



Immanuel!

Date: December 21st, 2025

Text: Luke 2:13-20

Passage Summary: As we take time to marvel at the manger this Christmas season, comfort and joy begin to flow as we, like Mary, ponder the profound nature of it all in our hearts; _____, God _____ us!

“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”—which means, ‘God with us.’”

Matthew 1:23, cf Isaiah 7:14

180 Degree Truth #1: See that the comfort and joy that lie at the heart of Immanuel are the byproduct of a growing understanding of the _____ of God in the _____ of Christ! (2:13-20)

Application: Recognize that when it comes to the sovereignty of God in the birth of Christ, we see it with regard to...

- _____ the birth of Christ _____! (v.13-14)

See that through the birth of Christ, God reveals...

The reconciliatory work that lie at the heart of Immanuel; peace _____ God, peace _____ God! (v.13-14)

“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.’”

Luke 2:13-14

“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.”

Romans 5:1-2

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”

John 14:27

Remember: When it comes to the sovereignty of God, remember Immanuel, for comfort and joy begin to flow as we consider the newborn child is also the _____ of _____, sent from heaven to make a way for a sinful humanity to experience peace with God, and peace from God!

“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.”

Isaiah 9:6

“For this is what the high and lofty One says—he who lives forever, whose name is holy: ‘I live in a high and holy place, but also with him who is contrite and lowly in spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly and to revive the heart of the contrite.’”

Isaiah 57:15

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine this Christmas season that Immanuel will be the priceless _____ you choose to _____ daily; for the manger is real, and so are the comfort and joy that flow from it, for all those who believe in the Name of Jesus!

*“Hark! The herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born king
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled”*

Charles Wesley, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

“The prophetic message of Christmas is the good news of God’s answer to all the confusion, chaos, complexities, and conflicts of life. It is the gift of the newborn infant who is also the Father of all eternity. He is an innocent child, yet He is a wise Counselor and mighty King. He is God with us. Immanuel. Let Him be God with you.”

John MacArthur

“But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.”

Luke 2:19