

into
LIFE
Study guide



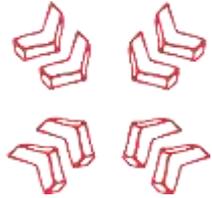
Matthew 1:18-25
For Individuals and Life Groups
November 29, 2015

Introduction:

Who is Jesus? What is the real connection between Christmas and Jesus? Join us for a six part Sunday morning series that explores the meaning, message, and mission of Jesus, and how he is the unique Hope of the World today.

The Old Testament, a document written over a period of a thousand years, contains more than 300 references to Jesus coming to and living on earth.

In Matthew we see the fulfillment of these prophecies, some of them made 1000 years before Jesus.



Into the scriptures

Read: Matthew 1:18-25

What do you notice about the passage itself? (Structure, repeated words or ideas, unique words, main points...)

What does this passage reveal about Joseph? Mary? The Angel?

What do these verses tell us about Jesus? About his origin and purpose?

What is revealed about the nature of Jesus in the prophecy from Isaiah 7:14. (Matthew 1:23)

What questions does this passage raise for you?

What do these passages reveal about God?



Into my life



The angels message to Joseph contained the promise, “he will save his people from their sins.” In your experience, how has Jesus brought you freedom?

Is there anything in your life that you still need freedom from?

How do you need a bigger picture of Jesus this Christmas?

What is the promise to claim hold of in these passages?

How will you be different this week because of what you have just read? (Pray for each other in this)



Into the world



Immanuel means “God with us” how should this change your relationships with lost friends and family this Christmas? (Pray for each other in this)



Prayer List



Challenge for the week:

From these passages my challenge for this week is:



More Resources for personal and group use:



A little about Westwood Church...

We believe that God changes lives!

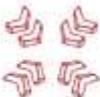
That motivates us to...

Bring Jesus into Life

By...

...becoming an increasingly healthy, vibrant and effective witness for Jesus in Prince George and around the world!

We do this by engaging in three things:



GATHER

Sunday mornings to celebrate and learn about God



GROUPS

Weekly meetings that go deeper in relationships with each other and God



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Serving in the church and community to present Jesus to the world