# "God with us": Why is Matthew 1:23 so special?

Imagine God living with us...

### God with us in the Garden of Eden

Gen 2:8 God put him in the garden

- 2:19 God brought the animals to be named
- 2:22 God brought the woman to him

Gen 3:23 God banished them from the garden

Gen 17:4-8 Covenant to be your God

## God with us in the Promised Land

Exodus 15: 3, 17 He is my God

Psalm 23 - King David

1 Kings 8:27-30 Temple represents God's presence

#### God with us in the Exile

Isaiah 7: 13-17 Promise of "Immanuel"

Long period of Silence

### God with us in the Flesh

Matthew 1:23 the Immanuel – Jesus

John 14: 1-6 Life with God in his Kingdom