

Call His Name - *Immanuel* (Isa. 7:10-14 & Matthew 1:18-24)

Introduction: *What's in a name?* [Let's see a Name Book]

I. WHAT DO YOU THINK OF WHEN YOU HEAR THE NAME *IMMANUEL*?

- A. Today's Old Testament and Gospel readings seem to suggest two opposite meanings
- B. The meaning that applies to us depends on our relationship with Him now

II. LET'S CONSIDER *IMMANUEL* AS RIGHTEOUS JUDGE

- A. This was the message to King Ahaz of Israel (Isaiah 7:10-14)
- B. We, like Ahaz can say "in God we trust" but live to the contrary
- C. What can we do? (II Chronicles 7:14)

III. THIS BRINGS US TO *IMMANUEL* AS LOVING SAVIOUR

- A. This was the message to Joseph & Mary (Matthew 1:18-25)
 - the song: *Tie a Yellow Ribbon 'round the Old Oak Tree*
 - *my little brother's teddy bear*
- B. And what are we to do with this message?

Conclusion: *Immanuel's Hands* (The painting on my office wall)