

MARY: THE REAL LIFE OF FAITH

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When Challenged To Believe It Often Leads To:

I _____.

- A) The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. Luke 1:28-29 (NIV)
- B) Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. Luke 1:29
- C) We get confused because we don't understand:

1) Who _____ are.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

2) Who _____ is.

(a) "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God!" Luke 1:30

(b) I am leaving you with a gift - peace of mind and heart. The peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid. John 14:27

II _____.

- A) Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin." Luke 1:34
- B) For nothing is impossible with God. Luke 1:37
- C) You look:

1) _____ you.

The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy & he will be called the Son of God. Luke 1:35

2) _____ you.

3) _____ you.

III _____.

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

Where Does Faith Lead?

- I For Mary and Joseph and Jesus, faith led to _____.
- A) After the wise men were gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up! Flee to Egypt with the child and his mother," the angel said. "Stay there until I tell you to return, because Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." Matthew 2:13
- B) Faith can lead to _____.
- II For Mary & Joseph and Jesus, faith led to the _____.
- A) When Jesus was twelve years old, they attended the festival as usual. After the celebration was over, they started home to Nazareth, but Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents didn't miss him at first, because they assumed he was among the other travelers. But when he didn't show up that evening, they started looking for him among their relatives & friends. Luke 2:42-44
- B) His parents didn't know what to think. "Son," his mother said to him, "why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been frantic, searching for you everywhere." "But why did you need to search?" he asked. "Didn't you know that I must be in my Father's house?" Luke 2:48-49
- C) Faith leads to _____.
- III Faith led to a wedding in _____.
- A) The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine." John 2:3
- B) Faith leads to _____.
- IV Faith led Mary to the foot of a _____.
- A) Standing near the cross were Jesus' mother, and his mother's sister, Mary (the wife of Clopas), and Mary Magdalene. John 19:25
- B) Faith leads to a _____.
- V Faith led Mary through the resurrection of Jesus to the _____.
- A) They all met together and were constantly united in prayer, along with Mary the mother of Jesus, several other women, and the brothers of Jesus. Acts 1:14
- B) Faith leads to _____.
- VI But faith begins with _____.
- Mary responded, "Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! For he took notice of his lowly servant girl, and from now on all generations will call me blessed. For the Mighty One is holy, and he has done great things for me. He shows mercy from generation to generation to all who fear him. Luke 1:46-50