



You will be with a child
and give birth to a son,
and you are to give
him the name Jesus.
He will be great and
will be called the Son
of the Most High. The
Lord God will give him
the throne of his
father David, and he
will reign over the
house of Jacob
forever; his kingdom
will never end.

LUKE 1:31-33



Week 1



Day 3

Imagine this: You're Mary, and an angel comes to you and tells you that you're going to have a baby (even though you're a virgin and engaged to be married!)

How would you respond?

What is my fiance going to think?

What will his family think?

What about my family?

Yet, what Mary said to the angel reveals her trust in God and the hope she held in her heart: "I am the Lord's servant, may it be to me as you have said." With these words, we see how interconnected hope and trust truly are. Trust is reliability, a confidence that can be depended on, and we can only truly hope in something or someone when we fully trust. After all, without trust, any hope is just a pipe dream. Let us, like Mary, say, "I am the Lord's servant," knowing fully that our hope is not worthless but is built on the truth that God is faithful.

Prayer

Father God, You are sovereign, and Your word never returns to You empty. What You say is always true. I know my hope is not in vain because it is rooted in You – and You are faithful. Like Mary, I confidently declare: "I am the Lord's servant!"

Call to Action

What is something you once hoped for that you have given up on? Perhaps your prayer was never answered, or you think it's too big for God? Whatever it is, recommit your heart to hope. Remember, nothing is too big for God.