Park Hills SBSG Questions

Luke 1:26-2:42

- 1. Consider the relationship between Mary and Elizabeth. Compare the birth announcements.
- 2. Tell of some news you could not wait to tell someone, news you "had to share"
- 3. How many of us would respond as Mary did? What kinds of things is God asking us to respond to and what can we learn from Mary's response?
- 4. Mary obviously had a good understanding of the major story lines of the O.T. God's story. Review this study of over 3,000 students and "emerging adults" re: what they believe about God.

Moralistic Therapeutic Deism

- A god exists who created & ordered the world & watches over human life on earth.
- God wants people to be good, nice, & fair to each other, as taught in the Bible & by most world religions.
- The central goal in life is to be happy & to feel good about oneself.
- God does not need to be particularly involved in one's life except when he
 is needed to resolve problems.
- Good people go to heaven when they die.
 (quoted from <u>Soul Searching</u>, Smith and Denton)

Perhaps a little more doctrine would be helpful!!!!!

5. Have your group read II Samuel 7 before you meet and hilite every time they see the words "house, throne, kingdom, forever