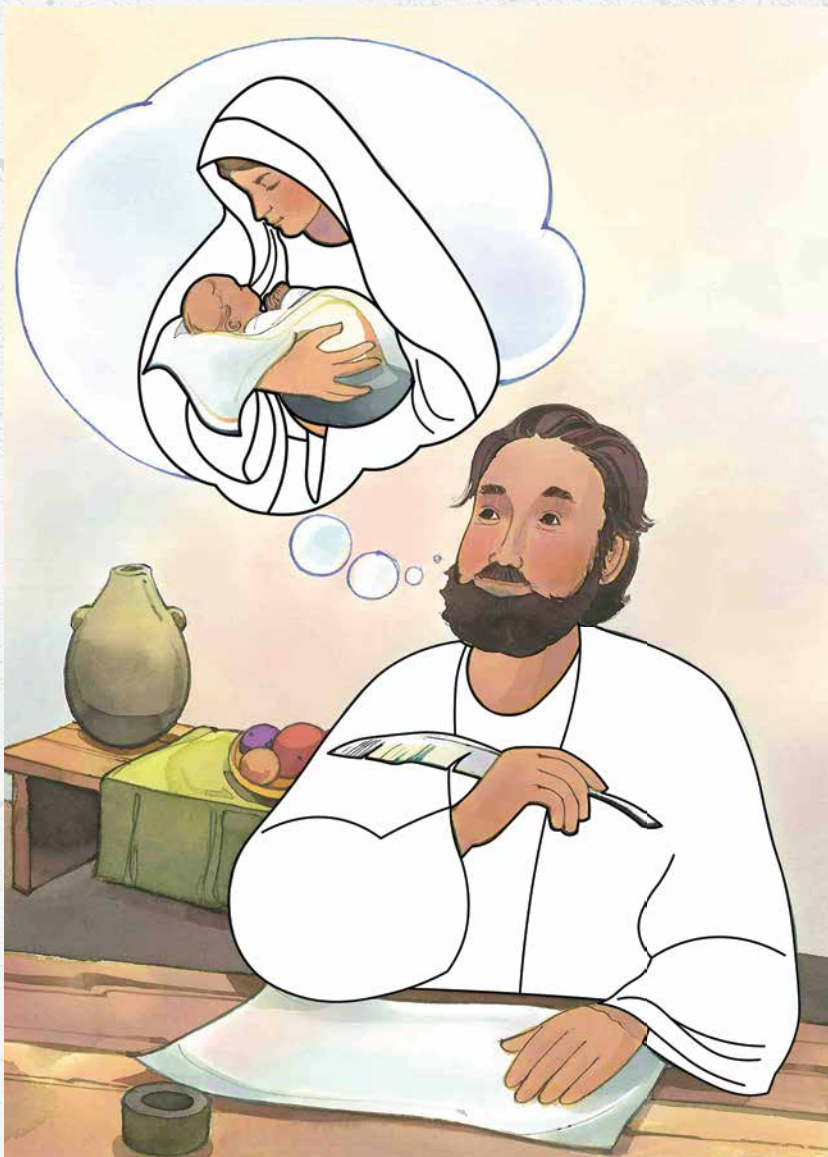


Directions: Circle the letters red letters. Print the letters in order on the red blank. Find three purple letters. Put them in order on the purple blank. Find three green letters. Put them in order on the green blank. Put the pink letters in order on the pink blank. On the last blank, put two gold letters. Read the sentences. Color the picture of Isaiah.

God's Plan "The LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:6).

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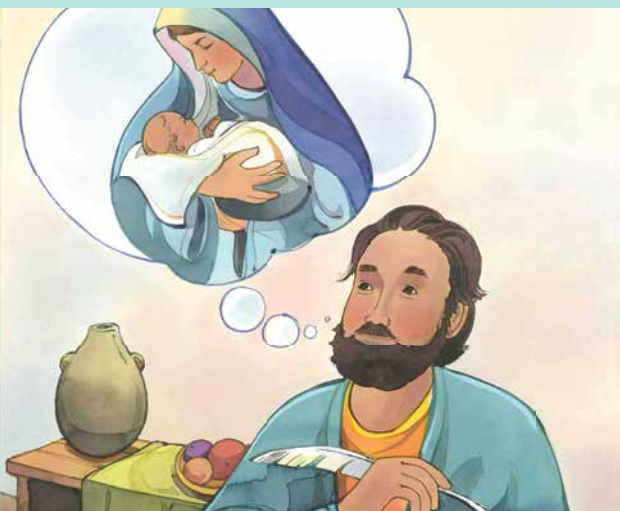


The word _____ means _____.

Immanuel means _____ is _____.

Isaiah Told about Jesus

Isaiah 7:14; 11:1, 2; 35:5, 6a; 50:5, 6; 53:5, 6



God told Isaiah a special name for the baby. The name was "Immanuel." It means "God is with us." God said that His very own Son would come to live on earth. We know His name is Jesus.

Isaiah knew God always keeps His

promises. Isaiah wrote down what God told him so everyone would know God's message. The message is in our Bible in the book called Isaiah.

Isaiah and God's people waited for God to send His Son. For seven hundred years they waited! That is a long, long, long time. People were born, and people died. Isaiah died too. God's Son did not come. But the people knew God is faithful. He does what He says He will do when He wants to do it. The people knew God kept His promises, so they waited . . . and waited . . . and waited. ❄️

Isaiah was a prophet who lived in Israel during the time of the kings. He told God's messages about what would happen in the future. God Himself spoke to the prophets. Isaiah knew God promised to send a Savior to take care of our sins, but Isaiah did not know when this Person would come. Isaiah knew God's promises always come true.

One day God told Isaiah how He would send the Savior. He said He would send a baby to a young woman who was not married. The baby would be God's Son.

Theme

Jesus' birth has always been part of God's plan.

Measurable Response

My child will thank God for His plan to send Jesus.

Memory Verse

"The LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:6).

Bible Story Questions

Ask your child these review questions.

- What is a prophet?
- What did God tell Isaiah to write?
- What does the name Immanuel mean?
- What name do we call God's Son?



Nate Has to Wait



Nate's Mommy and Daddy were going away on a trip. Nate had to stay with Grandmother.

"Don't Mommy and Daddy love me?" asked Nate.

"They certainly do," said Grandmother.

"They will come back, but you will have to wait for a while."

"How will we will we know when they are coming," asked Nate.

"They promised to call and let us know," said Grandmother.

"Are you sure they love me?" asked Nate.

"Yes, they told me, and they told you too. Remember?" Grandmother reminded Nate. Nate dried his tears and nodded.

"And they left a big bag of blessings for you. Let's go see what is in it." Grandmother was excited.

They went to the kitchen, and Grandmother let Nate reach inside the bag. He took out present after present after present. There were seven presents. Each one was gift-wrapped and had Nate's name on it.

"You can open one gift each day that your

parents are gone," said Grandmother.

"They want you to remember they love you and are coming back. When you open the last one, you will know it is time for them to come."

Every day Nate opened one gift—a book, a puzzle, markers and a coloring book, a Christmas hat, special Legos. The last gift was a bright, shiny race car.

"Are they coming soon?" asked Nate. "It seems I have waited a very long time."

"Yes. They called, and they promised they will be here tomorrow," said Grandmother.

The next day, Nate heard, "HONK! HONK!" He went to the door. Mommy and Daddy had come, just like they promised.

Nate ran to the car and gave Mommy a big hug. And then he hugged Daddy.

"We love you, Nate," said Mommy. "I hope you remembered that every day while we were gone."

"I remembered, but it was hard to wait all those days. I'm glad you are here now," Nate said as he smiled really big.■

Life Application

- What did Nate have to wait for?
- What do you think Nate was afraid of?
- What did Grandmother call the bag of gifts?
- Tell about a time when you had to wait for something.



Reminder Scroll

Isaiah wrote God's message on a scroll. Help your child make a reminder scroll.

- 2 paper towel tubes.
- Roll of brown craft paper or large grocery bag.
- Craft glue, scissors, pencil, colored pencils.
- Paper to fit the center of the scroll.
- Ribbon, raffia, or yarn.
- Feather (optional).

Trim the grocery bag or craft paper to fit the tubes. Cut a good length. Let your child add the glue to the tubes as you roll the paper to align with the tube ends. Set aside to dry. On a separate piece of paper, print the following for your child to trace with a colored pencil or crayon: God keeps His promises.

He may decorate the sides. Glue or tape to the center of the scroll. Show your child how to roll the scroll from both ends, tie with a ribbon, and add a feather.



Growth at Home

Help your child understand that the names Immanuel, Savior, Jesus, and God's Son all refer to the same person.

Reinforce the truth that God knows your child, and Jesus is his personal Savior. Jesus was sent to take away everyone's sin.

When you are helping your child learn Isaiah 53:6, let him substitute the word "sin" for the word "iniquity."

INIQUITY = SIN

Help your child define the pronoun "him" as Jesus.

Measurables

Look for the following indicators that your child understands the prophecy in Isaiah.

1. My child knows that a prophet is a man who tells God's messages.
2. My child realizes that God kept His promise to send the Savior.
3. My child understands that the promised Savior is Jesus.
4. My child is learning that God always keeps His promises.