Sermon Notes

The Upside-Down Kingdom | Luke 1:39-56
Pastor Paul Bauman

Question - "Why Mary?"

KEY: The answer to this question reveals what matters most to the heart of God and how He accomplishes His purposes.

Mary's Social Status

Mary was a nobody from nowhere.

Mary's Spiritual Condition

- 1. Mary understood and trusted in the fulfillment of God's promises. (vs. 45)
- 2. Mary understood her need for a Savior. (vs. 46-48)
- 3. Mary found her hope and peace in the character of God. (vs. 48-55)

Final Thought

KEY: What matters most in God's upside-down kingdom is simple trust in Him; a humble posture before Him and a hunger and thirst for Him alone.



Events & Reminders

Sunday, December 10th, 2023

Cookie Reminder: Please leave Christmas cookies baked for tonight's College Dinner in the church kitchen by noon today.

Highschool Trip Info Meeting: Today at 12:30 PM in room 127.

College Dinner: Tonight from 5-7 PM at 1524 N. 2nd Street, Seward

Senior Connection Christmas Caroling: Friday, Dec. 15th at 6:30 PM at 651 Manor Dr. Bring a snack to share.

Children's Church Christmas Program Rehearsal: Friday, Dec. 15th 6-6:20 PM for preschool & kindergarten | 6:30-7:45 for 1st-5th grade

Children's Church Christmas Program: Sunday, Dec. 17th at 6:30 PM

Christmas Eve Services: Sunday, Dec. 24th at 5 PM & 7 PM

We will not have morning services, Sunday School, Children's Church, or nursery on December 24th.

Prayer Meeting: Tuesday, December 26th at 7 PM in room 108.

Church Office Closed: Dec. 25th and Jan. 1st.

New Year's Eve Services: Sunday, Dec. 31st at 8:30 AM & 11 AM

We will not have Sunday School on New Year's Eve. Nursery for O-2 will be available during both services.

Annual Meeting: Sunday, Jan. 14th at 4 PM in the sanctuary. Childcare will be available during the meeting for O-6 years old. Please preregister for childcare at hillcrestefc.org/childcare.

Ways to Give: Offering collection boxes are located by the sanctuary doors. You can also give online at hillcrestefc.org/give or on the Hillcrest Church app.

WIFI PASSWORD: Proverbs3:5-6

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