

**Here are the songs we sang this Sunday. This shows the song name, the artist who performed the song, and the cd that contains the song.**

*For Unto Us/Open the Eyes* – **Paul Baloche** – *Christmas Worship Vol. 2*

*Angels We Have Heard on High* – **Traditional Carol**

*O Come All Ye Faithful* – **Traditional Carol**

*Glory in the Highest* – **Chris Tomlin** – *Christmas Songs of Worship*

*Mary Did You Know* – **Gaither Vocal Band** – *Still the Greatest Story Ever Told*

*Celebrate His  
Birth*



*When Life  
Takes a  
Detour*



*Luke 1:26-56 & 2:1-52*



## *Luke 1:26-38*

*<sup>26</sup> In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, <sup>27</sup> to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary.*

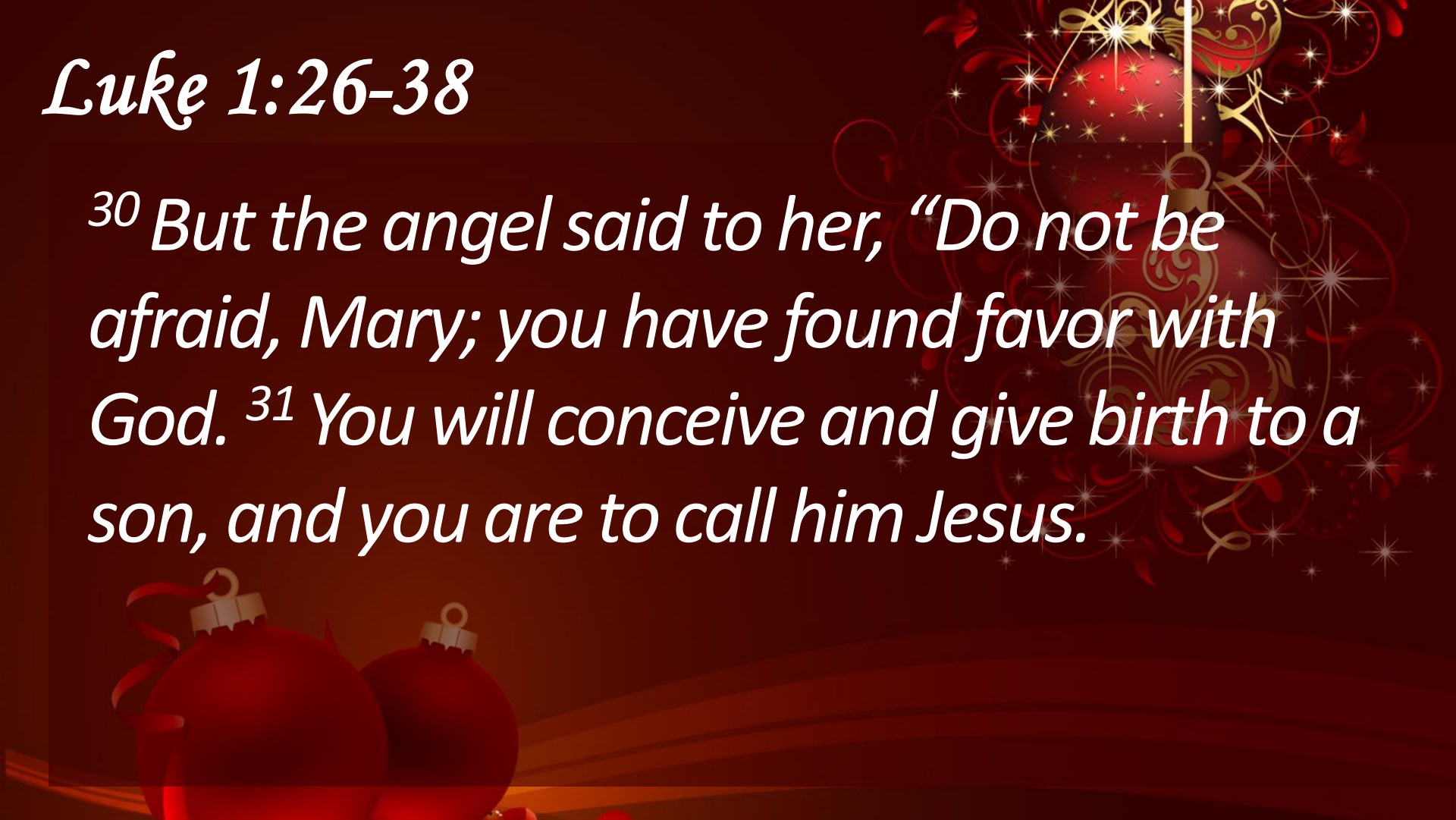
## *Luke 1:26-38*

*28 The angel went to her and said,  
“Greetings, you who are highly favored! The  
Lord is with you.”*

*29 Mary was greatly troubled at his words  
and wondered what kind of greeting this  
might be.*

## *Luke 1:26-38*

*<sup>30</sup> But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup> You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.*



## *Luke 1:26-38*

*<sup>32</sup> He 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, <sup>33</sup> and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."*



## *Luke 1:26-38*

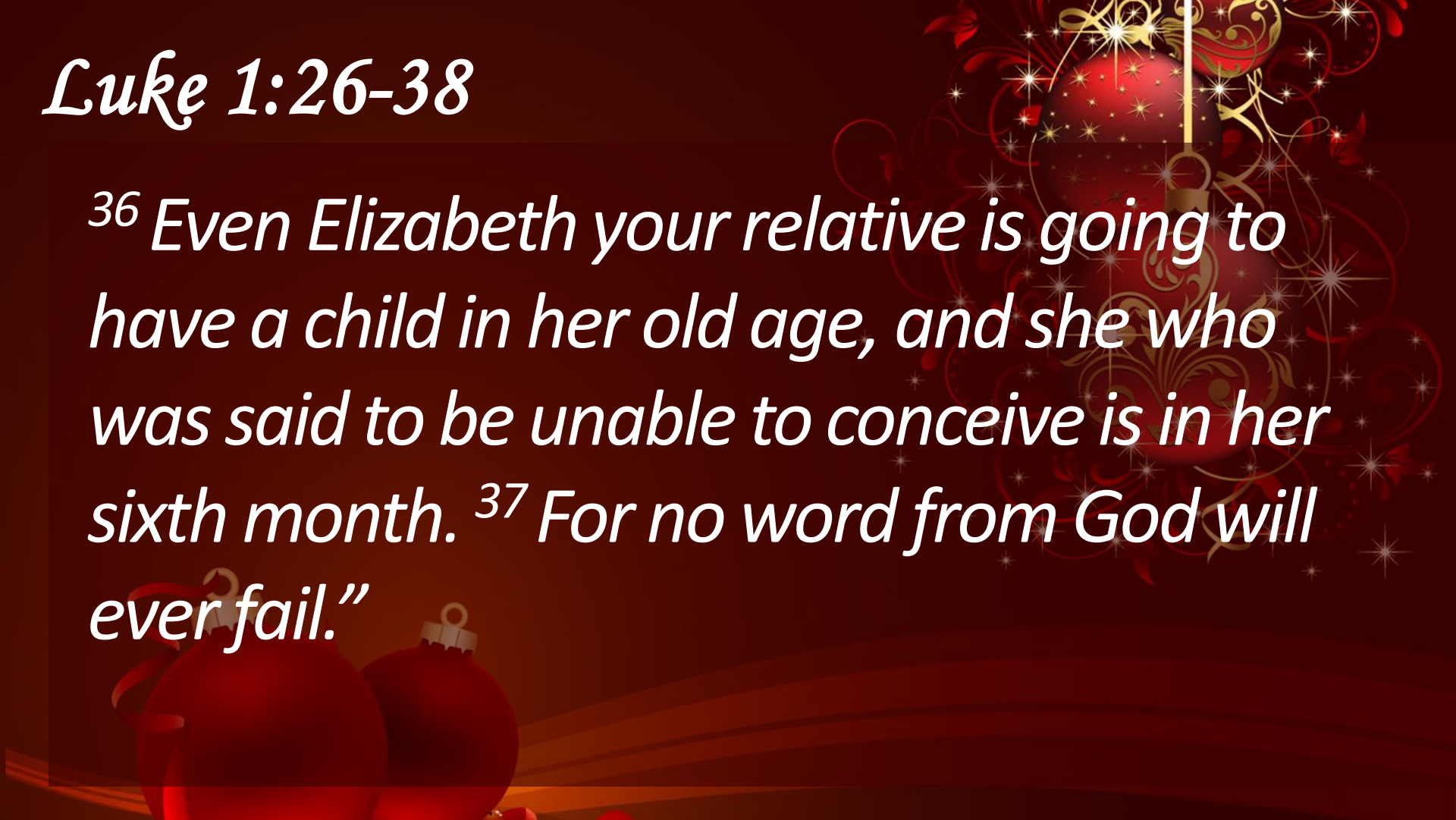
*34 “How will this be,” Mary asked the angel,  
“since I am a virgin?”*

*35 The 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 the Son of God.*



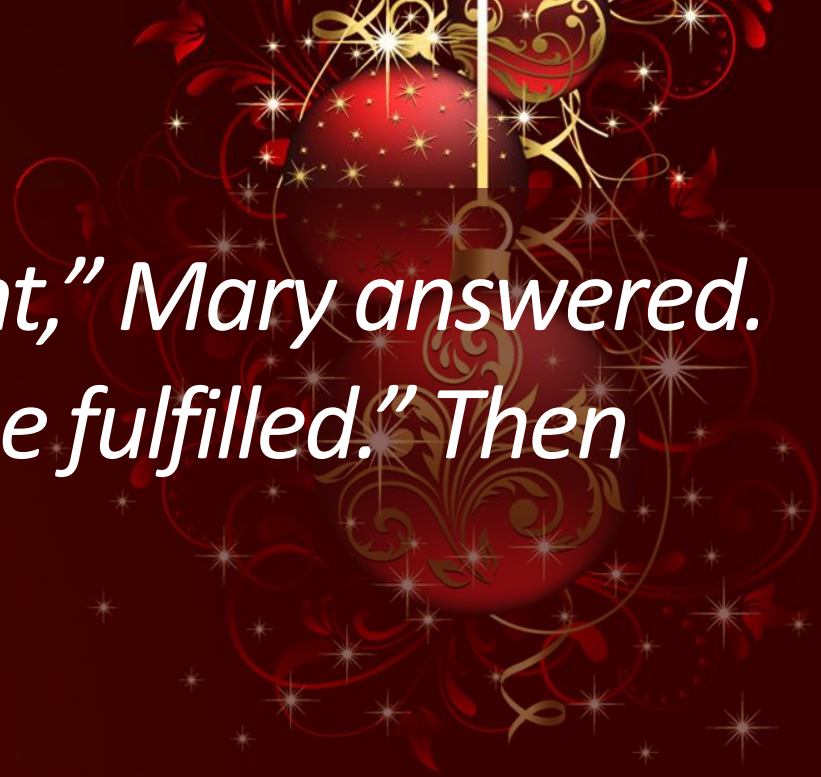
## *Luke 1:26-38*

*<sup>36</sup> Even 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. <sup>37</sup> For no word from God will ever fail.”*



## *Luke 1:26-38*

*38 "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered.  
"May your word to me be fulfilled." Then  
the angel left her.*



*Trust God*



# *Trust God*

## **Luke 1:11-20**

- “he was troubled” (v.12)
- “the angel said to him” (v. 13)
- “Do not be afraid” (v. 13)
- “will bear a son” (v. 13)
- “and you will name him” (v. 13)
- “he will be great” (v. 15)
- “said the angel” (v.18)
- “And replying, the angel said to him” (v.19)
- “Gabriel... God... sent” (v. 19)
- “and now” (v.20)

## **Luke 1:28-38**

- “she was troubled” (v.28)
- “the angel said to her” (v. 30)
- “Do not be afraid” (v. 30)
- “you will... bear a son” (v. 31)
- “and you will name him” (v. 31)
- “he will be great” (v. 32)
- “said the angel” (v.34)
- “And replying, the angel said to her” (v.35)
- “Gabriel... ..sent... God” (v. 26)
- “and now” (v.36)



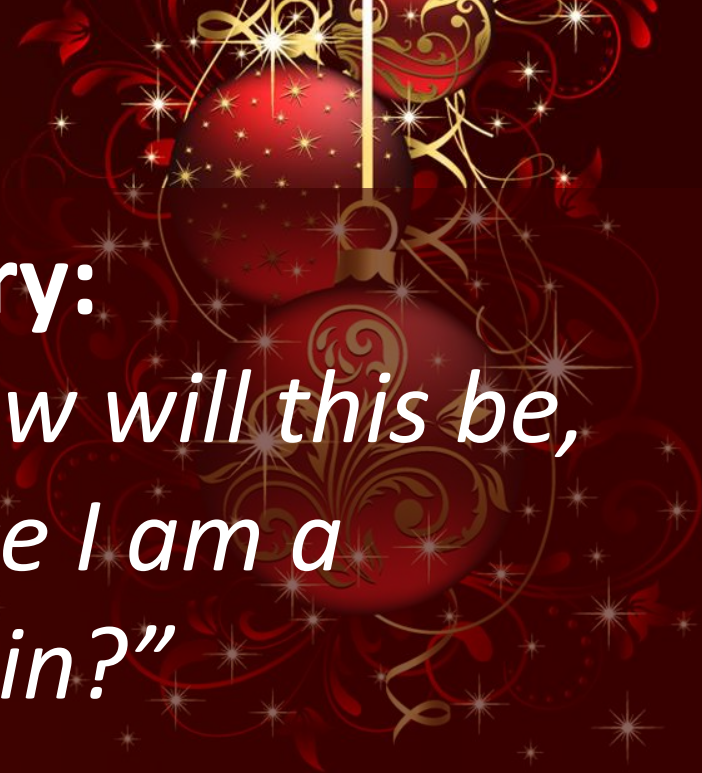
# *Trust God*

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**Mary:**

*“How will this be, since I am a virgin?”*



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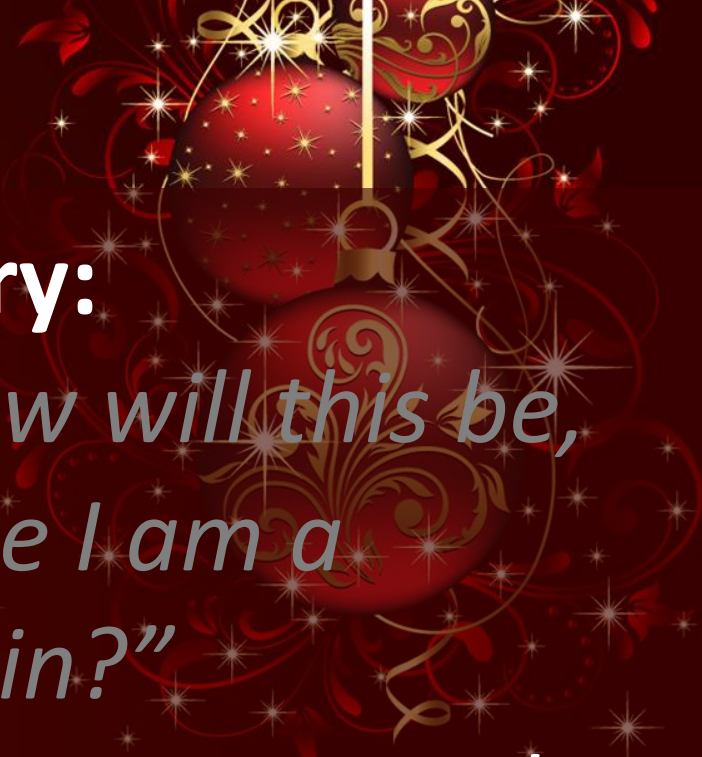
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*“May your word to me be fulfilled”*



# *Submit to God's will*

- *Luke 1:38 (ESV)*

*<sup>38</sup> And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word."*



*Focus on God's character  
and worship Him*





# *Focus on God's character and worship Him*

- *Luke 1:46-56*

*<sup>46</sup> And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord*

*<sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,*

*<sup>48</sup> for he has been mindful*

*of the humble state of his servant.*



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- *Luke 1:46-56*

*From now on all generations will call me  
blessed,*

*<sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great  
things for me— holy is his name.*

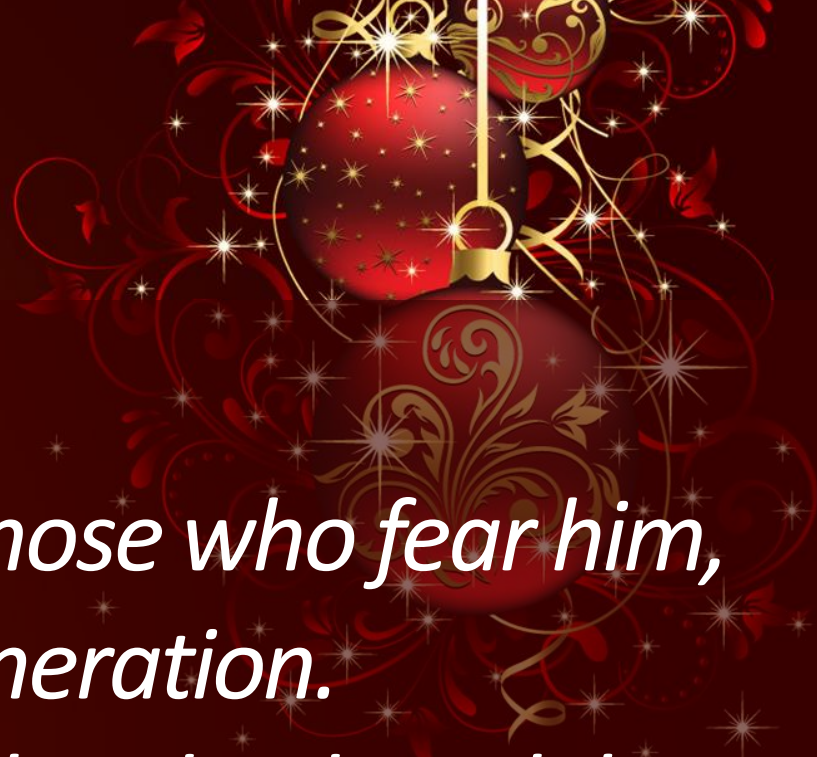


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- *Luke 1:46-56*

*<sup>50</sup> His mercy extends to those who fear him,  
from generation to generation.*

*<sup>51</sup> He has performed mighty deeds with his  
arm;*



# *Focus on God's character and worship Him*

- *Luke 1:46-56*

*he has scattered those who are proud in  
their inmost thoughts.*

*<sup>52</sup> He has brought down rulers from their  
thrones but has lifted up the humble.*





# *Focus on God's character and worship Him*

- *Luke 1:46-56*

*53 He has filled the hungry with good things  
but has sent the rich away empty.*

*54 He has helped his servant Israel,  
remembering to be merciful*



# *Focus on God's character and worship Him*

- *Luke 1:46-56*

*<sup>55</sup> to Abraham and his descendants forever,  
just as he promised our ancestors.”*

*<sup>56</sup> Mary stayed with Elizabeth for about  
three months and then returned home.*



# *Focus on God's character and worship Him*

- *Hebrews 13:15*

*<sup>15</sup> Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.*





- *Luke 2:15-19*

*<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”*





- *Luke 2:15-19*

*<sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.*



- *Luke 2:15-19*

*<sup>17</sup> When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.*



- *Luke 2:15-19*

*<sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things  
and pondered them in her heart.*



- *Luke 2:46-51*

*<sup>46</sup> After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.*





- *Luke 2:46-51*

*47 Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. 48 When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him,*



- *Luke 2:46-51*

*“Son, why have you treated us like this?  
Your father and I have been anxiously  
searching for you.”*



- *Luke 2:46-51*

*<sup>49</sup> “Why were you searching for me?” he asked. “Didn’t you know I had to be in my Father’s house?” <sup>50</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying to them.*



- *Luke 2:46-51*

*51 Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart.*



*Don't doubt in the darkness what  
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# *When life takes a detour...*

- *Trust God*
- *Surrender to God's will*
- *Focus on God's character  
and worship Him*
- *Don't doubt in darkness  
what God has shown you in the light*

