

Read Luke 1:26-38

**What is something that stood out from Justin's sermon?**

Justin said the spiritual danger of Christmas for Christians is familiarity. **How can we remind ourselves how good of news it is that Jesus was born of a virgin 2,000 years ago?**

**What are things that distract you around the Christmas season from soaking in that Good News from the previous question?**

**Why was it so significant that God spoke through an angel?**

Justin spoke on the seeming darkness and absence of God that the Israelites were feeling prior to Christ's birth. **Are there any areas of your life that you feel the Lord is seemingly absent and silent towards?**

**What is the significance of who the angel Gabriel spoke to? (Mary) What does that say about the character of our God?**

God extends grace to Mary first, and then she responds by submitting to God's will for her life completely and joyfully. **Is there an area of your life that you have not fully submitted to completely and joyfully?**

**What is an example of a time that you or someone you know has responded with full submission completely and joyfully?**

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### **Men's/Women's Time**

Have a time of sharing. (*i.e. Share highs/lows in this season, needs in your home/community, etc.*)

**PRAY** for one another.