

Favor and Blessing

Luke 1:26-45

Luke 1:26-28

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph a descendent of David. The virgins name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, "Greetings you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you!"

Luke 1:29-33

Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be.

But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son and you are to call him 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 Jacobs descendants forever, his kingdom will never end.”

Luke 1:34

“How will this be,” Mary asked
the angel, “Since I am a virgin?”

Luke 1:35-37

The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on 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.

Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. For no word from God will ever fail.”

Luke 1:38

**“I am the Lord’s servant, May
your word to me be fulfilled.”**

Then the angel left her.

Luke 1:39

**At that time Mary got ready
and hurried to a town in the
hill country of Judea where
she entered Zechariah's
home and greeted Elizabeth.**

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Luke 1:41-45

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. In a loud voice she exclaimed; "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear.

But why am I so favored that the mother of my Lord should come to me? As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill His promises to her."

Matthew 5:5-9

**Blessed are the meek, for they will
inherit the earth.**

**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst
for righteousness, for they will be filled.**

**Blessed are the merciful, for they will be
shown mercy.**

**Blessed are the pure in heart, for they
will see God.**

**Blessed are the peacemakers, for they
will be called the sons of God.**

Proverbs 17:3

The fining pot is for
silver, the furnace for
gold, but Jehovah
tries the heart.

