The Birth of Messiah:  
The Fulfillment of Messianic Prophecy

Scripture

- **Isaiah 7:14**
  
  “Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.”

- **Matthew 1:23**
  
  “Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which translated means, ‘God with us.’”

- **Isaiah 9:6-7**
  
  For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David and over His kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness, from then on and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

- **Revelation 21:3-5**
  
  And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them and He will dwell among them and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.” And He who sits on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” And He said, “Write, for these words are faithful and true.”

- **Revelation 22:1-6**
  
  Then he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb in the middle of its street. On either side of the river was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His bond-servants will serve Him; they will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads. And there will no longer be any night; and they will not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God will illumine them; and they will reign forever and ever. And he said to me, “These words are faithful and true.”
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Other Scriptures

- Genesis 22:18

Main Points

- Because Messiah Yeshua has come and is here, God is with us in this present moment.
- Chag Molad Sameach means Merry Christmas!
- English: God with us is Immanuel in Hebrew
- Sarah giving birth to Isaac was a foreshadow of the virgin birth.
- At the end of the age there will be signs in the skies to announce the Lord Jesus’ coming.
- We want to develop the sense that God is with us in this present moment.
- God is with you in the present moment.
- You can find God with you in the struggle.

Discussion Questions

1. Why is paying special attention to the birth of Jesus with a specific day, even if it isn’t the actual day, a good, reasonable, and desirable practice?

2. How did the circumstances of Isaac’s birth foreshadow the miracle of the virgin birth?

3. Is knowing the Jewishness of the birth and life of Jesus important? How so?

4. How does the fact and sense of God with us in this present moment change the moment and change us?