

We're All Called to Be Immanuel

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In the first chapter of the Bible, we learn that "God created man in his own image" — "male and female," btw (shows there is also a female component of God ☺; Gen. 1:27). In Philip. 2:5,6, building on this, Paul and Timotheus admonished us to "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being ^{made} in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God."

In John 10:33, 34, as the Jews were about to stone Jesus "because thou, being a man, maketh thyself God. Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, 'Ye are gods?,' basically saying, "so are you, if you will:"

He was likely citing Ps. 82:6 "I have said, 'Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High." (See also Isa. 41:23.) Along this vein, in Gal. 4:6,7, Paul says, "God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son in your hearts, crying Abba, Father, wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ." He's more explicit in Rom. 8:15-17, saying, "Ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father, the Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs, heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ..."

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This isn't just something that will become realized in the hereafter. Rev. 5:10,11 says that the Root of David "hath made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth. ... and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands" — e.g. 125 million. I see that being the number of Church of the Firstborn joint heirs of Christ — at the launch of the Millennium, many more to come thereafter.

As joint heirs on the earth, we are also Immanuel — when we embrace our unique mission in life, all in, synced up with God, following our intuitive guidance. That invitation is extended to everyone. We're all the children of God.

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