

Jesus is Immanuel

Family Worship Response

Elementary

Purpose: Names for Jesus—they're descriptions that teach us about Him. We learn that He is our Counselor, the One who guides us through life. We're reminded that He is mighty. No problem is too great for Him. He's also the Everlasting Father. We are His kids—His family! He will never leave us. He is the Prince of Peace. He teaches us how to have peace with ourselves, in our communities, and in our world.

Supplies for Activity:

- Letters (4 boxes)
- Resealable bags (4, gallon-size)
- Permanent marker

- Number the bags one through four, writing a number on each bag with permanent marker.
- Each bag will be filled with letters spelling out one of the names of God from
- Sort through the letters to find those needed for each name and place them in the corresponding bag number.
 - o Bag one: Wonderful Counselor.
 - o Bag two: Mighty God.
 - o Bag three: Everlasting Father.
 - o Bag four: Prince of Peace.
 - Hide each bag in a different location around the room.

Activity:

- We have hidden four bags around the room. Each bag is filled with letters that spell out one of the names of Jesus.
- The leader of your group will search the room to find the bag. (Cheer your leaders on while they search!)
- Once your leader finds your bag and brings it to your group, work together to figure out the name all the letters spell out.
- As a team, put the letters in the correct order and then call out the name loudly when you are done arranging the letters.

Family Discussion

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God Statement: Jesus is Immanuel

Family Memory Verse: Isaiah 9:6, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Bible Lesson: Isaiah 7:14; 9:1-7; Luke 1:1-4, 26-56

Discussion Questions:

1. What do you think it would have been like to be a prophet? Why do you think Isaiah was so eager to be a prophet? Read Isaiah 6:8
2. Would you have been as eager as Isaiah? Why or why not?
3. -How do you think you would have felt if you'd been in Mary's position? Read Luke 1:29
4. Does anything stand out to you in Mary's song? Can you relate to her words? Read Luke 1:46-55
5. How does it make you feel to know God kept His promise to send His Son to be with us?
6. Why do you think it matters that God brought Jesus into the world just like He said He would?

Blessing: May you know that your Heavenly Father loves you.

May you go out this week with peace. May you know that Jesus is Immanuel—God with us.