

INTRODUCTION

- * Three weeks ago we began studying "The Gospel According to Luke." Luke's desire was to present an orderly account of the ministry of Jesus the Christ in order that those who heard could be assured of the verity of the testimony they had heard.
- * Two weeks ago, we saw that Luke began his orderly account with the Angelic Announcement to Zacharias regarding the birth of John. Zacharias needed a "sign" to truly believe the message that Gabriel was proclaiming to him. Therefore, Gabriel declared that Zacharias would be mute for the next nine months, until the birth of his son.
- * Today, we transition to another Angelic Announcement by Gabriel, this time to Mary.

INSTRUCTION**I. THE SETTING (v. 26-27)****A. The Timing****B. The Angel** (cf. Daniel 8:16; 9:21; Luke 1:19)**C. The Location** (cf. Isaiah 11:1)**D. The Individual (v. 27)**

1. A V _____ (cf. Isaiah 7:14; ; Matthew 1:23; Acts 21:9; 2 Corinthians 11:2; Revelation 14:4)
2. A B _____

II. THE GREETING:**A. Gabriel's Respect**

1. YOU ARE ONE WHO HAS BEEN "GRACED" (v. 28a)
2. YOU ARE ONE WHO HAS BEEN "BLESSED" (v. 28b)

B. Mary's Reaction (v. 29) (cf. Mt 2:3; 14:26; Jn 5:4,7; 11:33; 12:27; 13:21; 14:1,27)**C. Gabriel's Response (v. 30)****III. THE MESSAGE****A. Regarding the Mother (v. 30-31)**

1. YOU HAVE F _____
2. YOU WILL C _____
3. YOU WILL B _____
4. YOU WILL C _____

B. Regarding the Child (v. 32-33)

1. HE WILL BE G _____
2. HE WILL BE C _____ (cf. Luke 1:32,35, 76; 2:14; 6:35; 8:28; Acts 7:48; 16:17; Hebrews 7:1)
3. HE WILL BE G _____ (cf. 2 Sam 7:11-13; Psalm 132:11; Isaiah 9:6-7; Jer 23:5-6; 33:15-17; Ezek 37:24-25)

IV. THE RESPONSE**A. The Wonder (v. 30-31)****B. The Miracle (v. 30-31)**

1. THE H _____
2. THE P _____ (cf. Matt 17:5; Mark 9:7; Luke 9:34; ... Acts 5:15)

C. The Submission (v. 38)**D. The Contrast**

1. CONSIDERING T _____ (cf. Gen 18:14; Jer 32:17; Lk 18:27; Eph 3:20-21)
2. CONSIDERING T _____ (cf. Lk 12:42-48; James 3:1)

INTROSPECTION

- * Do you believe that God can do great things?
- * Do you believe that He can do great things ... in, and through, you?
- * Is there something with which God is currently challenging you - in order to stretch, or express, your faith in Him?
- * Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * How can we best encourage one another to grow in our faith in God?