



THE
PROMISE

OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

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.”**

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

29 Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be.

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

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.”

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

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.”

THE
PROMISE
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

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.”

THE
PROMISE
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

**34 “How will this be,” Mary asked the
angel, “since I am a virgin?”**

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

34 “How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?”

“How can I be sure of this? I am an old man, and my wife is well along in years.” Luke 1:18

**34 “How will this be,” Mary asked the
angel, “since I am a virgin?”**

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

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.

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

Jesus knew no sin (2 Cor. 5:21)

He did no sin (1 Peter 2:22)

He had no sin (1 John 3:5)

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

36 Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month.


37 For no word from God will ever fail.”

**38 “I am the Lord’s servant,”
Mary answered. “May your word to me
be fulfilled.” Then the angel left her.**

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

1. God uses ordinary people to carry out his mission.

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME



²⁶ Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.

²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him.

2. About the only thing we can offer God is our availability and willingness.

THE
PROMISE
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

3. Serving God costs us something.

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

“If I perish, I perish” (Esther 4:16)

“Even if he kills me, I will hope in him” (Job 13:15).

“Father not by will but yours be done” (Luke 22:42)

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME

4. We trust God to overcome our limitations

**THE
PROMISE**
OUR SAVIOR HAS COME