

Christmas Series
“The Message”
Lesson #1
12/14/25

Isaiah 7:14 *“Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel.”*

I. The message was delivered!

A. The message was delivered by an unusual angel.

****Luke 1:26** *“In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee.”*

Hebrews 1:14 *“Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?”*

B. The message was delivered in an unlikely city.

****Luke 1:26** *“In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee.”*

John 1:46 *“Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathaniel asked, “Come and see,” said Philip.”*

C. The message was delivered to an unknown lady.

****Luke 1:27** *“To a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary.”*

****Luke 1:28** *“The angel went to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.”*

****Luke 1:29** *“Mary was greatly troubled at His words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be.”*

****Luke 1:30** *“But the angel said to her, do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God.”*

D. The message is about the unbelievable birth of Jesus Christ.

****Luke 1:31** “You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus.”

Luke 19:10 “For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.”

2 Peter 3:9 “The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”

II. The message was described in detail!

A. Who is this child?

1. Jesus is great.

****Luke 1:32a** “He will be great ...”

John 8:58 “I tell you the truth,” Jesus answered, “before Abraham was born, I am!”

Hebrews 3:3 “Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as a builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself.”

Hebrews 1:6 “... Let all God’s angels worship Him.”

2. His name is great.

****Luke 1:32b** “... and will be called the Son of the Most High.

3. His reign will be great.

****Luke 1:32c** “... The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.”

Psalms 89:3 “You said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant,^[4] I will establish your line forever and make your throne firm through all generations.”

Psalms 89:29 “I will establish his line forever, his throne as long as the heavens endure.”

****Luke 1:33** “And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; His kingdom will never end.”

B. How will this child be conceived?

1. Mary stated her question.

****Luke 1:34** “How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?”

****Luke 1:35** “The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So, the holy One to be born will be called the Son of God.”

****Luke 1:36** “Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who is said to be barren is in her sixth month.”

****Luke 1:37** “For nothing is impossible with God.”

Jeremiah 32:17b “... Nothing is too hard for you”

Matthew 19:26b “... with God all things are possible.”

2. Mary surrendered to the plan and purpose of the Lord!

****Luke 1:38** “I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May it be to me as you have said.” Then the angel left her.”

How should we respond to God’s message?

A. We should put our faith in Jesus to be your Lord and Savior.

John 3:16 “For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

1 John 4:9 “This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him.”

1 Timothy 1:15 “Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst.”

2 Corinthians 9:15 “Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

2 Corinthians 9:15 TLB “Thank God for his Son—His Gift too wonderful for words.”

B. We should follow God’s message and obey.

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