



## *God with us (part 1)*

Isaiah 7:1-16, Matthew 1:22-23

### *Sermon Questions*

1. Pray
2. Read Isaiah 7:1-16 and Matthew 1:22-23
3. Has there ever been a time when you have observed the celebration of Christmas and felt like “that is too much”? What contributed to your thought process in making that determination?
4. We are very familiar with the prophecy in Isaiah 7:14. Have you ever studied this passage to see its Old Testament context? In what ways does knowing its Old Testament context help us to understand the significance of Jesus’ birth?
5. The enemy armies caused the nation of Judah to have their “hearts shake like trees.” What causes your heart to fear? How would “placing that fear on the timeline” help you in quieting that fear?
6. The birth of Jesus to the virgin Mary is THE sign that Jesus is not just an ordinary man, but God Himself who will deliver us from our sins. How does the virgin birth help accomplish this (remember the reasons for the virgin birth we talked about in this morning’s message)?
7. Since Jesus is God, it changes everything. What does it change for you?
8. What is one particular application you took away from this passage/ message?