

God with Us

"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel' (which means "God with us")." Matthew 1:22

The hope of Christmas is that, in Jesus, God came down to us. He moved into our neighborhood with all its pain, sorrow, shame and sin. The One who created the universe, who made each one of us, became one of us.

I remember a time in my life where I/it felt like God had abandoned me. My faith was shaken by some difficult trials and I did not feel like God was hearing my prayers or helping. It seemed to me like answered prayer was a just a roll of the dice and God felt distant. Eventually, the situation turned around and when I was on the other side of it I was able to see that God had truly been right there with me, in the middle of the storm. I just couldn't see Him at the time because the suffering clouded my view of God. Looking back, I saw much good that came out of having to go through a very trying time.

Even Jesus, in his darkest moment, questioned God asking, "Why have you forsaken Me?" His Father was right there with Him. And in our darkest moment when we feel forgotten by our Father, He is right here with us working everything out for us. God with us. Immanuel. Hold on, my friends. He is still with you.

2020 has been a very difficult year for many. Whatever you are going through and however you are feeling this Christmas season, remember, you are not alone. Immanuel is with us.

We wish you all a very Merry and Blessed Christmas!



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