

# **“Jesus Is...” - LESSON 6**

## **“Jesus Is...EMMANUEL”**

### **Main Focus:**

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WITH us



### **Power Verse:**

“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Emmanuel (which means ‘God with us’).”

- Matthew 1:23



### **Watt's Up:**

“Jesus Is With Me Every Single Day!”

## **LEADER'S INFO**

Christmas is the birthday of a king. But, Jesus was not just ANY king. He was a king who left His throne in Heaven in order to come to Earth. His entire motivation was to save the world from their sin.

Jesus chose to come to Earth not as a flashy king with a crown and material wealth. He chose the most humble beginnings - a stable and a manger. He proved that He was not in it for Himself, but for others.

In today's lesson, the children will learn that Jesus is Emmanuel - “God with us.” He didn't wait for us to come to HIM. He came to us. He came FOR us. He came to be WITH us. They will learn how he is ALWAYS with us - no matter where we are, what we do, or what we face. We can always count on Jesus to be with us.



### **“The Spark!” Intro Video**

The Christmas Spelling Bee



### **“Watt's Up?” Teaching Video**

Skittles teaches “Watt's Up?”



### **Character Skit**

“Clyde The Elf”



### **Offering Time**



### **Game On!**

“Mitten Madness”



### **Bible Story**

“Jesus' Story”



### **Power Verse Video**

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### **Call To Action**

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### **Brain Drain**

Review Game



### **Small Group Experience**

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**Lesson 6 Materials Needed:**

**“The Spark” Intro Video**

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**“Watt’s Up?” Teaching Video**

- “Watt’s Up?” Teaching Video
- “Watt’s Up?” Trigger Video

**Character Skit**

- “Clyde The Elf” Theme Graphic/Music
- Elf costume
- Large road map

**Offering Time**

- “Offering Time” Bumper Video

**Game On!**

- “Game On!” Bumper Video
- “Mitten Madness” Graphic
- Two pair of oven mitts
- Two wrapped gifts
- A table

**Bible Story**

- “Jesus’ Story” Graphics
- Bible

**Power Verse Video**

- “Power Verse” Video

**Call To Action**

- “Jesus Is... EMMANUEL” Graphics

**Brain Drain**

- “Brain Drain” Bumper Video
- “Brain Drain” Lesson 6 Graphics

**Small Group Experience**

- Bible Story Pictures
- Self adhesive gift wrap bows
- Gift wrap
- Tape
- Gift Print Piece
- Pencils, crayons, or markers

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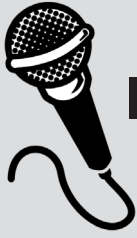
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## **Introduction to “The Spark” Intro Video**

**Leader:** Hey kids! Today, we are continuing our series, “Jesus Is...” It’s ALL about Christmas! What is the greatest Christmas gift that you have ever received? *(allow children to respond)* Those are some awesome gifts! But did you know there is an even greater gift than all of those? *(allow response)* Today, we are talking about the greatest gift that God ever gave us - Jesus! He is always with us!

And that’s the meaning of the word we are learning about today! We will learn that another word used in the Bible to describe Jesus was EMMANUEL - which means “God with us”. But before we get too far into our lesson, I want you to check out the 3rd Annual Pewaukee Christmas Spelling Bee!

**(play “The Spark” Intro Video)**

**Leader:** Wow! Those kids couldn’t ever get any of those words right! Today, we’re learning that Jesus left Heaven to come to Earth to be WITH us! It’s for this reason that He is called Emmanuel!

But before we get too far into our word for today, let’s check in with Skittles and find out “Watt’s Up?”

**(play “Watt’s Up?” Teaching Video)**

## **CHARACTER SKIT**

**Character: “Clyde The Elf”** *(a scatter-brained young man who works at the local mall as an elf at Santa’s Photo Booth. He’s dressed in the usual elf attire—pointed ears, lots of green and red, etc. He’s very excitable.)*

**CLYDE:** *(walks out with a GIANT road map, struggling to unfold it all)* No, no, no, that can’t be right.

**Leader:** Clyde?

**CLYDE:** *(ignoring the leader, looking all over at the map)* Let’s see, I took the left at Albuquerque and a right at Chattanooga...no, maybe that should’ve been another left..

**Leader:** Clyde? Excuse me, Clyde? What are you doing?

**CLYDE:** *(ignoring still, turning the map all around)* Maybe if I double back and take that slight right at Smackover...

**Leader:** *(gently lowers the map out of Clyde’s face)* Clyde, buddy, what’s going on? Are you lost?

**CLYDE:** *(laughs again)* It’s not ME that’s lost! I lost *(suddenly nervous, clears throat)* Um..something else.

**Leader:** What did you lose?

**CLYDE:** *(laughs nervously, stammers)* Oh, n-n-nothing! Nothing very important.

**Leader:** You sure about that? Because you look nervous.

**CLYDE:** *(really high pitched laugh, wipes the sweat from his face)* What gives you that idea?

**Leader:** Come on, Clyde. What did you lose? You can tell us!

**CLYDE:** I lost...I lost...*(struggling to speak, finally spits it out)* I LOST JESUS!

**Leader:** Huh? That doesn’t make any sense.

**CLYDE:** *(groans in frustration)* OKAY! So, this entire Christmas season has been NUTS, you know that I know that EVERYBODY knows that! But then I remembered that the real reason for Christmas is JESUS! I mean, that’s all we’ve been talking about for WEEKS! So I remembered from the Christmas story that the wise men found Jesus in the manger, so I went to the manger by the church and the baby Jesus in there was PLASTIC!

**Leader:** Of course it’s plastic! You can’t find Jesus in a manger now! That’s already happened!

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## **CHARACTER SKIT** *(continued)*

**CLYDE:** YEAH! Thanks! I figured that out! So I thought maybe I could use a GPS so I entered “JESUS” into the GPS and NOTHING! I then tried finding Jesus on a map, and HE’S NOWHERE!

**Leader:** CLYDE! Just chill, buddy!

**CLYDE:** Excuse me?? Chill?! I am a CHRISTMAS ELF! *(flaps the giant road map all over the place in a tantrum)*  
I AM THE KING OF CHILL!

**Leader:** Whoa there! Okay then, Mr. King of Chill, then you should know that Jesus came TO you! You don’t have to go looking anywhere to find Jesus, He already came down to Earth!

**CLYDE:** Yeah, I know that, He came down here to get the golden Frankenstein’s purse.

**Leader:** *(pause)* I think you mean “gold, frankincense and myrrh.” And no, He didn’t come for any of that stuff! Jesus came FOR you! And everybody else!

**CLYDE:** Well then, where is he?!

**Leader:** He’s WITH you! He’s ALWAYS with you! He’s the Son of God and He LOVES you! He would never hide from you, all you have to do is pray to Him to be the Lord of your life and He’s right there!

**CLYDE:** Ohhhhh! *(crumples up the map into a giant ball)* I knew that! Man! I was really freaking out there for a second! Phew - I feel so much better. Well, if you excuse me boys and girls, I gotta get back to my job at the mall. *(looks around, confused)* If I can just...remember...how to get there. *(picks the map back up and opens it frantically)* Ho, ho, ho and away I go! *(wanders around the stage looking at the map before he exits)*



## **GAME ON!**

### **“Mitten Madness”**

#### **Items Needed For Game:**

Two pair of oven mitts; two wrapped gifts; a table

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#### **Preparation:**

Choose one boy and one girl to compete in this game. Wrap two gift boxes to look close to the same.

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#### **How To Play:**

Each player has to put oven mitts on both hands. When the leader says “go,” the players must attempt to unwrap a present on the table in front of them. Whichever player completely unwraps their gift first **WINS!**



## **Bible Story**

### **“Jesus’ Story”**

#### **Materials Needed:**

The graphic slides for Lesson 6; begin with the slide that says “Bible Story”; follow the instructions below, changing the slides to follow along with the story (*as shown*)

#### **Preparation:**

Familiarize yourself with the story of Jesus in The Gospels; have your open Bible in your hands as you tell the story

#### **The Story:**

Today’s Bible Story is probably the most important story in the entire Bible. It’s the story of Jesus. Jesus is God’s Son. He had the perfect life up in Heaven. He was King of the Universe and had everything He could possibly ever need. But, Jesus decided to leave Heaven and come to Earth.

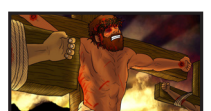
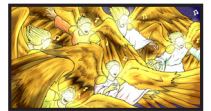
(*show pic*) He didn’t come to Earth as a king, though. No, Jesus left His throne in Heaven and came to Earth as a tiny little baby. He was born to a couple named Mary and Joseph. Jesus was born in a stable - a barn - and was laid in a manger full of hay. Not much of a life for a King.

(*show pic*) God was excited to announce the birth of His Son, Jesus. He sent angels to appear to a group of shepherds. The angels said, “Don’t be afraid. We bring you good news for all people.” Once the shepherds heard the good news, they ran to go see this baby king who had been born to take away the sins of the world.

The shepherds weren’t the only ones to visit this new king named Jesus. (*show pic*) Several magi, sometimes called wise men, followed a star that had appeared the night Jesus was born. They traveled many many miles, bringing Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

There was a reason that Jesus came to Earth. The people of Earth had turned away from God. They had sinned and done all kinds of evil things. Jesus knew that SIN separates people from God. He didn’t want that, so He came to Earth to show God’s love. (*show pic*) As He grew, Jesus began teaching everyone that HE was the way to get past sin and get back to God.

But, there were some religious leaders who got very jealous of Jesus. They decided Jesus was getting too popular among the people, so they arrested Jesus and sentenced Him to die on a cross. (*show pic*) Jesus was nailed to a cross in order to pay the price for our sin. He had never sinned, so He took our place on that cross. Three days after He was buried, (*show pic*) Jesus rose from the dead. He was alive! He rose up into Heaven and is there to this very day. He came to the Earth to die on the cross so that you and I could be forgiven. And He continues to walk with us everyday through the troubles we face in our life. He is Emmanuel! You will continue to learn more about that word - Emmanuel - in your lesson today!







## **Call To Action**

### **“Jesus Is...EMMANUEL”**

#### **Materials Needed:**

The graphic slides for Lesson 6; crown

#### **Preparation:**

Begin with the slide titled “Jesus Is... EMMANUEL”

#### **The Message:** *(title slide)*



Today, we are learning about another word that was used in the Bible to describe Jesus - Emmanuel! Emmanuel is a BIG word that means “God with us”. We normally hear this word around Christmas time especially in a famous Christmas carol. *(jokingly sing “O Come O Come Emmanuel”)* Well maybe it doesn’t sound quite like that!

The Bible uses the word “Emmanuel” to describe Jesus because...

#### **Jesus Came TO You** *(slide)*



Jesus had everything He could ever want in Heaven. He was the King of the Universe. *(put on crown)* He had angels that would serve His every need. If He wanted something, He could just snap His fingers and He would have it. He didn’t have to worry about anything. There were no problems, no wars, no worries, no danger. Heaven was a perfect place.

*(take off crown)* But, Jesus loved us enough to leave the perfection of Heaven and come to this Earth where we have so much sin, sadness, trouble, and pain. Not only did He come TO you, but...

#### **Jesus Came FOR You** *(slide)*



Jesus knew that the only way you could be saved from sin is for Him to leave Heaven, come to Earth, then die on a cross to pay the price for your sin. YOU are the reason Jesus came to Earth. Isn’t that amazing? He loves you that much. In fact, He loves the WHOLE world that much.

That is why we celebrate Christmas. It was the beginning of Jesus’ time on Earth. It began with a baby in a manger, but it didn’t end there. It continued throughout the life of Jesus as He performed miracles and showed people God’s love. It continued through His arrest and death on a cross. It continued even further when He rose from the dead three days later. That story continues today as Jesus is in Heaven, hoping that each person will receive the gift He has for them - forgiveness. He continues to walk with us in our lives daily as we face the troubles of this world. You see...

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## **Call To Action** (Continued)

**Jesus Is ALWAYS With You** (slide)



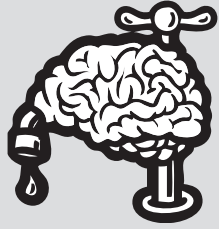
Jesus said it himself, “Surely I am with you ALWAYS...” When will he be with you? (allow response) Just sometimes? (allow response) Most of the time? (allow response) When will he be with you? (allow response) That’s right - Jesus is with us ALWAYS - to the very end!

That means when you are worried about a BIG test at school - Jesus is with you! Or when you’re sad because your parents have been fighting alot or maybe they are even getting a divorce - Jesus is with you! Or when you are feeling alone because you haven’t been able to make any friends at school - Jesus is with you! No matter what you are facing in your life, Jesus is with you!

We don’t have to face anything alone in our lives because Jesus has promised He will be with us! That is why he is EMMANUEL! He is “God with us”. He came to us and for us, and He will always be with us no matter what.

**ALTAR RESPONSE:** (play soft music)

Pray for the children who are needing Jesus to be with them in their lives. Pray for those facing tough situations in their lives. Pray they will be reminded that Jesus is always with them. Lead everyone in a prayer of thanksgiving for Jesus’ sacrifice to come to Earth and pay the price for our sins.



## **BRAIN DRAIN**

### **Materials Needed:**

The graphic slides for Lesson 6; “Brain Drain” Bumper Video

### **Preparation:**

Play the “Brain Drain” Bumper Video; Begin with the slide titled “Brain Drain”; there is a slide for each question

**1. Watt’s Up today?**

**Answer:** “Jesus Is With Me Every Single Day!”

**2. Where was Jesus born?**

**Answer:** In A Manger

**3. Before He came to Earth, where was Jesus?**

**Answer:** Heaven

**4. True or False: Jesus defeated death.**

**Answer:** True

**5. What is the word used to describe Jesus that we learned about today?**

**Answer:** Emmanuel

**6. According to our lesson today, “Jesus Came \_\_\_\_\_ You.”**

**Answer:** TO

**7. According to our lesson today, “Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ FOR You.”**

**Answer:** Came

**8. According to our lesson today, “Jesus Is ALWAYS With \_\_\_\_\_.”**

**Answer:** You

**9. True Or False: Jesus came to be with us.**

**Answer:** True

**10. Where was our Power Verse found?**

**Answer:** Matthew 1:23