



***“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”
– which means, “God with us.”***

Matthew 1:23

*“How tiny the baby
How perfect in every way
How can we deny that,
God has come to us
God has come to us*

*Come now and be near him
Come. Rest a while.
Kneel down and receive him
God has come to us”*

He was such a perfect gift in such an imperfect place. The Son of God in a straw bassinet. The Lamb of God with the lambs of the world.

How could such a tiny, fragile child change human history? What if there had been problems with the delivery? What if the night had been too cold to sustain a newborn child?

All the what-ifs in the world could not stop the heart of God from reaching out in love to you and to me. So, draw near to that little One. Come rest your head on the straw. The world may be troubled and facing difficult times, but the peace that allows our hearts and minds to rest is personified in this truth: God has come to us!

So today, share the news and celebrate the announcement of His birth. Let the world know by whatever means you are able, that Christ the Lord is born!!

Prayer:

Gracious God,

There are no words to thank you for this perfect gift. Help us this day, as well as every day, to receive Him with a grateful heart, singing Hallelujah and Amen!