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Jesus

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God came to us in a humble way in order that we would understand He is with us in a powerful way. His desire is for everyone to experience more of the fullness of His presence this Christmas. He is Immanuel, God with us.

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Matthew 1:18-25

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

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Matthew 1:18-25

²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: ²³ “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel” (which means, God with us). ²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

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He came to us in an incredibly humble way

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- No notoriety in his birth

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- No notoriety in his birth
- Gave up being recognized as God

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- His own genealogy

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- His own genealogy
 - Rahab
 - Sexual Immorality

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- His own genealogy
 - Rahab
 - **David**
 - **Misuse of power**

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He came to us in an incredibly humble way

- His own genealogy
 - Rahab
 - David
 - **Judah**
 - **Sold his own brother into slavery**

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He came to us in an incredibly humble way

- His own genealogy
 - Rahab
 - David
 - Judah
 - **Ahaz**
 - **Idol worship / child sacrifice**

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- His own genealogy
 - Rahab
 - David
 - Judah
 - Ahaz
 - **Joash**
 - **Murdered his own chief priest and the chief priest's son**

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He came to us in an incredibly humble way

- His own ministry
 - **Woman at the well**

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- His own ministry
 - Woman at the well
 - **Woman who pours perfume on Jesus' feet**

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- His own ministry
 - Woman at the well
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 - **Thief on the cross**

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He came to us in an incredibly humble way

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 - Woman at the well
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 - Thief on the cross
 - **Rich young ruler**

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Immanuel – God with us

There is absolutely no one abandoned by the presence of God.

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He's with us in an incredibly powerful way

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The Holy Spirit – God with us

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John 16:7-14

⁶ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹ concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ **When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.** ¹⁴ He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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He's with us in an incredibly powerful way

- The Holy Spirit – God with us
 - The very heart, mind, and presence of Christ.

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- The Holy Spirit – God with us
 - The very heart, mind, and presence of Christ.
 - **Never alone**

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- The Holy Spirit – God with us
 - The very heart, mind, and presence of Christ.
 - Never alone
 - **No limits to His love for us**

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Exodus 34:6

⁶ The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, 'The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.'

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Immanuel – God with us

**God's perfect love is always available through the Holy Spirit.
You are NEVER alone.**

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His presence leads to a fuller experience of...

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His presence leads to a fuller experience of...

- **His own love for us**

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Romans 8:38-39

³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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His presence leads to a fuller experience of...

- His own love for us
- **Relationships filled with love and unity**

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John 13:35

³⁵ By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

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His presence leads to a fuller experience of...

- His own love for us
- Relationships filled with love and unity
- **Joy**

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Psalm 16:11

11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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Immanuel – God with us

When we experience the power of his humble presence, we humbly return to him in powerful worship. That's RCC's hope for Christmas.

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Christmas Takeaways

- Immanuel – the gift that keeps on giving

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- **Read Matthew 1 or Luke 2 this Christmas morning**

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- **Commit to seeking more of the fullness of his presence in 2024**

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Immanuel Lyrics

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