

Mary – The Servant of the Lord



Christmas Characters Series – Part 2
Luke 1:26-38

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26 In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, 27 to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."



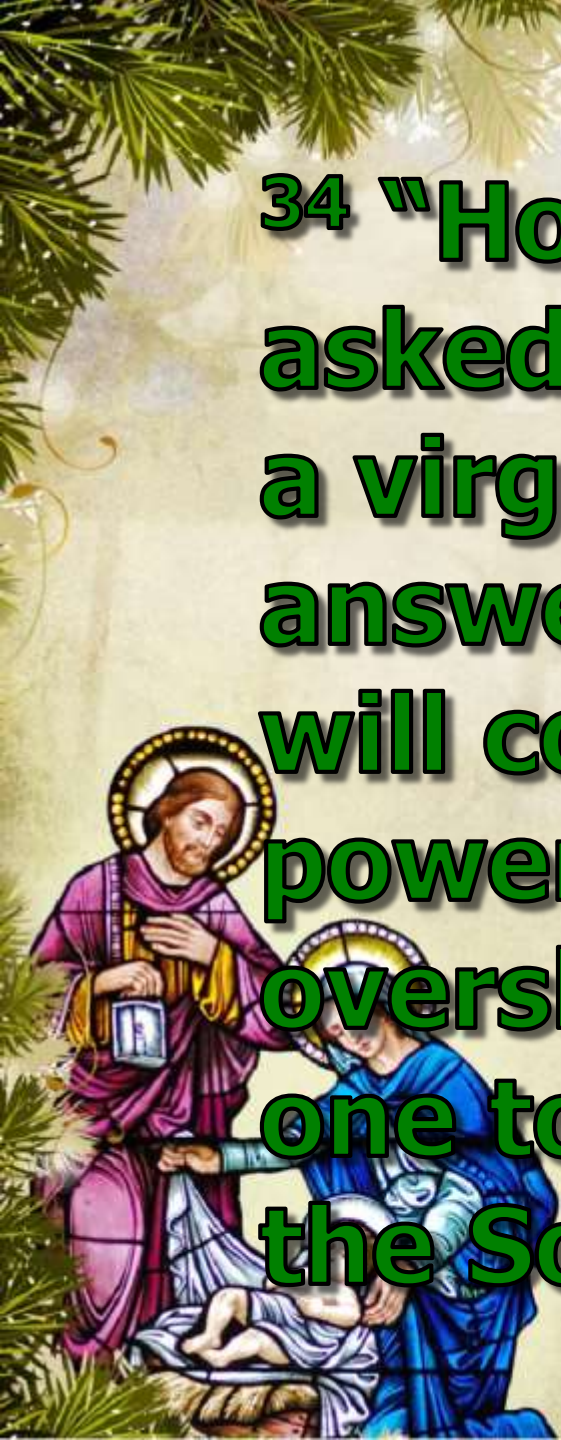
29 Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. 30 But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God.



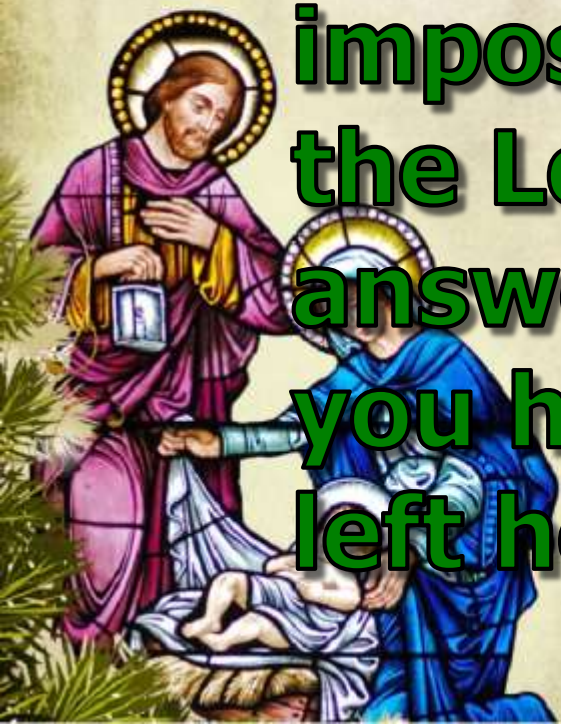
31 You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."



34 "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" 35 The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.



36 Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be barren is in her sixth month. 37 For nothing is impossible with God." 38 "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." Then the angel left her. (NIV)



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1. Listen to Mary's Courier.

Luke 1:26 In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, (NIV)



A. He Is A Special Agent of God.

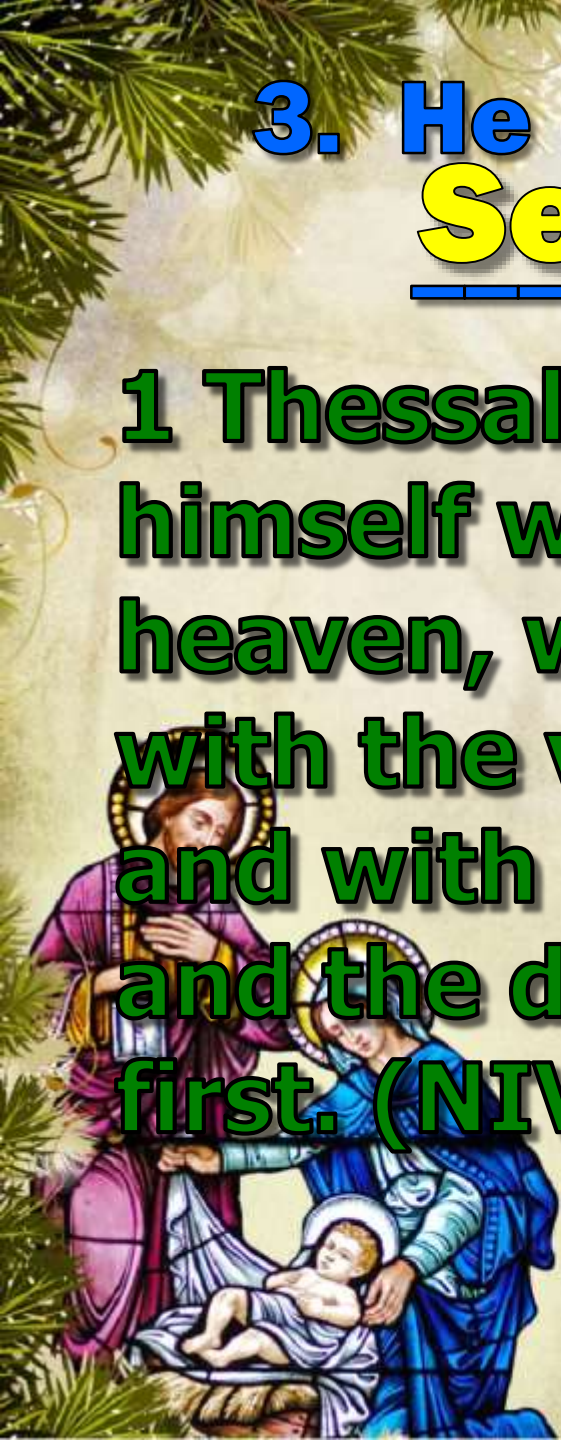
1.) He Is Associated with Revelation.

2. He Is Associated with the Savior.



3. He Is Associated with the Second Coming.

1 Thessalonians 4:16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. (NIV)



**B. He Was Sent to a
Solitary Place.**

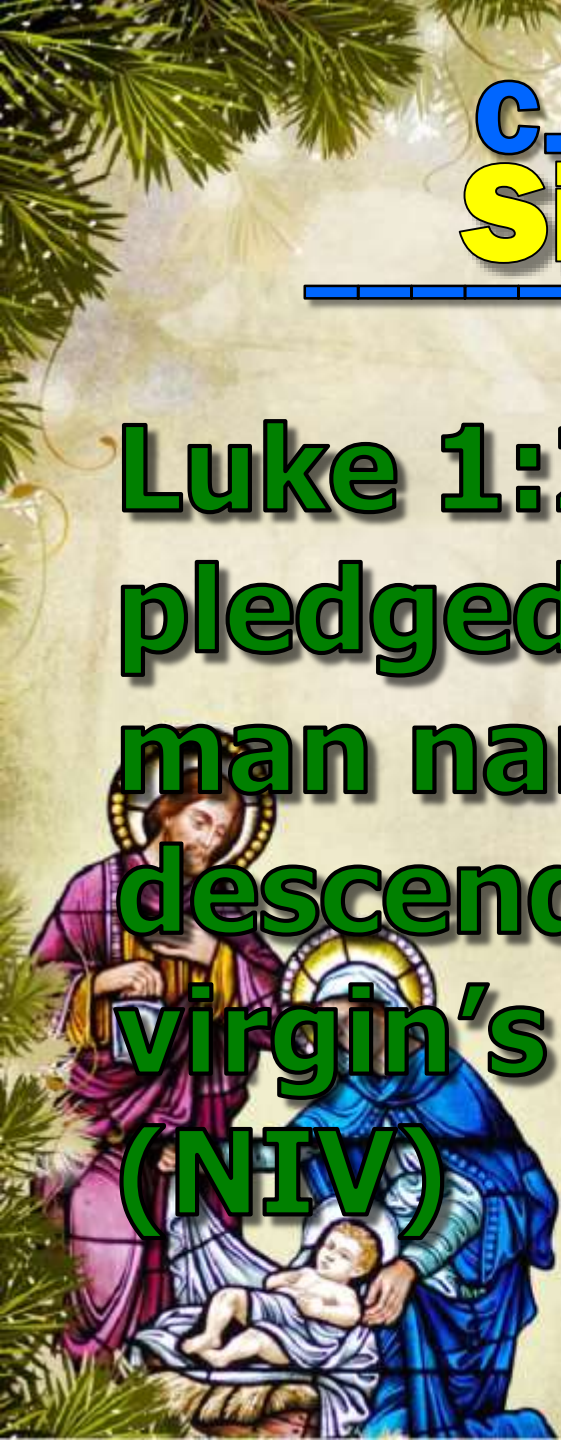
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C. He Was Sent to a Simple Person

**Luke 1:27 to a virgin
pledged to be married to a
man named Joseph, a
descendant of David. The
virgin's name was Mary.**

(NIV)



D. He Was Sent With a Sure Proclamation.

**Luke 1:36-37 Even
Elizabeth your relative is
going to have a child in her
old age, and she who was
said to be barren is in her
sixth month. ³⁷ For nothing
is impossible with God."**



2. Look at Mary's Character.

A. Mary Kept Herself Sexually Pure.

Luke 1:34 "How will this be,"
Mary asked the angel, "since I
am a virgin?" (NIV)



Luke 1:27

**to a virgin pledged to be
married to a man named
Joseph, a descendant of David.
The virgin's name was Mary.
(NIV)**



1 Corinthians 6:18

Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. (NIV)



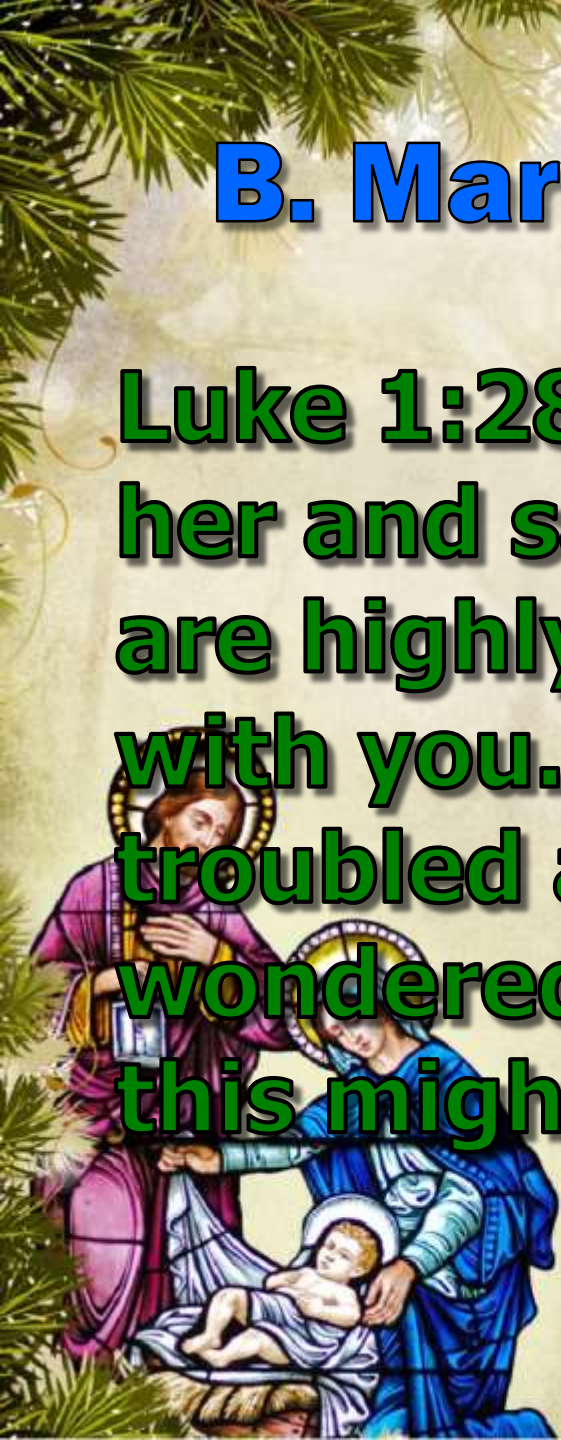
1 Thessalonians 4:3

It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; (NIV)



B. Mary Was Humble.

Luke 1:28-29 The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." 29 Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. (NIV)



C. Mary Rested on God's Grace.

**Luke 1:30 But the angel
said to her, "Do not be
afraid, Mary, you have
found favor with God.**



3. Look at Mary's Child.

A. Her Son Is Righteous.

Luke 1:35 35 The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. (NIV)



B. Her Son Is Ruler.

Luke 1:32-33 32 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, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.” (NIV)



C. Her Son Is The Redeemer.

Luke 1:31 You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. (NIV)



Luke 1:47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, (NIV)

4. Learn From Mary's Commitment.

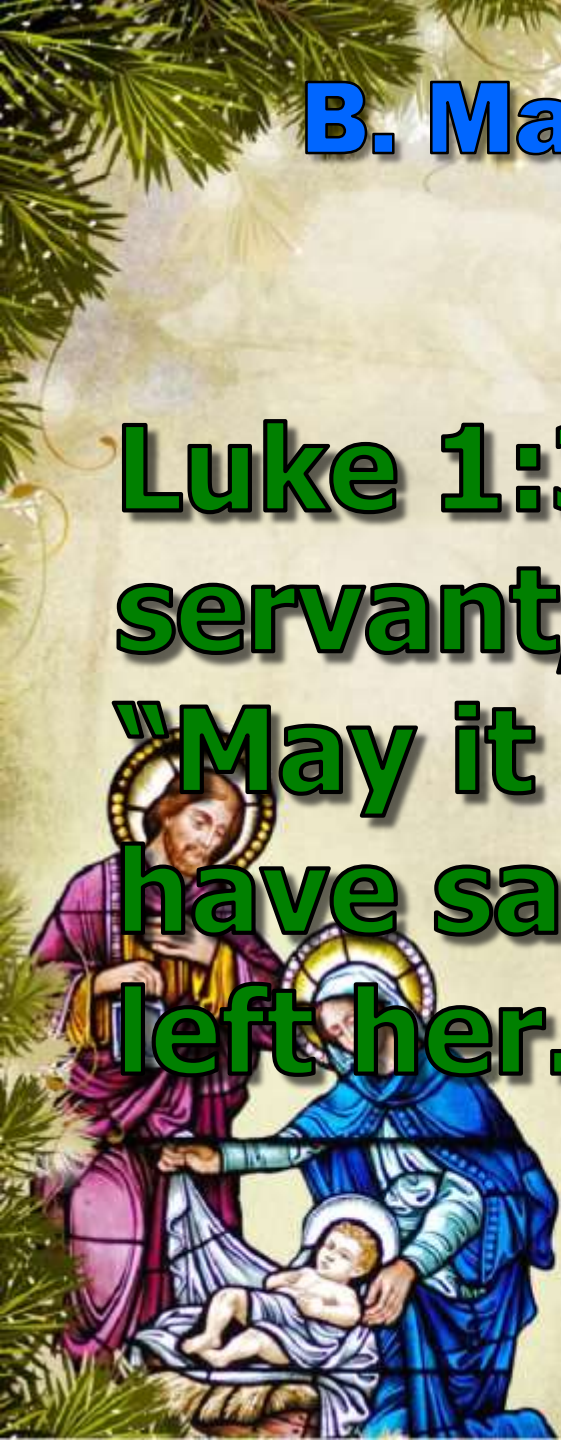
A. Mary Was Committed to
Submitting to God.

Luke 1:38 "I am the Lord's
servant," Mary answered. "May
it be to me as you have said."
Then the angel left her. (NIV)



B. Mary Was Committed to
Serve God.

**Luke 1:38 "I am the Lord's
servant," Mary answered.
"May it be to me as you
have said." Then the angel
left her. (NIV)**



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