



GOD WITH US!

Christmas is a season of hope and joy that reminds us of the greatest gift ever given. It is a story that reflects the extent of God's love to step into our mess and extend his grace.

MATTHEW 1:1-23

DISCUSS

- Christmas family photos are an adventurous pursuit to capture that one perfect snapshot. What fun Christmas Family photo story do you have?
- The genealogy that Matthew records in [Matthew 1:1-17](#) is a snapshot that reveals God's loving plan to redeem humanity. What insights surface as you process Jesus' family tree? What questions do you have?
- Matthew reveals two incredible characteristics about Joseph. 1) His desire to honor God and pursue the Law. 2) His heart to extend grace to Mary. What is challenging in keeping both of these characteristics in focus in your daily life?
- Matthew highlights two very specific names: Jesus: Yahweh Saves; Immanuel: God with Us. How do those names shape your perspective of Jesus and impact your faith journey?

PRAY

Spend a few moments listening to what God says to you this Christmas season. Focus on the amazing reality that he is "God with Us!"