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# Emmanuel

From God speaking to the prophet Jeremiah to the story of Jesus' birth from Joseph's point of view, in this series the students will discover that God shows us his never-ending love through Jesus.

## BIG IDEA

Jesus is God with us.

## KEY VERSES

All of this occurred to fulfill the Lord's message through his prophet: "Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means 'God is with us.'"

*Matthew 1:22-23 (NLT)*

## 1 | Hangout

### SUPPLIES

- None

### INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Discuss:
  - What do you think it would be like to see God if he was with you physically?
  - Where would you go or not go with God?
  - What would you be aware of with God physically present? What might you worry about less? Why?



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## 2 | Hear

### SUPPLIES

- Bibles

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Make sure everyone has a Bible. Share them if needed.
- Look up and read John 14:15–21, 26–27. If you have a mature group, read all the way through John 14:15–29.
- Discuss:
  - Jesus was literally God physically present with the disciples. What did Jesus promise them in this passage?
  - What role does the Holy Spirit have in our lives today? According to the passage, what does the Holy Spirit do?
  - How often do you forget that God is always with you?
  - Does anything or anyone help you remember God's presence? Who or how?

## 3 | Huddle

### SUPPLIES

- None

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Explain that there are times when we need to be reminded of God's presence so that we're not anxious or afraid. At other times, we need to be reminded of God's presence so that we make the best decisions. Knowing that God's always there helps us when we're tempted to do things that aren't the best for us.
- Discuss:
  - In the past month, when did you need to be reminded that God was with you? In the month to come, when do you think you'll need to be reminded of God's presence?
  - When are you afraid or anxious and need reminders that God is with you?
  - In which situations do you need to be reminded so that you're rescued from making poor choices?
- Pray together about what the students have shared and discussed.
- Remind your group that **Jesus is God with us!**