

EMMANUEL GOD WITH US

Matthew 1:23 ESV

“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel” (which means, God with us).

From the beginning of time, God has us in mind.

There is nothing that can surprise God or catch him off guard.

He knew all that we would experience, the ups and downs , peaks and valleys of life.

He knew we would be born into a wicked, twisted and perverted system.

He knew we would need something special, something incredible, something like no other so what did he do.

He sent his only begotten son, to save a world of whom many would reject his existence and power.

Isaiah 9:6 ESV

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

From the moment Jesus was born he was on an assignment and he has never failed us.

Many of us walked in to 2020 believing that God would give us 2020 vision and we would see clearer than ever before and things would be revealed that hadn't been revealed.

Well I 100% believe we did see things clearer,

What we saw was that in a unpredictable world we serve a God who remains the same.

We saw that when friends turned God stuck closer than a brother,

We saw when folks bought up all the toilet paper in the world God was a provider.

When we lost loved ones Immanuel the Son of God was always with us.

1. God is faithful in providing for you

“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:19).

2. God is faithful to uplift and encourage you

Isaiah 46:4 “Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.”

3. God is faithful in comforting you

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted” (Matthew 5:4).

4. God is faithful in strengthening you

“But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me” (2 Corinthians 12:9).

5. God is faithful in sending community of support

“...not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching” (Hebrews 10:25).

And lastly God is with us in every stage of life.

**“Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
Isaiah 43:1-3 ESV**