

CONVERSATION GUIDE

Middle-High School

DATE: 11/29/20

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 6:1-5

LESSON: Jesus, God With Us

INTRO

This conversation guide exists to help parents interact with their middle and high school students. Our goal in having middle and high school students attend gatherings (or worship at home) with their parents is to help them transition toward being adults who are fully functioning members of the church. But most middle and high school students still need some translation and help connecting what they're learning to their lives. We want our sermons to be accessible, but they aren't specifically targeted toward the transitional teenage years.

- **Read Isaiah 6:1-5.** Have you ever been in a situation where someone you really wanted to respect you saw some terrible part of you? Maybe you failed a test in the class of your FAVORITE teacher or maybe someone you think is really cool saw you do something embarrassing.
 - Has 2020 exposed any specific sin in your life? Has it been easier to just sit in front of the tv and do/think about nothing? Is it even harder than normal to give your siblings grace when they do things that hurt you?
- **Read Isaiah 7:14.** Why is Isaiah 7:14 good news? What did God need to do so He could be with us without us needing to be terrified of Him? (Parents - He needed to deal with our sin. Like the angel who put coal on Isaiah's lips to purify Him, God had to purify us by putting our sin on Jesus in the cross. Consider Romans 3:21-26 and how God remained both just and justifier.)
- **Read Matthew 1:21-23.** God sends His Son to be our sinless substitute so that we can be with God forever. Because of Jesus' life, death and resurrection, we can be with God forever because God looks on us and sees Jesus' perfect, righteous record. God sees you, knows you, accepts you and likes you.
 - Is it sometimes hard to believe that God feels these things towards you? That He looks at you and thinks "yep, I'm a big fan of them". Why can this be difficult to believe?
 - What are some practical ways we can remind ourselves that God loves us, likes us and accepts us completely in Jesus?