

Luke 1:26-38: The Lord's Servant

Big Truth:



Luke 1:26–33 (*all references are NIV unless noted)

²⁶ In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." ²⁹ Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰ But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him **Jesus**. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

Matthew 22:41–42

⁴¹ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ⁴² "What do you think about the Messiah? Whose son is he?" "The son of David," they replied.

Luke 1:34–35

³⁴ "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

Luke 1:36–37 (NET)

³⁶ "And look, your relative Elizabeth has also become pregnant with a son in her old age—although she was called barren, she is now in her sixth month! ³⁷ For **nothing will be impossible with God.**"

Genesis 18:14

¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the Lord?...

Luke 1:38

³⁸ "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

Pray it. Live it. Check it.

"I am the Lord's servant. Whatever You ask and whatever the cost, whatever You want is what I want. I don't understand it all, but I trust You. Use me to accomplish your plan."

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Discussion Questions

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1. What challenged you most from today's teaching? Explain your answer.
2. **Read Luke 1:26-27.** How does knowing the background of Mary, Joseph, their engagement, Nazareth, & being a descendent of King David add to the significance of this historical story?
3. **Read Luke 1:31-33.** What 2 characteristics of Yeshua (Jesus) prove Him to be absolutely unique? Discuss why these 2 characteristics are so significant.
4. **Read Luke 1:36-37.** How does the pregnancy of Elizabeth & Mary prove that nothing is too difficult for God? On a side note...did God have to use a sexual union between people to create Eve? (see Genesis 2:20-24)?
5. Share a story where God proved that NOTHING is too difficult for Him.
6. What if every person who claimed to follow Jesus responded like Mary - "I am the Lord's servant"? How can our lives find purpose & passion if we **Pray it** ("I am the Lord's servant"), **Live it**, & **Check it** this week?
7. Share your prayer needs and lift each other before the King.