

The Birth of Jesus Prophesied - Luke 1:26-38

Topics:

Angels, Attitude, Faith, Greatness, Holy Spirit, Honor, Humility, Impossible, Jesus Christ, Miracles, Obedience, Serving, Trust

Reflection Questions

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B. How do you tend to react when you receive unexpected, good news?

Context Questions

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3. How did Mary feel when the angel appeared to her? (1:29-30)

4. How did Gabriel describe the child that would be born to Mary? (1:31-33)

5. What title would Jesus have? (1:32)

6. What Old Testament personalities were part of Jesus' royal line? (1:32-33)

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9. Why did Gabriel mention Elizabeth's pregnancy to Mary? (1:36-37)

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Understanding It Questions

12. What do Mary's responses to Gabriel tell us about the kind of people through whom God works?

13. In what different ways do people respond to the story of Christ's birth?

14. What difference does it make whether or not a person believes that the child born to Mary was really the Son of God?

15. How has the fact that "with God, nothing is impossible" taken root in your life?

16. In what ways would you say Mary's responses to Gabriel summarize what our relationship with God ought to be like?

Life Application Questions

17. What "impossibilities" in your life do you want to thank God for this week?

18. What can you do to maintain a servant's attitude as you live from day to day?

19. In what ways can you develop the kind of humble spirit that Mary had?

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Welcome to Bible Study



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AGENDA

- Welcome
- Prayer
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- Reflection Questions
- Lesson Introduction
- Scripture Reference
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- Checking for Understanding
- Life Application
- Announcements
- Prayer



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Introduction

Today's Bible Study begins a 4-part Christmas Bible Study and sermon series entitled "Looking For The Real Jesus"—The Birth of Jesus Prophesied, Materialized, Publicized, and Certified.



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1:26-38, The Birth of Jesus
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Word Play

Prophecy:

..."a message from God" that may or may not include foretelling the future.
(ex. Matthew 13:14-15)

Prophecy:

..."to speak forth for God." Prophecy is the verb form of the noun prophecy.



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Scripture Text

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²⁹ Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. ³⁰ "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God! ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David.



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³⁴ Mary asked the angel, “But how can this happen? I am a virgin.”

³⁵ The angel replied, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God.



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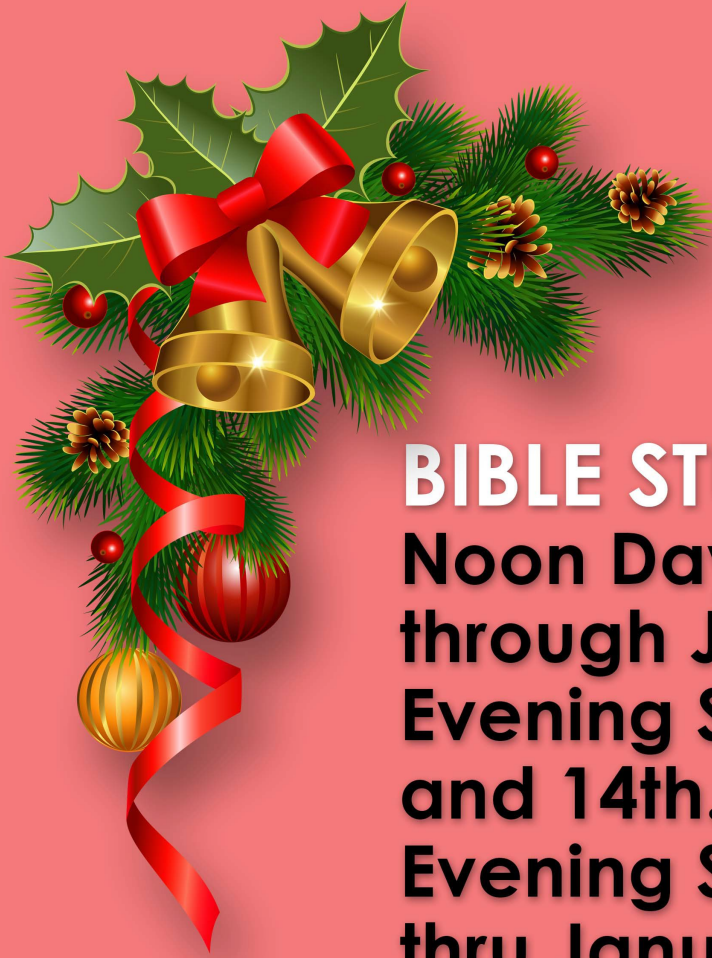
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*Understanding It Questions
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And
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Church Holiday Schedule

BIBLE STUDY:

Noon Day Studies are cancelled November 23rd through January 11, 2023.

Evening Studies (7:00pm) will meet Nov. 30th, Dec 7th and 14th.

Evening Studies will be cancelled Nov. 23rd, Dec. 21st thru January 4th.

CHURCH CLOSED:

November 25th, December 23rd, December 26th, December 30th and January 2, 2023.



New Hope's
Reverend Valerie Crump
Will be Preaching the Word of God
Sunday, December 4, 2022 Worship Service

VOTING FOR PASTOR INFORMATION

Voting for New Hope's new pastor will be Sunday, December 11, 2022 following church service. The voting poll will be open 12:30 - 5:00pm.

Before coming to vote, please be sure your church membership is active. If you are not sure, for verification, please contact your Deacon or the Church Office. Office telephone is 248-353-0675 and Office Hours are 10:00am - 2:00pm, Monday - Thursday.

Please "Stay Tuned"! More details will be coming in the near future regarding the voting process.

Scripture: "...and I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding." Jer 3:15 KJV

Thank You