



The First Christmas Carol

Luke 1:46-55



The Magnificat

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Luke 1:1-25
UNBELIEF
& DOUBT



Luke 1:26-38
FAITH &
SUBMISSION



Luke 1:39-45
SEEKING
CONFIRMATION



Luke 1:46-55
SONG OF PRAISE





Luke 1:46-47

*My soul proclaims
the greatness of the Lord,
and my spirit has rejoiced
in God my Savior,*

- For Mary

She focused not on her life but on God, His greatness and deliverance

- For Us

We need to move our focus away from self to who God is and what He has done



Luke 1:48

*Because He has looked with favor
on the humble condition of*

His slave.

*Surely, from now on all
generations*

will call me blessed,

- For Mary

She understood she was in the purpose of God to fulfill a special task.

- For Us

We need to understand that we are special to accomplish the purpose of God in our world

Ephesians 2:4-6

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶ and raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus,

Ephesians 2:7-10

⁷ that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in *His* kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.



Luke 1:49

*Because the Mighty One
has done
great things for me,
and His name is holy.*

- For Mary

She understood greatness and blessing come from what God does for us.

- For Us

We need to understand that greatness and blessing are not from our own efforts, but being used for His purpose



Luke 1:50

*His mercy is from
generation to generation
on those who fear Him*

- For Mary

She understood God's mercy – giving what she did not deserve

- For Us

We need to understand that God's mercy is for those who fear Him – not deserved, but desperately need



Luke 1:51

*He has done a mighty deed
with His arm;
He has scattered the proud
because of the thoughts
of their hearts;*

- For Mary

She understood God
moved past the proud

- For Us

We need to understand
that God opposes those
proud in their hearts.



Luke 1:52-53

*He has toppled the mighty
from their thrones and
exalted the lowly.*

*He has satisfied the hungry
with good things and sent
the rich away empty.*

- For Mary

She understood God
holiness helps poor
abandons the mighty are
rich

- For Us

We need to understand
that our satisfaction with
position and things can
hinder the work of God



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Jesus talked about

- Man with many goods and needed to build new barns
- Lazarus and the poor man
- Wealth but emptiness in their souls



Luke 1:54-55

*He has helped His
servant Israel,
mindful of His mercy,
just as He spoke to our
ancestors, to Abraham and
his descendants forever.*

- For Mary

She understood God remembers His mercy that He spoke to her ancestors

- For Us

We need to remember that God is faithful to what He has set as His purpose for us in the world.



Luke 1:46-55

- *Human Praise*
- *God's Mercy*
- *God's Purposes*
- *God's Working*
- *Mercy to Generations to those who fear Him*
- *God's Name is Holy*
- *God Scatters the Proud*
- *Exalts the Lowly and Brings Down Mighty Fills the Hungry but not The Self Reliant*
- *God is Faithful to accomplish His Purposes*



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