Immanuel Journaling Worksheet

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"Immanuel Journaling" is a method of prayer for conversing with God and receiving his empathy and help. Jim Wilder calls this "thought rhyming" with God to experience a "mutual mind state" with him. To write your two-way prayer letter simply compete each sentence. It's helpful to read your letter out loud to a friend or small group who will listen and pray for you.

Write Your Prayer
Dear Lord (or other name for God),
I need your help with (briefly describe a specific situation of need)
I appreciate that you (e.g., are emotionally present for me, empowering me, etc.)
Write God's Response Dear(Your Name),
I see you in this situation and notice your physical demeanor of (e.g., being busy, tossing and turning in bed, clenching your jaw, slumping your shoulders, crying)
I hear what you're saying (out loud and/or in your mind)
I understand that you're feeling (e.g., angry, afraid, anxious, guilty, sad, alone)
I realize this is really big for you because you want
I'm glad to be with you and I'm proud of you for your (e.g., vulnerability, courage, perseverance, kindness)
I want to encourage you and help you by (e.g., a Scripture promise)

^{*} Immanuel Journaling is taught in *Joyful Journey* by Jim Wilder, Anna Kang, John Loppnow, and Sungshim Loppnow. See <u>LifeModelWorks.org</u>.