

LESSON 1: HE WAS BORN TO BE GOD WITH US

Biblical Passages: Isaiah 7:14–16; Matthew 1:21b-23

Memory Verse: Galatians 4:4

But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law.

1. God _____ to send His Son to be God with us (Isaiah 7:14-16).
2. God announced the _____ of this promise through the birth of His Son (Matthew 1:21b-23).

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Share with the group about a time in your life when you saw evidence of God's plan for you. How did that make you feel?
 - God's plan to send Jesus to this earth was put into motion before Creation. God always knew that Jesus was the only way to redeem humanity. What are some of the amazing benefits for us brought about by Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection?
 - Even with all the prophecy in Scripture that Jesus fulfilled, why do you think that some people fail to believe that Jesus is God's Son, sent from Him to show us the way to eternal life?
 - How can you express your thanks to God for His plan to send Christ into this world?
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HE WOULD BE . . .

Read Isaiah 7:14-16 and list all the information you can find there about the One who was to come:

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT . . .

"Immanuel, God with us in our nature, in our sorrow, in our lifework, in our punishment, in our grave, and now with us, or rather we with Him, in resurrection, ascension, triumph, and Second Advent splendor."—*Charles H. Spurgeon*