



# 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

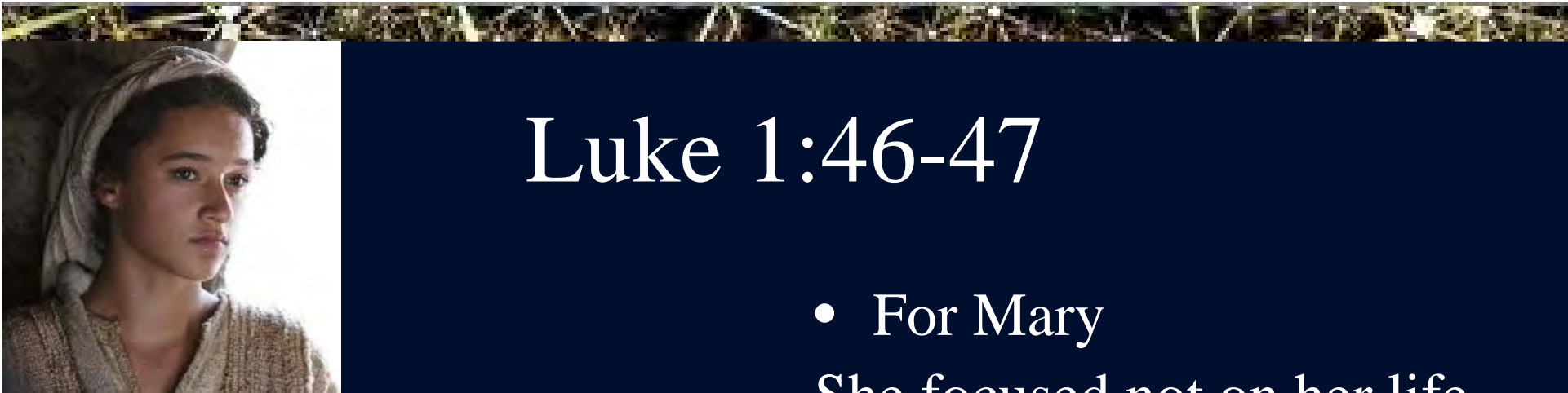


Luke 1:39-45  
SEEKING  
CONFIRMATION



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, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), <sup>6</sup> and raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus,

## Ephesians 2:7-10

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

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not of works, lest anyone should boast. <sup>10</sup> 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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