

# DISCOVERING CHRIST



# IN THE GOSPELS

Title : Immanuel, The God of Miracles is with Us

Date: December 19, 2021

**WORSHIP:** Sing one or two songs (either from You Tube, or someone leading worship). If you're in a public place, café or on video messaging, three to four people can share testimonies of answered prayers.

**Q:** What are you thankful to God about this past week?

## Main Text: John 1:1,14

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*"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." John 1:1 NKJV*

*"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14 NKJV*

**Quote:** "He became human and dwelt among us and the people during His ministry, death, resurrection and ascension, especially His disciples beheld his love for humanity and the greatness of His power."

## Leader's Notes:

1. Start and end on time.
2. Facilitate discussions.
3. Give all attendees opportunities to share. Encourage participation.
4. Remind everyone that whatever shared in the group will be kept within the group.
5. Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit if there's someone who you can lead to receive Jesus as Lord and Savior and be born again.

## WORK: The Challenge & Closing prayer

**Q:** How can we pray for you today?

**Q:** Who among your loved ones or friends you think need an encounter with Jesus today? Can you list at least five names?

Please take time in your smaller groups to pray for one another as well as pray for the names of people on your list. If there are specific needs, take time to lift them up to God in prayer as well.

## WELCOME:

**Intro:**

### Ice Breaker:

What miracle do you need from Jesus/God today? Or what miracle does someone you know need from God today?

Who do you want to ask God for a miracle to happen in his/her life?

How desperate are you to claim that miracle (for yourself, for someone else)?

## WORD & Discussion Questions:

### Three things we can learn when Jesus Heals an Official's Son

**1. Come to Jesus, no matter what need, no matter what hopeless situation we find ourselves in.** Read vv.46-47

Faith arose in his heart at the news of what He did in Jerusalem, so he traveled 20 miles from Capernaum to Cana to see Jesus. This nobleman, of royal lineage, swallowed his pride and in desperation threw himself at the feet of a Jewish carpenter. The Nobleman was literally begging Jesus to come to his house in Capernaum, for Jesus to heal his son!

Out of desperation, he didn't care anymore about his reputation, he begged Jesus to heal his son. The love for his son brought him to his knees and begged for mercy.

**Q: Have you ever begged God for a miracle to happen in your life?**

**2. Come to Jesus, pray and never give up because a miracle is waiting for you.** Read vv.48-50

Jesus was not questioning the nobleman's motives, or that He wasn't concerned at the desperate condition of the father and his son. The truth is, Jesus was more than willing to serve those who need His help for a miracle.

**Q: How many of us give up on God right away?**

**Q: How long do we wait for God to answer before we give up on trusting the Lord?**

**3. Trust in Jesus because He will fulfill His Word/promises!**

Read vv.51-53

Along the way home, the father was met by some of his servants, they told him that his son is now well. He asked them when the boy had begun to get better, and they replied, "Yesterday afternoon at one o'clock his fever suddenly disappeared!" Then the father realized that that was the very time Jesus had told him, "Your son will live. They confirmed as well that the boy became well at precisely the time Jesus spoke that the boy will live.

**Q: Would you be able to relate a time when instead of trusting in God's promises, you doubted Him?**

## Conclusion:

Jesus was the name given to the Word of God when He became human because He came to save us. God is our salvation, is the meaning of the name JESUS. He is the Word of God, the expression of God's thoughts and feelings, Who, when God spoke, mobilized the Holy Spirit to create everything God intended to create.

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