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Key Verses: Luke 1:26-38

Key Thought: Luke 1:45 says, "Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises to her!" Do you believe God will fulfill His promises to you?

Points to Consider:

- **God values the needy, broken & downtrodden as equal with those of high station.** The Angel Gabriel was sent to bring news to an ordinary, young teenage girl in Nazareth, a town that was not well known. This was very different than when he was sent to a priest in a temple, to bring news of Elizabeth's pregnancy.
- **Gabriel's message to Mary also applies to us today. (v. 28)**
 - 1) **As with Mary, the Lord favors you. (v. 30)**
 - a) Favor is attached to a Biblical mission that brings Glory to God and benefits others besides just yourself.
 - b) No matter how much, or how little, we are favored by our society, we are all favored by God.
 - 2) **As with Mary, the Lord is with you. (Deut. 31:8)**
 - a) God's presence accompanies his calling. His presence is necessary to accomplish His calling.
 - 3) **As with Mary, the Lord has a purpose for us. (vs. 29-31)**
 - a) You are never too young to be called by God.
 - b) We cannot fulfill God's purposes in our own power.
 - 4) **As with Mary, the Spirit will empower you. (v. 38-48)**
 - a) **In Mary's response, we see:**
 - i. **Obedience** (v. 38) - Mary said "Let it be to me according to your word."
 - ii. **Becoming the messenger** (v. 39-45) – She carried Jesus in her body, and also the good news to Elizabeth.
 - iii. **Praise** (vs. 46-48) – "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."



Discussion Prompts:

- Do you know how loved & favored you are by God?
- Do you believe that His presence is always with you?
- Do you believe that He has given you divine purpose?
- Do you call on the Spirit that lives within you to empower you?
- Are you ready to respond with surrender and praise?
- Are you ready to become the messenger to someone else?