

Matthew's whole story
of Jesus is seen
through the lens of
God-with-us.

...in this old, old story is
something
quite astounding
about God.

God
must be
all-problem-solving

... God-with-us
is so vulnerable
and totally dependent
on people
to love and care for him.

God-with-us hasn't changed.

God is still totally dependent
on people

who love and care for him.

God-with-us
is both an
Invitation
and a
Threat.

The more civilized way to deal
with the threat of God-with-us
is just to ignore God,
or fill up one's life
leaving little room for God.

God-with-us
might just change
how they think and believe.
They remain stuck where they are
and with people who are like them.

We are a microcosm
of the world's problems.

And God reached out to a
vulnerable world unable to care
for ourselves.

When vulnerable love
meets vulnerable people
life is transformed.

It looks like God-with-us.

Ask God-with-us...

**Jesus, how do I love and care for
you?**

Look for God-with-us in others.

Love and care for

God-with-us in them.

Seek where God-with-us is being
born in this world, in my world.

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among others,
To make music in the heart.