## **Highly Favored One**

Luke 1:26-45

Luke 1:26: Now in the <u>sixth month</u> the <u>angel Gabriel</u> was sent by God to a city of Galilee named <u>Nazareth</u>,

**Luke 1:27:** to a <u>virgin betrothed</u> (engaged) to a man whose name was <u>Joseph</u>, of the house of David. The <u>virgin's</u> name was <u>Mary</u>.

**Isaiah 7:14:** Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the <u>virgin</u> shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name <u>Immanuel</u> (**God with us**).

Luke 1:28: And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

**Luke 1:29:** But when she saw him, she was <u>troubled</u> at his saying, and considered <u>what manner of greeting this</u> <u>was</u>.

Luke 1:30: Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God."

**Luke 1:31:** "And behold, you will **conceive** in your **womb** and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name **Jesus**."

**Luke 1:32:** "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the **Lord God will give Him** the **throne** of His **father David**."

**Luke 1:33:** "And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of <u>His kingdom there will be no end</u>."

**Luke 1:34:** Then Mary said to the angel, "How can **this be**, since I do not **know** a man?"

Luke 1:35: And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God."

Jesus is both **Son of Mary and Son of God!** 

Luke 1:36-37: "Now indeed, Elizabeth your <u>relative</u> has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the <u>sixth month</u> for her who was called <u>barren</u>. <u>For with</u> <u>God nothing will be impossible</u>."

**Genesis 18:14:** Is anything too hard for the Lord?

**Jeremiah 32:17:** "Ah, Lord God! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. **There is nothing too hard for You**."

Jeremiah 32:27: "Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me?"

**Luke 1:38:** Then Mary said, "Behold the <u>maidservant</u> of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your <u>word</u>." And the angel departed from her.

**Luke 1:39:** Now Mary arose in those days and went into the hill country <u>with haste</u>, to a <u>city of Judah</u>,

**Luke 1:40-41:** and entered the house of Zacharias and **greeted** Elizabeth. And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the **babe** leaped in her **womb**; and Elizabeth was **filled with the Holy Spirit**.

**Luke 1:42:** Then she <u>spoke</u> <u>out</u> with a <u>loud</u> voice and said, "<u>Blessed</u> are you <u>among women</u>, and blessed is the <u>fruit</u> of your womb!"

- Love: the Fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22)
- Good Works (Colossians 1:10)
- Financial Giving (Philippians 4:17)
- Leading Others to Jesus (John 4:36)
- Holiness (Romans 6:22)
- Praise: the Fruit of Our Lips (Hebrews 13:15)
- Children: the Fruit of the Womb (Luke 1:42)

**Luke 1:43:** "But why is this granted to me, that the **mother of my Lord** should come to me?"

**Luke 1:44:** "For indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the <u>babe leaped</u> in my <u>womb</u> for <u>joy</u>."

**Luke 1:45:** "Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord."

Joel 2:29: And also on My <u>menservants</u> and on My <u>maidservants</u> I will pour out My Spirit in those days.