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## An Angel Visits Mary – Luke 1:26-38

There was a girl named Mary. One day Mary was going about her business when suddenly an angel appeared!

The angel told Mary that she had been chosen by God. Mary was very confused and frightened. She did not understand why God had chosen her.

The angel comforted her and assured her the surprising news was a gift from God. Mary was going to be the mother of Jesus, the Son of God.

Mary was still stunned and confused. She had many questions. However, the angel helped Mary know God was with her and God was giving her the special gift of a baby.

Her child would be the king of the Most High. This baby would share God's love with the whole world.

Mary was still a little unsure, but after listening to all the angel had to say, she accepted God's message and agreed to do God's will. Mary's life was forever changed by this message; the world would be changed too.

### Family Spiritual Practice

Read the story of Mary together. Every time you hear the word *angel* make a surprised face

**Wonder:** Have you ever received surprising news like Mary? What did it feel like? Why do you think God chose Mary to be the mother of Jesus?

**Do:** Surprise your friends and neighbors with messages of hope. You can write cards or draw pictures to share through the mail, or think of another way to share the good news.

**Pray:** Dear God, thank you for showing up in our lives in surprising ways. Amen.

