# Emmanuel – God with Us 12-24-2019

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this. Isaiah 9:2; 6-7

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Luke 2:1-7

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. Luke 2:8-19

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift." 2 Corinthians 9:15

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#### JESUS—THE WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

pele' (peh'-leh); beyond understanding, too wonderful for words.

ya`ats (yaw-ats'); to advise; to consult, to guide.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to <u>sympathize with our weaknesses</u>, but we have one who has been tempted in <u>every way</u>, just as we are-yet was without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with <u>confidence</u>, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. Hebrews 4:15-16

### • He came for those who were in need.

Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the <u>sick</u>. I have not come to call the righteous, but <u>sinners</u> to repentance." Luke 5:31-32

## Listen to the counselor's voice.

#### JESUS—MIGHTY GOD

"Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great <u>power</u> and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you. Jeremiah 32:17

- God is Omniscient.
- God is Omnipresent.
- God is Omnipotent.

#### • JESUS' POWER IS AT WORK IN YOU.

for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure. Philippians 2:13

#### • JESUS' POWER IS AT WORK FOR YOU.

He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint. Isaiah 40:29-31

## • JESUS' POWER IS AT WORK THROUGH YOU.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:8

#### JESUS—EVERLASTING FATHER

#### JESUS—THE PRINCE OF PEACE

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. John 14:27

But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" Mark 4:38-40