

## Life Group Questions (Simple Christmas - Week 3 - Matthew 1:18-25)

- 1. Read Matthew 1:18-25 together. Think about Sunday's message. What stood out to you from what Pastor Andrew said? What guestions came to mind?
- 2. 3 names/titles are given to Jesus in this passage: Jesus (vs. 21), Christ (vs. 18) and Immanuel (vs. 23). Talk about what each of these names mean and the significance of them.
- 3. Immanuel means "God with us". Have you ever considered that God is with you? Read Matthew 28:20, 1 Corinthians 3:16, John 14:16-17. If the God of the universe is with you always, how would that change the way you live?
- 4. How do you usually respond when life throws you a curveball? Is your gut reaction to panic? Breakdown? Try to solve it? Turn to God?
- 5. What can we learn from Joseph's response to his major life-altering event? How did he respond?
- 6. On Sunday, Pastor Andrew said one of the things we do when life throws us curveballs is to "do the next right thing". Does this seem over simplistic? Why or why not?
- 7. What are some examples of "doing the next right thing"? Have you had to do this when you have gone through difficulty and trial?