

Focusing On Jesus

A Devotional Guide for the Christmas Season

“They will call Him Immanuel-- which means, ‘God with us.’”

The celebration of Christmas is all about Jesus. During this season of rejoicing in the birth of our Savior we want to intentionally draw closer to Jesus. Each day this week, make time by yourself and with your family to be discipled by Jesus. The focus of this weeks devotional guide is the question that Jesus might ask us:

“Who do you say that I am?”

The scripture passages given for each day will help us understand not just the various names of Jesus but how we can worship Him this Christmas. Remember, don't rush through this but enjoy being in the presence of Jesus, especially as you spend time with your family or friends.

Monday - Jesus, Our Emmanuel – God with Us

Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:22-23, & John 1:14

Love came down in the person of Jesus and is with you today. He will never leave you nor forsake you.

- Tell Him how you know this and how you have experienced his presence and closeness this week.
- When do you sense His presence most?
- Tell of a time when you knew He was near to you. Say this out loud to Jesus and to someone else.

Tuesday – Jesus, our Wonderful Counselor

Isaiah 9:6 & John 14:15-17

Life is full of questions and confusing situations that require wisdom.

- Where has life been difficult for you?
- When have you needed someone to guide you?
- Tell Jesus how he has been your counselor and helper.
- Tell of a time when he helped you. Was it through another person, his Word, his Spirit, a song?

Wednesday – Jesus, our Mighty God

Isaiah 9:6, Jeremiah 32:17, 2 Corinthians 12:9, Philippians 4:12-13

Talk about how God's mighty power is evident to you.

- Where have you needed the mighty power of God in your life?
- Tell the Lord why He is your Mighty God.
- Praise Him for how He has shown His power to you and how He has specifically been your strength.

Thursday – Jesus, our Everlasting Father

Isaiah 9:6, Psalm 90:2 & John 3:16

Share about what qualities make a good father.

- How do you see these characteristics displayed in Jesus?
- What does it mean to you that He is your everlasting Father?
- Express to Jesus your praise for His everlasting love.

Friday – Jesus, our Prince of Peace

Isaiah 9:6, John 14:27 & Philippians 4:6-7

Share a time when you were anxious and needed peace.

- How did you deal with your stress or anxiety?
- What does it mean to you that Jesus is your peace?
- Tell Jesus you need His peace in your life today.

Saturday – Take time with others today and share who Jesus is to you and what you have learned about him in your time with him this week.

“He shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.”