**Series: God With Us**

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**Luke 1:26-38**

26In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, 27to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. 28The angel went to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.”

29Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. 30But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. 31You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. 32He 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, 33and he will reign over Jacob’s descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.”

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

35The 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[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=luke+1&version=NIV#fen-NIV-24929b)] the Son of God. 36Even 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. 37For no word from God will ever fail.”

38“I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May your word to me be fulfilled.” Then the angel left her.

**Matthew 21:28-31**

28“What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work today in the vineyard.’

29“‘I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.

30“Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I will, sir,’ but he did not go.

31“Which of the two did what his father wanted?”

**Luke 1:46-55**

46And Mary said:

“My soul glorifies the Lord  
47    and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,  
48for he has been mindful  
    of the humble state of his servant.  
From now on all generations will call me blessed,  
49    for the Mighty One has done great things for me—  
    holy is his name.  
50His mercy extends to those who fear him,  
    from generation to generation.  
51He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;  
    he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.  
52He has brought down rulers from their thrones  
    but has lifted up the humble.  
53He has filled the hungry with good things  
    but has sent the rich away empty.  
54He has helped his servant Israel,  
    remembering to be merciful  
55to Abraham and his descendants forever,  
    just as he promised our ancestors.”