

1. Jesus

Matt 1:21 You shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.

Matt 1:24 Joseph ...did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, 25 and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name Jesus.

Jesus is our Lord's PERSONAL name.

- a) The MISSION of Christmas is in His name: Jesus.
- b) Jesus self-PROCLAIMED mission.

Luke 19:10 The Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.

- c) Jesus the EXALTED name.

Phil 2:9 God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth.

2. Immanuel

Matt 1:22 So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us."

- a) The MESSAGE of Christmas is in His name: Immanuel.

The name Immanuel is a translation of two Hebrew words expressing "God is with us."

Heb 2:14 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same.

God – that is majesty. With us – that is mercy. God- that is glory. With us – that is grace

He came to be with us, to give us what we never DESERVED - and to not give us what we did DESERVE.

At Bethlehem, we see God WITH us. At Calvary, we see God FOR us. At Pentecost, we see God IN us.