

I Surrender All (Control)!

In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. ²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, “Greetings, favored woman! ***The Lord is with you!***” ²⁹ ***Confused and disturbed***, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. ³⁰ “Don’t be afraid, Mary,” the angel told her, “for you have found favor with God! ³¹ You will conceive and ***give birth to a son***, and ***you will name him Jesus***. ³² He will be very great and will be called the ***Son of the Most High...***” ³⁴ Mary asked the angel, “But how can this happen? I am a virgin.” ³⁵ The angel replied, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and ***he will be called the Son of God...***” ³⁸ Mary responded, “***I am the Lord’s servant. May everything you have said about me come true.***” - Luke 1:26-32,34-35,38 (NLT)

And Mary said, “Behold the servant of the Lord! ***Let it be to me according to your word.***” - Luke 1:38 (ESV)

- You Don’t Always Have The Power To _____,
But You Always Have The Power To _____.

“If you ***cling to your life, you will lose it***; but if you ***give up your life for me, you will find it.***” - Matthew 10:39 (NLT)

WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO CONTROL THAT YOU NEED TO SURRENDER?

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- If total trust is a 0, and total control is a 10, where do you land on the control scale?
- What are you trying to control that’s outside your control?
- What will you do this week that will force you to rely on God and others for the outcome?
- What did God speak to you during this message? Discuss it.
- How can you begin to pray this week to allow God to help you to trust more?