## A Journey to the Nativity

Part 3
Mary: Trust God for the Impossible



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## **An Amazing Appearance**

God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you!" Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean.

"Don't be frightened, Mary," the angel told her, "for God has decided to bless you! You will become pregnant and have a son, and you are to name Him Jesus. He will be very great and will be called the Son of God. And the Lord God will give Him the throne of His ancestor David. And He will reign over Israel forever; His Kingdom will never end!"

Mary asked the angel, "But how can I have a baby? I am a virgin."

The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of God will overshadow you. So the baby born to you will be called the holy Son of God .... For nothing is impossible with God."

Luke 1:26-37

## The Christmas story begins with $\dots$

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•	Abraham
•	Moses
•	John the Baptist
•	Peter
•	Paul
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Mary responded: "I am the Lord's servant, and I am willing to <u>accept</u> whatever He wants. May everything you have said come true." (Luke 1:38)

What did Mary risk in order to obey God and have the Christ Child?

•	Family
•	Public
•	The loss of her
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Not only did God choose Mary, but Mary chose God!