

WILL I ACCEPT GOD'S DESTINY FOR ME?

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MARY'S QUESTION

"In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 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 1:26-29 (NIV)

"The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. 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, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.'" Luke 1:30-33 (NIV)

"How will this be, since I am a virgin?' And the angel answered her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.'" Luke 1:34-37 (ESV)

"Mary said, 'I am the Lord's servant, and I am willing to do whatever he wants. May everything you said come true.' And then the angel disappeared." Luke 1:38 (TLB)

WHY GOD'S DESTINY FOR ME IS BEST

Mary's Song: Luke 1:46-55

1.

"Mary said: 'My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.'" Luke 1:46-47 (NIV)

"Know that the Lord is God. He made us, and we belong to him; we are his people." Psalm 100:3 (NCV)

2.

"For he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant." Luke 1:48 (NIV)

3.

"From now on, all people will say that I am blessed, because the Powerful One has done great things for me. His name is holy. God will show his mercy forever and ever to those who worship and serve him." Luke 1:48-50 (NCV)

4.

"He has done mighty deeds by his power. He has scattered the people who are proud and think great things about themselves. He has brought down rulers from their thrones and raised up the humble. He has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away with nothing." Luke 1:51-53 (NCV)

5.

"He has kept the promise he made to our ancestors, and has come to the help of his servant Israel. He has remembered to show mercy to Abraham and to all his descendants forever!" Luke 1:54-55 (GNT)

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