



When
**Angels
Speak**
PEACE ON EARTH

“Impossible God”

Is there a mountain you can't climb?

Is there a mountain you can't climb?

Is there a problem you can't solve?

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Is there a person you can't fix?

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Is there pain or trauma you can't heal?

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IMPOSSIBLE

“For nothing will be impossible with God.”

Luke 1:37

Our God is

Immutable

Omniscient

Omnipresent

Omnipotent

Ah, Lord GOD! It is you who have made
the heavens and the earth by your great
power and by your outstretched arm!
Nothing is too hard for you.

Jeremiah 32:17

Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but with God **all things are possible.**”

Matthew 19:26

The story of Christmas as told by the angel Gabriel:

The **impossible** God
came to the **improbable** person
to live an **incredible** gift
for **imperfect** people like you and me.

“Angel catalogs, angel seminars, angel pins, angel newsletters, angel websites, and angel sightings... it looks like the winged ones have left the cosmic backlot for the forefront of popular consciousness.”

Los Angeles Daily News

“Just beyond a thin veil at the edge of the physical world is another world far richer, far deeper, and far more inhabited. That world is filled with the hum of angels. At times, God pulls back the curtain for a moment, and we have a chance to observe that God’s very presence is surrounded by thousands and thousands of angels.”

Scot McKnight



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**41% of adult Americans believe
Jesus is the eternal son of God.**

LIFEWAY Research





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Christmas Eve

AT GRACE POINT CHURCH

9:10 AM • 10:45 AM • 12:15 PM



...the angel Gabriel was **sent from God**
to a city of **Galilee** named **Nazareth**,
²⁷ to a **virgin** betrothed to a man whose
name was Joseph.

Luke 1:26-27

And he came to her and said, “Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!”²⁹ But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.³⁰ And the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

Luke 1:28-38

31 “And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David,

Luke 1:28-38

33 “and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

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

Luke 1:28-38

³⁵ And the angel answered her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. ³⁶ And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren.

Luke 1:28-38

³⁷ “For nothing will be impossible with God.”

³⁸ And Mary said, “Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word.”
And the angel departed from her.

Luke 1:28-38

**Angels do and say what
God says to do and say,
and they point people to Jesus.**

Four beliefs angels have about Jesus

1) Jesus is our impossible **Savior**

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Luke 1:31

Jesus (Greek, *lēsous*) = Joshua (Hebrew, *Yeshua*):
“The God who Saves”

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

Acts 4:12

Four beliefs angels have about Jesus

1) Jesus is our impossible **Savior**

2) Jesus is our impossible **Most High**

“How you are fallen from heaven, O Day Star, son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low! ¹³ You said in your heart, ‘I will ascend to heaven; above the stars of God; I will set **my** throne on high; I will sit on the mount of assembly in the far reaches of the north; ¹⁴ I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; **I will make myself like the Most High.**”

Isaiah 14:12-14

Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. **So he is first in everything.**

Colossians 1:18
(New Living Translation)

He will be great and will be called the Son of the **Most High**... ³⁵ the angel answered her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the **Most High will overshadow you.**”

Luke 1:32, 35

“I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to anyone else, nor share my praise...”

Isaiah 42:8
(New Living Translation)

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- 1) Jesus is our impossible **Savior**
- 2) Jesus is our impossible **Most High**
- 3) Jesus is our impossible
Eternal King

Kingdoms come and kingdoms go...

Mongol: 159 years

Persian: 228 years

Ottoman: 600 years

Roman: 1,000 years

Byzantine: 1,100 years

Egyptian: 3,000 years

“...and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of **his kingdom there will be no end.**”

Luke 1:33

The World at War in 2023

Countries in which armed clashes between state forces and/or rebels were reported in 2023



32 Countries
presently at war



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Fact

**1.2 million children in Ukraine
are displaced or are refugees.**



Christmas Offering

TEXT GIVEPEACE TO 97000



Russian Third Wave

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Holy Son of God

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Luke 1:35

...“How can this be...?”

Luke 1:34
(Holman Christian Standard Bible)

...“for nothing will be impossible with God.”

Luke 1:37

And Mary said, “Behold, **I am the servant**
of the Lord; let it be...”

Luke 1:38



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