



The Name Above All Names—Part 2 & Preview  
Immanuel, King, & Christ the Lord  
From sermon 12.11.22

Read *Philippians 2:9-11, Isaiah 7:14 & Matthew 1:23*

Overview from Sunday's sermon: Combining the Philippians promise and the Gospel accounts regarding Christmas, we arrive at the Name Immanuel. Isaiah prophesied that, not only would the Messiah be born of a virgin, but He will be God. That did not mean He wouldn't also be fully man. A very profound doctrine and reality. Christmas celebrates God's love and grace as He is with us again.

1. The formal name *Jesus* points to His work/mission/purpose

1a. What does *Immanuel* reveal? His very Nature = God = Deity. A unique new location—dwelling among man, again, physically.

2. What is so special and gracious about Christ coming to earth to dwell among man, yet again? He has not been very welcomed in past visits and appearances. Each and every occasion of God dwelling & fellowshiping *with us* ended with man rejecting God's presence.

2a. Give some examples: Adam and Eve, Israel's disobedience and faithlessness in the desert wandering, Israel's rejecting of the Law = removal of God's presence in the temple, judgment, and no Word for 400 years. Her persecution and rejection of the prophets.

3. If we were to read further (past the Christmas accounts) what should we expect from the Gospel account of God with Us—as Jesus grew up and fulfilled His earthly ministry—based on the past pattern? Further rejection resulting in His crucifixion.

4. Why does man routinely reject Immanuel in all forms? God is light. Men hate the light because it exposes sin, brings shame and guilt, and promises judgment. See *John 3:19-21*

For the Future Sermons: Read *Isaiah 9:6-7*

5. Here, we clearly see Jesus in the role as King.

5a. In our last series, we covered the requirement that this King had to come from the tribe of Judah and the line of David.

5b. Jesus is clearly not just the promised King of Israel, but (one day) of all nations.

5c. Truth to Consider: Man desires a king (problem fixer/battle fighter) but does not want the accountability. This King received praises on Palm Sunday. They called for His death by Wednesday.

6. Jesus also bears the title/description of Christ the Lord. What does this mean? He is the promised Messiah (Christ = Anointed One and deliverer). Lord is, literally, master. It is the New Testament equivalent of Yahweh.