

Immanuel: God With Us - Ed Baker

Icebreaker:

- 1. Have you ever re-gifted a present? If so, what was it?
- 2. What is your favorite Christmas movie?

Summary:

Though celebrating an event that happened 2,000 years ago, the coming of Immanuel means that God is with us today.

Engage the Bible:

• Matthew 1:18-25

Small Group Questions:

- With whom do you most easily identify in the Christmas narrative?
- Describe a time in your life when Jesus, Immanuel, felt/ seemed closest to you.
- Was there a time in your life when God seemed far away? Why do you think that was?
- Are there things in your life that you are able to do (or that you have heard about other people doing) that seem to bring God closer?
- Imagine being there to witness the Scape Goat ceremony in the Old Testament. What would that experience have been like for you?