

“God Works Through Willing Hearts”

Luke 1:26-56

Sunday, January 25, 2026

1. God Invites Ordinary People (26–33)

- A. (Jos 1:9) "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." NKJV
- B. (Mt 28:20b) "...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen." NKJV

2. God Answers Honest Questions (34–38)

- A. (Zec 4:6b) "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' Says the LORD of hosts." NKJV
- B. (Mt 19:16–26) "¹⁶ Now behold, one came and said to Him, 'Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?' ¹⁷ So He said to him, 'Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.' ¹⁸ He said to Him, 'Which ones?' Jesus said, ' 'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not bear false witness,' ¹⁹ 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' " ²⁰ The young man said to Him, 'All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?' ²¹ Jesus said to him, 'If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.' " ²² But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. ²³ Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. ²⁴ And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' " ²⁵ When His disciples heard it, they were greatly astonished, saying, 'Who then can be saved?' ²⁶ But Jesus looked at them and said to them, 'With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.' " NKJV

3. God Fills Surrender With Joy (39–56)

Write-up

In this message from Luke 1:26–56, we see what it means for God to work through willing hearts as Mary responds to His calling with humility, questions, and surrender. Through her journey, *God Works Through Willing Hearts* becomes more than a theme—it becomes an invitation for us to trust the God who meets ordinary people with extraordinary grace. This passage reminds us that when we say yes to Him, He fills our lives with assurance, purpose, and joy.

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Join us this Sunday as we open Luke 1:26–56 and discover what it means for God to work through willing hearts. See how His grace meets ordinary people with courage, clarity, and joy—inviting us to walk in faith, rooted in His mercy.