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Immanuel: God with Us
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Isa. 7:14, “Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.”

1. The Virgin

2. The miracle of creation

Gen. 1:1, “In the beginning

God created [*bara*]

the heavens and the earth.”

“Merism, ladies and gentlemen, often looks like antithesis, but it’s different. Merism is when you don’t say what you’re talking about, and instead name all of its parts. Ladies and gentlemen, for example, is a merism for people, because all people are either ladies or gentlemen. The beauty of merism is that it’s absolutely unnecessary. It’s words for words’ sake: a gushing torrent of invention filled with noun and noun signifying nothing.”

~Mark Forsyth, *The Elements of Eloquence: How to Turn the Perfect English Phrase*. Icon Books, 2013

Col. 1:16, “For by means of Him [Jesus Christ] all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

Col. 1:17, “And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.”

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“she conceived and bore ...”

Heb. 10:5, “Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: ‘*Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, but a body You have prepared for Me.*’ ” [Psa. 40:6–8]

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“she conceived and bore a Son.”

3. “... a Son.”

Psa. 2:6, “Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion.

Psa. 2:7, “I will declare the decree: The LORD has said to Me, ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.’ ”

2 Sam. 7:14, “I will be his Father, and he shall be My son.”

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Isa. 9:6, “For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given;”

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- 2. The miracle of creation
“she conceived and bore a Son.”**
- 3. “... a Son.”**
- 4. “And they shall call His name Immanuel.”**

John 1:18, “No one has ever seen God. The One and Only Son—the One who is at the Father’s side—He has revealed Him.”

John 1:1, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:2, “He was in the beginning with God.

John 1:3, “All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.”

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