

Questions for your Family Devotions or Grace Groups:

Summary of Message, "FAITH":

Faith looks back. Faith tells me Jesus came. Faith allows me to embrace what Jesus did for me on the Cross. Faith reminds me that my sins are forgiven. Therefore, I don't have to worry about or be haunted by my past. But the journey towards authentic faith may look different with different people. Are questions okay? Is having doubts okay?

- 1. Read Luke 1:26-38 and Luke 1:41-49. What was something the Lord used to speak to you personally in this message?
- 2. If you are married talk about how your engagement went down. Was it different than a traditional Jewish engagement in Jesus' time? How would Mary have felt sharing the news with her parents? With her friends? With her fiancé? Do you think ANYONE understood her?
- 3. What two types of doubts can people have? How does **Proverbs 3:5-6** relate to someone who has questions?
- 4. What are your thoughts on what Pastor Michael stated; "Unless you've heard the Christian message and at some point found it to be impossible and a little nuts... I'm not sure you have ever really grasped it. If you've never stood and looked at the Gospel and found it ridiculous, impossible, inconceivable, I don't think you have really understood it."
- 5. Who in your life is a skeptic about the things of God? What are some ways for that person to begin a journey towards faith in Christ? What is their biggest barrier? Pray for that person with your group.