



Mary was asked to take a step of faith and believe that God can do the seemingly impossible. Describe a time when God asked you, like Mary, to take a step of faith. How did it turn out? How did God meet you?

Read Luke 1:26-45

- 1. What do you learn about Jesus Christ from the angel's announcement (vv. 30-33)?
- 2. How does Gabriel's word to Mary compare with his word to Zechariah (vv. 13-17)?
- 3. Why do you think the angel Gabriel told Mary about Elizabeth's pregnancy?
- 4. How do you think Mary felt about the angel's message foretelling her miraculous pregnancy? How do you think she felt when Elizabeth greeted her? How would you feel if you were Mary?
- 5. What did Mary risk in saying "yes" to God? What did she gain? Read 2 Samuel 7:6-16
- 6. Compare these verses with vv. 31-33. How does God fulfill his promise to David?



Luke 1:45 states, "And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord." Do you believe that the Lord will fulfill his promises in your life?

▶After the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary, she responded in faith, stating, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word" (v. 38). How is Mary's faith an example to you? How can

we respond in kind when the Lord leads us?

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At the time of Jesus' birth, Mary did not know the full extent of His ministry to come. She simply trusted God to fulfill His promises and to provide whatever she needed along the way. May our faith be as strong as Mary's faith! May we also say "yes" to God's plan for us. Listen to the song, read the lyrics, and/or sing along to "Mary, Did You Know?"