



Immanuel – Yeshua – Jesus - God Among Us

“I accept whatever He has for me”

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John 1 ¹ In the beginning the Living Expression was already there. And the Living Expression was with God, yet fully God. ² They were together—*face-to-face*, in the very beginning. ³ And through his creative inspiration this Living Expression made all things, for nothing has existence apart from him! ⁴ A *fountain of life* was in him, for his life is light for all humanity. ⁵ And this Light never fails to shine through darkness—Light that darkness could not overcome! ¹⁴ And so the Living Expression became a man and lived among us! We gazed upon his glory, the glory of the One and Only who came from the Father overflowing with tender mercy and truth! TPT

Isaiah 7 ¹⁴ The Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold – the virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and will name him God Among Us. TPT

Matthew 1 ²¹ She will give birth to a son and you are to name him ‘Savior,’ for he is destined to *give his life* to save his people from their sins.” TPT

God Became One of Us - Immanuel is the partnership of heaven and earth. God + Humanity

Isaiah 9 ⁶ For to us a Child shall be born, to us a Son shall be given; And the government shall be upon His shoulder, And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ There shall be no end to the increase of His government and of peace, [He shall rule] on the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From that time forward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this. AMP

His authority will continually expand. (Empire, Governmental Authority, Dominion)

Micah 5 ² But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, too little to be among the clans of Judah; From you One shall come forth for Me [who is] to be Ruler in Israel, His goings forth (appearances) are from long ago, From ancient days.” AMP

Acts 3 ¹⁹ And now you must repent and turn back to God so that your sins will be removed, and so that times of refreshing will stream from the Lord’s presence. ²⁰ And he will send you Jesus, the Messiah, the appointed one. ²¹ For he must remain in heaven until the restoration of all things has taken place, *fulfilling everything that God said* long ago through his holy prophets. TPT

Luke 1 ⁵ During the reign of King Herod, there was a Jewish priest named Zechariah who served in the temple... His wife, Elizabeth, was also from a family of priests... ⁶ They were both righteous before God, living virtuously and following the commandments of the Lord blamelessly. ⁷ But they were childless since Elizabeth was barren, and now they both were quite old. ⁸⁻⁹ Zechariah’s priestly order was on duty and he was serving as priest... ¹¹ ...an angel of the Lord appeared to him... ¹² Zechariah was startled and overwhelmed with fear. ¹³ But the angel reassured him, saying, “Don’t be afraid, Zechariah! *God is showing grace to you*. For I have come to tell you that your prayer for a child has been answered. ...Elizabeth, will bear you a son and you are to name him John. ¹⁷ He will go before the Lord as a forerunner, with the same power and anointing as Elijah the prophet...” ¹⁸ Zechariah asked, “How do you expect me to believe this? I’m an old man and my wife is too old to give me a child. *What sign can you give me to prove this will happen?*” ¹⁹ the angel said, “I am Gabriel. I stand beside God himself. He has sent me to announce to you this good news. ²⁰ But now, since you did not believe my words, you will be stricken silent and unable to speak until the day my words have been fulfilled at their appointed time and a child is born to you. That will be your sign!” ²³ He remained mute as he finished his days of priestly ministry in the temple and then went back to his own home. ²⁴ ...

Elizabeth, became pregnant...²⁵ ...she exclaimed, "See how kind it is of God to gaze upon me and take away the disgrace of my barrenness!"²⁶⁻²⁷ ...Mary was engaged to a man named Joseph, a true descendant of King David.²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Rejoice, beloved young woman, for the Lord is with you and you are *anointed* with great favor."²⁹ Mary was deeply troubled over the words of the angel and bewildered over what this may mean for her.³⁰ But the angel reassured her, "Do not yield to your fear, Mary, for the Lord has found delight in you and has chosen to surprise you with a wonderful gift."³¹ You will become pregnant with a baby boy, and you are to name him Jesus...³⁴ Mary said, "But how could this happen? I am still a virgin!"³⁵ Gabriel answered, "The Spirit of Holiness will fall upon you and almighty God will spread his shadow of power over you in a cloud of glory! This is why the child born to you will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God."³⁷ Not one promise from God is empty of power. Nothing is impossible with God!"³⁸ **Then Mary responded, saying, "Yes! I will be a mother for the Lord! As his servant, I accept whatever he has for me. May everything you have told me come to pass."**³⁹ ...Mary arose and hurried off, to where Zechariah and Elizabeth lived.⁴⁰ ...Mary entered the house and greeted Elizabeth.⁴¹ At the moment her aunt heard Mary's voice, the baby within Elizabeth's womb jumped and kicked. And suddenly, Elizabeth was filled to overflowing with the Holy Spirit!⁴⁴ The moment you came in the door and greeted me, my baby danced inside me with joy!⁴⁵ Great favor rests upon you, for you have believed every word spoken to you from the Lord."⁵⁷ When Elizabeth's pregnancy was full term, she gave birth to a son.⁵⁹ When the baby was eight days old, all the family and friends came together for the circumcision ceremony. Everyone assumed that the parents would name the baby Zechariah, after his father,⁶⁰ but Elizabeth spoke up and said, "No, his name is John!"⁶¹ "What?" they exclaimed. "No one in your family line has that name!"⁶² So they gestured to the baby's father to ask what to name the child.⁶³ He motioned for a writing tablet, and he wrote, "His name is John."⁶⁴ Instantly Zechariah could speak again. And his first words were praises to the Lord.⁶⁵ The fear of God fell on the people of their village, and the news of this astounding event traveled throughout the hill country of Judea. Everyone was in awe over it!⁶⁷ Then Zechariah was filled to overflowing with the Holy Spirit and he prophesied,⁷⁶ And to you I prophesy, my little son, you will be known as the prophet of the Most High. You will be a forerunner, going before the face of Lord Yahweh, to prepare hearts to embrace his ways.⁷⁷ You will preach to his people the revelation of salvation, the cancellation of all our sins, *to bring us back to God*.⁷⁸ The splendor-light of heaven's glorious sunrise is about to break upon us in holy visitation, all because the merciful heart of our God is so very tender.⁷⁹ The word from heaven will come to us with dazzling light to shine upon those who live in darkness, near death's dark shadow. And he will illuminate the path that leads to the way of peace."^{2:1-2} ...Caesar Augustus, ordered that the first census be taken throughout his empire.⁴⁻⁵ So Joseph and Mary, left Nazareth, and journeyed to Bethlehem,⁶⁻⁷ When they arrived in Bethlehem, Mary went into labor, and there she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped the newborn baby in strips of cloth, and Mary and Joseph laid him in a feeding trough since there was no available space in any upper room in the village.⁸ That night, shepherds were watching over their flocks.⁹ Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared in radiant splendor before them, lighting up the field with the blazing glory of God, and the shepherds were terrified!¹⁰ But the angel reassured them, "Don't be afraid, for I have come to bring you good news, the most joyous news the world has ever heard! And it is for everyone everywhere!"¹¹ For today in Bethlehem a rescuer was born for you. He is the Lord Yahweh, the Messiah.¹² You will recognize him by this miraculous sign: You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in the feeding trough¹³ Then all at once *in the night sky*, a vast number of glorious angels appeared, the very armies of heaven! And they all praised God, singing:¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest realms of heaven! For there is peace and a good hope given to the sons of men."¹⁵ the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go! Let's hurry and find this Word who is born in Bethlehem and see for ourselves what the Lord has revealed to us."¹⁶ So they hurried off and found their way to Mary and Joseph. And there was the baby, lying in a feeding trough.²⁰ The shepherds returned to their flock... They praised God and glorified him for all they had heard and seen for themselves, just like the angel had said.²¹ On the day of the baby's circumcision ceremony, eight days after his birth, his parents gave him the name Jesus, the name prophesied by the angel before he was born.⁴⁰ The child grew more powerful in grace, for he was being filled with wisdom, and the favor of God was upon him. TPT