

## Jesus is Immanuel

Selected Scriptures

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### I. Something Greater than the Temple (cf. Mt 12:6)

### II. Review

Jesus is Immanuel. He is both *God* with us – God Himself in human flesh – and God *with us* – with us sinful, corrupt, misguided, rebellious humans. The name “God with us” points us both to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus and to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.

### III. The Temple Among Us

#### A. The Forgiveness of Sins (Mk 2:1-12)

The Pharisees ask, “*Who can forgive sins but God alone?*” That which this man is presuming to do is blasphemous; he does not have \_\_\_\_\_ to forgive sins.

According to the OT, the authority to declare forgiveness of sins rested with the \_\_\_\_\_ in the context of the Temple. By claiming authority to forgive sins, Jesus is announcing that the Temple is \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus Himself is the \_\_\_\_\_.

#### B. The Word Made Flesh (Jn 1:14)

“*The Word became flesh and dwelt (literally, \_\_\_\_\_) among us.*” John 1:14

C. Angels Ascending and Descending (Jn 1:51 cf. Gen 28:12)

D. Destroy This Temple (Jn 2:13-22)

But here is the ironic twist – in destroying Jesus, the leaders of Jerusalem were destroying not only Him, not only the Temple of His body, but they were destroying the Herodian Temple as well – though they didn't realize it. They thought that by destroying Jesus they were protecting the \_\_\_\_\_ but just the opposite was the case.

**IV. Application**

A. Salvation in Jesus Alone (Acts 4:8-12)

B. Access to Eden through Jesus Alone (Jn 7:37; Rev 2:7, 11, 17, 26)

**V. Conclusion**