

Story 90A: God Chose the Mother of His Son

God sent the angel Gabriel to the town of Nazareth. He had a message for a young virgin named Mary. She was engaged to Joseph, a descendant of King David. The angel appeared to Mary and said, "You are blessed. God is with you." Mary was confused. The angel said, "Don't be afraid. God is happy with you. You will have a son. Name him Jesus. He will be the Son of God Most High. He will be a king like his ancestor David. He will rule Israel forever." Mary asked the angel, "How can this happen? I am not married!" The angel said, "The Holy Spirit will come over you and cause you to become pregnant. Your child will be called the Holy Son of God. Nothing is impossible for God!" Mary said, "I am the Lord's servant. I will do what God says."

Read this story in the Bible in Luke 1: 26-38

Words to Know

message - information sent by one person to another

virgin - unmarried woman who has not had sexual intercourse

engaged - to be promised to marry a specific person

descendant - a member of the family of someone who lived in the past

confused - to be uncertain or to not understand

ancestor - someone in your family who lived before you

rule - have authority or power over someone or something

Questions

1. Why did God send the angel Gabriel to the town of Nazareth?
2. Who was Mary? Who was she engaged to?
3. What was the first thing the angel said to Mary?
4. How did Mary feel after the angel greeted her?
5. What did the angel say to help Mary feel calm?
6. What message did the angel give Mary?
7. What question did Mary ask the angel?
8. Who would cause Mary to become pregnant?
9. What things are impossible for God?
10. What was Mary's response to what God wanted her to do?

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