## Glenwood Baptist Church

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Worship Service

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## **SONGS OF CHRISTMAS**

Lesson Two • Luke 1:26-56 (46-55)

Mary's Song

#### The Theme of Mary's Song

Rejoice and magnify the LORD, for He is worthy to be worshiped.

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior." Luke 1:46-47

#### Two Extremes:

People either <u>MAGNIFY</u> Mary so much that Jesus takes second place or they IGNORE Mary altogether and fail to give her the honor she deserves.

"He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." Luke 1:32-33

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" Luke 1:42

"For behold He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed." Luke 1:48

### Mary's Song

## 1. Rejoice, God Proves the IMPOSSIBLE Is Possible!

"For with God nothing will be impossible." Luke 1:37

- Mary's SURPRISE: she is visited by the angel, Gabriel. Luke 1:26-33
- Mary's SURRENDER: she believed the promise of the angel. Luke 1:34-45

### 2. Rejoice, God Chooses the IMPROBABLE to Bless!

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.

For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name.

And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation." Luke 1:46-50

- God REDEEMS sinners like Mary.
- God REGARDS the humble like Mary.

# 3. Rejoice, God Accomplishes the <u>IMPLAUSIBLE</u> in His Mercy!

"He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever." Luke 1:51-55

- God REVERSES the word's standards.
- God REMEMBERS His promise to Abraham.

#### Like Mary, Do You Have Anything to Sing About?

You do, if God has <u>SAVED</u> you from your sins and <u>BLESSED</u> you for eternity through faith in His Son Jesus Christ.

And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins. Matthew 1:21

Then the King will say to those on His right, "Come, you who are blessed by My Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world." Matthew 25:34

Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

Revelation 20:6