

**Series "Knowing The Exact Truth"**  
**"The Annunciation"**  
**Luke 1:26-38**  
**Study-3**

**Our Passage Is Commonly referred to as "The Annunciation of the Lord"  
The Announcement**

Luke is the reliable historical account of the life of Jesus Christ. **"Knowing The Exact Truth" Luke 1:4**

**Luke's Purpose: "Knowing The Exact Truth About Jesus Christ"**

**Theme Of Luke: "Jesus Christ The Perfect Man" Written to Greeks**

**Luke 1:1-4:13 The Introduction Of The Son Of Man:**

**Thought Of Our Passage:** "God Became Man Through The Miracle Of The Virgin Birth To A Woman Of Great Faith."

- 1. Verses 26-33 God Became Man**
- 2. Verses 34-35 The Virgin Birth**
- 3. Verses 36-38 Mary's Great Faith**

**1. Verses 26-33 God Became Man**

**Luke 1:26 Now** Context – The angel Gabriel appeared to the priest Zacharias to announce that his barren wife Elizabeth would bear John the Baptist.

**in the sixth month** - Luke records a six-month lapse of time

**the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city in Galilee, called Nazareth,** - God is now dispatching the angel to a little town in Galilee.

**Nazareth** – was a town 70 miles North-East of Jerusalem. The Jews looked at this city as unclean because it was a mixture of Jew and Gentile filled with compromise and reproach. **John 1:46**

**Luke 1:27 to a virgin** - The Bible emphasizes this because of the birth that is going to take place.

**engaged to a man** – *Now, this took place when the girl was about 12 to 12 ½ years of age. The marriages were prearranged, which could be*

*decided upon years in advance by the parents. A ceremony was performed publicly then; the last step was the engagement which took place about a year before the official wedding. Deuteronomy 22:23*

**whose name was Joseph, - The name Joseph – "to act or add"**

**of the descendants of David; - had the kingly line**

**and the virgin's name was Mary.** The name **Mary – very common name.**

**Luke 1:28 "Greetings, favored one! - "unmerited, undeserved grace from God!" (KJV said, Hail, thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee)**

**The Humility of Mary:** She was a humble servant of God!

**KJV: blessed art thou among women.**

Notice it does not say: **blessed art thou Above women.**

**Douai Version derived from the Latin Vulgate "Hail Mary full of grace"**

**Luke 1:48 from this time on all generations will count me blessed.**

**The Lord is with you."** This started all the way back in **Genesis 3:15**

**Luke 1:29 very perplexed at this statement,**

Mary was *"puzzled, having a great difficulty to understand"*

**The Spiritual Depth of Mary: and kept pondering –**

*"to take an inventory, estimate, reason, reckon, suppose, think"*

**Psalm 119:78 But I shall meditate on Your precepts.**

**Luke 1:30 The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary;**

**Same response as Daniel, Zacharias, and the shepherd's**

**for you have found favor with God.**

Mary was pleasing and brought pleasure to God. **Hebrews 11:6**

**Luke 1:31 you will conceive in your womb, and bear a son,**

You are going to have a son. Which is known as "The Virgin Birth"

**Jesus – "Salvation"** Hebrew **Joshua** means "Jehovah saves" Or "Jehovah is salvation"

**Luke 1:32 "He will be great,**  
He will be God in flesh. **Isaiah 9:6 "Mighty God"**

**and will be called the Son of the Most High;**  
term for God OT **Genesis 14:19; Psalm 7:10; Luke 6:35; 8:28**  
Jesus is God, being His Son! **John 5:18**

**God Would Become Man: Incarnation** - Though the word itself does not appear in Scripture, its components ("*in*" and "*flesh*") do.

**John 1:14 the Word became flesh.** He also wrote of Jesus  
**(1 John 4:2; 2 John 7) coming in the flesh**

**Isaiah 700 years before Jesus' birth described God in Flesh.**

**Isaiah 7:14 Immanuel** "*the very presence of the virgin-born Child brings God to His people*"

**Isaiah 9:6**

**Mighty God** means: "*The hero God*" Thus the phrase means: "*a hero whose chief characteristic is that He is God*"

**Jesus, for all practical purposes, was "God With Skin On"**

**Hebrews 2:17**

**God Becoming Man Is Miraculous: So He Could Be The Perfect Sacrifice For Sin! Romans 6:23**

**Romans 5:6-8**

**and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David;**  
**Davidic Covenant 2 Samuel 7:8-16** 1000 years earlier, the Jews understood this to be the Messiah.

**Luke 1:33 and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever,**  
The promise goes back to **Genesis 12** with Abraham that through his seed he would bless the world.

**and His kingdom will have no end."**

The kingdom of God will be forever. In **Psalm 2; Daniel 2; 7**

**God Becoming Man Is Miraculous: God Became Man So That God Could Be The Perfect Sacrifice For Man's Sin.**

## **2. Verses 34-35 The Virgin Birth**

**Luke 1:34**

**Mary Believed In God's Power: "How can this be, since I am a virgin?"** *"How can this be, since I have not known a man sexually?"*

**Mary's question was not that of unbelief like Zacharias** which was not willing to believe what was said but it was **a question that was biological:**

**Scriptures Emphasize That Mary Was A Virgin: Luke 1:27**

**The OT Foretold This Miracle: Isaiah 7:14**

**Matthew 1:18,20**

**Luke 1:35 overshadow** – the word "overshadow with a cloud, describes God's presence in the sanctuary" *Speaks of a conscience experience transfiguration* **Matthew 17:5**

**Why is the virgin birth so important?**

**John 3:6; 1 John 5:1**

**and for that reason the holy offspring shall be called the Son of God. Not only the Son Of Man but the Son Of God. The Virgin Birth Is Miraculous: It proves Jesus was divine.**

## **3. Verses 36-38 Mary's Great Faith**

**Luke 1:36 And behold, even your relative Elizabeth has also conceived a son in her old age; Luke 1:34**

**God gives a sign to Mary by breaking the silence about Elizabeth's impending birth.**

**Luke 1:37 "For nothing will be impossible with God."** literally *"for not impossible will be every word with God"*

God's words to Sarah who laughed at her having a child. **Genesis 18:14**

**Luke 1:38**

**Mary, By Faith, Gave Herself In Submission To God: "Behold, the bondslave "*slave-girl*" of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word."  
Matthew 1:19**

**We must open our souls to all that God can do for us!**

**Application:**

- 1. Like Mary, We To Need To Cultivate A Humble Heart.** We Do Not Deserve God's Favor; We Cannot Earn God's Favor. By Faith And Humility, We Can Experience God's Favor.
- 2. Like Mary, We To Need To Nurture A Reflective Heart.** A Heart That Meditates On God's Word.
- 3. Like Mary, We To Need To Cultivate A Believing Heart.** Taking God At His Word Even Though We Don't Fully Understand.
- 4. Like Mary, We To Need To Cultivate A Submissive Heart.** We Need To See Ourselves As Bondslaves Of The Lord Making Ourselves Available For God's Purposes.