

CHRISTMAS *Joy*
Joy through Gestation
Luke 1:38-55
December 21, 2025

Luke 1:38 *Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." And then the angel left her.*

1. Be _____ for God to _____ you

- Have a _____ relationship with God
- See yourself as God's _____
- Give God _____

2. Stay ready through the _____ period

Luke 1:46-55

Where did Mary get her poem?

1 Samuel 1:11, 2:1, 7, Psalms 71:19, 50:1, 103:17, 89:10, 107:9, 98:3, 105:8-9

- **Feed on God's _____!** Deut. 32:46-47, 2 Tim. 3:16-17, Matt. 4:21, 1 Pet. 5:10
- **Be prepared for _____**

Matthew 1:18-20 *This is how Jesus the Messiah was born. His mother, Mary, was engaged to be married to Joseph. But before the marriage took place, while she was still a virgin, she became pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit. Joseph, to whom she was engaged, was a righteous man and did not want to disgrace her publicly, so he decided to break the engagement quietly.*

As he considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream. "Joseph, son of David," the angel said, "do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife. For the child within her was conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Live under _____

Protect _____

Matthew 2:13

Mark 3:20-21 *One time Jesus entered a house, and the crowds began to gather again. Soon he and his disciples couldn't even find time to eat. When his family heard what was happening, they tried to take him away. "He's out of his mind," they said.*

Live with _____

Luke 2:34-35 *Then Simeon blessed them, and he said to Mary, the baby's mother, "This child is destined to cause many in Israel to fall, and many others to rise. He has been sent as a sign from God, but many will oppose him. As a result, the deepest thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your very soul."*

Get acquainted with _____

Bottom Line:

**Since joy is a future reality experienced in the _____, focus on the new
_____ God wants to _____ in your life.**