

## WHO IS THE MAN EMMANUEL

Who is this man whose name is Emmanuel?

Mt 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name EMMANUEL, which being interpreted is "GOD WITH US". In other words God is going to dwell with mankind in the form of a man.

Jesus was not begotten by the seed of man. God's Holy Spirit dwelt in a body of flesh, in the form of man. That is how he could say, "my Father and I are one".

Jn 1:1 ¶ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 The same was in the beginning with God (as God's spirit).

3 All things were made by him; and without him (God) was not anything made that was made.

4 In him was life; and the life (holy spirit) was the light of men.

Even though God's spirit was thinking for the body of flesh, it (the body) also had a human "spirit" of man as well.

1Co 2:11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

In other words Jesus could not know the thoughts of God with his own "natural" human spirit.

1Co 2:13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

1Co 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Jesus, the flesh, experienced the same seven senses and pain as the physical man, he got hungry, sleepy, tired just as we humans also do. He showed the weakness of the flesh when he, "the spirit in man" cried out for help from time to time to the Greater power that he called "Father".

However, the dominate spirit in his mind was God, who drove onward toward the goal of having a family, knowing Jesus after his resurrection would be his "first born of many brethren".

Just as Eve was in Adam, as his rib, Jesus was in God (in spirit) before he materialized as a body of flesh. In plainer English, the flesh body we call Jesus, was born with the same knowledge, power and righteous attitude as God the Father. He brought a message to the world, that would give life eternal, but they rejected God's message, as most of the world does today. His fleshly body was predestined to become the sacrificial Lamb, offered up to usher in the age of Grace, (doing away of the eternal death penalty that the world was under from the time of Adam) to those who would surrender their lives to Him. After their physical death and resurrection, there will be "many brethren" born again into God's family.

Jesus admitted he had no power of his own, that the Father in him did the work and he spoke the words that he had learned from the Father.

Joh 3:11 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.

Joh 3:31 He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.

Joh 3:34 For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.

Joh 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they

are spirit, and they are life.

Joh 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. What is so very amazing is, in spite of our faults, He loves us just as a good father loves his unborn child!

God can not appear to mankind in His full power due to our present weaknesses. We would be instantly consumed. In comparison, we are as little ants, trying to understand humans.

God is a magnificently beautiful, powerful, eternal energy, with an unimaginable attitude of love and emotions, not possible for humans to comprehend. Yet He has tried, and continues to try, communicating to us through His written and preserved Word.

This is part of the study "A CLOSER LOOK AT...GOD". Since I am only human and limited by the weakness of flesh I cannot imagine how God does all of this but I am reminded that "nothing is impossible to God!" If you have read this without reading the study "God Is" you can know even more about our Creator by taking a look at it, too.