

LOOKING TO JESUS: Jesus is Present

Passage: Matthew 1:18-23
Life Group Guide | Sunday, Dec. 12, 2021

Review the Group Guidelines.

The sermon's big idea is: *We are never alone.* How do you relate to this statement and the reality of Jesus' presence in your life? Is this easy or challenging for you to trust?

Read Matthew 1:18-23.

"Immanuel" means "God with us." Pastor Mike contrasted Moses' experience with God appearing in a burning bush to Jesus appearing in human form as a baby. How do you find God "showing up" in your life?

Pastor Mike said of God's presence, "Trust it's true even when we don't see it." Describe a time when you been especially aware of God's presence. What was that like? Then describe a time when you really felt alone. What differences did you notice about that time?

On a daily basis, what evidence do you see of God's presence in your life?

What is something you want to continue to reflect on, pray over, change, or begin to practice this week as a result of this teaching?

Pray together. Re-read Matthew 1:18-23.