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Matthew 1:6-9, 17-25

When a child is told something special is going to happen, it is not unusual to hear them say, "Do you promise?" A childlike excitement and joy gets expressed in this way. It's okay if you have some childlike faith in God today.

Isaiah shared a sign with Ahaz (see Isaiah 7), the same person who appears in Jesus' genealogy in Matthew 1. Ahaz was told that a "virgin will conceive" and that she would give "birth to a son" and He would be called "Immanuel" (v. 14). The immediate fulfillment of the prophecy related to God's judgment on that king, but there was to be a greater fulfillment of this wonderful promise; it took place when Jesus was born.

The Bible says, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him" (1 Corinthians 2:9, NLT). When we are tempted to say, "Do you promise?" We are reminded that we already know that He keeps His word. Jesus was born, He is Immanuel, "God with us."

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