Worship with us in the Word

Enjoying His Christmas Presence Immanuel – His present is His presence! Matthew 1:18-25 Pastor Jack Austin 12/5/2021

Immanuel – God with us

- A big mistake in thinking about God: we all <u>underestimate</u> Him.
- He is 'God Most High' AND 'God Most <u>Nigh</u>'

Joseph's Instructions

- Regarding <u>Mary</u>
- Regarding the <u>child</u>
- Regarding the <u>name</u>
- Reminded of the prophecy.

The Son of God's downsizing

- Galatians 4:4-7; Philippians 2:6-8
- Limited by <u>time</u>, <u>space</u>, and <u>position</u>
- 2 Cor. 5:21 the great exchange: our sin and His righteousness

God's purpose

- Practical reality the greatest experiences are <u>shared</u> experiences.
- Permanent restoration Rev.21:3 what was lost in <u>Eden</u> is restored for <u>eternity</u>.

Your response

- Are you a follower of Christ rather than a celebrant of His birth at Christmas?
- Are you trying to be happy without a sense of Christ's presence? That's not what He intended.