

Great Expectations

Week three - "Here Comes Heaven"

Luke 1:26-38 and John 16:20-24

Bottom line: God doesn't wait to take us to heaven, He brings heaven to us.

- 1. What experiences have you had "waiting to get word," and what were those experiences like for you? (college admissions, job offers, test results, etc.)
- 2. Read Luke 1:26-38
 - a. Why do you think Mary was "greatly troubled" at Gabriel's greeting?
 - b. Mary asks the question, "How?" What questions do you think you might have had for Gabriel?
- 3. What questions do you have now about what God is doing?
- 4. When have you doubted God's timing on something in your life? Have you ever given up, or been tempted to give up?
- 5. What are you waiting, or wanting to hear from God right now? How do you think it might happen?
- 6. Jesus invites us to ask and seek. Is there anything keeping you from asking God for something in your life?
- 7. What does it mean to find hope in the waiting because God brings heaven to us?