

PART 4: GOD IS WITH US IN THE IMPOSSIBLE

INTRODUCTION

Immanuel means "God with us." During this time of the year, and all year long, we need to be reminded that God is truly with us, no matter what is going on in our lives or in the world around us.

KEY SCRIPTURE

Matthew 1:18-25

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Have you ever been caught between doing what God says and doing what makes sense in the moment? What do you do when you get caught there?
- 2. Put yourself in Joseph's shoes...you've just discovered that your fiancé is pregnant (Matthew 1:18). How would you respond?
- 3. Pastor Will taught that the angel told Joseph to not let his fears keep him from what God wants to do in his life. What is going on in your life right now that you don't fully understand and what fears are preventing you from experiencing what God may want to do in your life?
- 4. Read Matthew 1:22-23. If you believed that God is truly Immanuel...with you...right now, how would you respond to what you don't understand?
- 5. Pastor Will said, "Christmas reminds us that God is with us and He can be trusted." What step of trust will you make in the middle of the circumstance you don't fully understand?

MOVING FORWARD

Application Prayer: Lord, this Christmas I refuse to let my fear keep me from you. I commit to do the next right thing. I trust you as my forgiver and rescuer...in every area of life.