Mother's Day Message

MARY'S SONG – Luke 1:46-55

(Proverbs 23:22) Listen to your father who begot you, And do not despise your mother when she is old.

"All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother." – Abraham Lincoln

"To describe my mother would be to write about a hurricane in its perfect power. Or the climbing, falling colors of a rainbow." – Maya Angelo

A mother's love could not be silenced not even at the cross.

(John 19:26-27) When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.

3 aspects of faith found in the life of a mother in partnership with God.

Magnification – (v.46)

1) Rejoicing in the Lord. (v.47).

(Psalm 119:111) Your testimonies I have taken as a heritage forever, For they are the rejoicing of my heart.

2) Maidservant of the Lord. (v.48)

"Dorcas" - meaning gazelle. Acts 9:36-43.

Mothers have often labored in pain and sickness for the benefit of others!

(1 Corinthians 15:58) Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

"The Hand That Rocks the Cradle Is the Hand That Rules the World." – William Ross Wallace

Manifestation - (v.49-52).

<u>Phrase</u>, "<u>who is mighty</u>" – dynatos – able, powerful; to bear calamities and trials with fortitude and patience.

(Psalm 86:5) For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You.

Strength – kratos: power, dominion (sovereignty or control).

(Isaiah 43:13) "Indeed before the day was, I am He; And there is no one who can deliver out of My hand; I work, and who will reverse it?"

(v.52b) They will be "exalted!" (Isaiah 40:29) He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength.

Subjugation - (v.53-55)

<u>Subjugation</u> means: the action of bringing someone or something under domination or control.

(Luke 14:11) "For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

<u>CONCLUSION</u>: A liberated mother declares with Mary; (Luke 1:38) "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word."