

Advent Devotional - Day 04

December 4th



Scripture: Luke 1:26-28 Verse: *“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.’”*

Reflection:

Mary’s encounter with the angel Gabriel is a powerful testament to her faith and obedience. Despite the fear and uncertainty that must have filled her heart, Mary chose to trust in God’s plan for her life. Her willingness to accept such a monumental task—bearing the Son of God—demonstrates a profound level of faith and submission.

In modern times, we often face situations that challenge our faith and require us to trust in God’s plan, even when it doesn’t make sense to us. Whether it’s a career change, a health crisis, or a difficult relationship, we are called to respond with the same faith and obedience that Mary showed.

Mary’s story encourages us to embrace God’s plans for our lives, no matter how daunting they may seem. It reminds us that God often chooses ordinary people to carry out extraordinary purposes. Just as Mary was highly favored, we too are favored by God and can trust that He is with us in every situation.

Reflect on a time when you felt uncertain about the future but chose to trust in God’s plan. How did that experience strengthen your faith? As you go through your day, remember Mary’s example and strive to respond to God’s call with faith and obedience.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for Mary’s example of faith and obedience. Help us to trust in Your plans for our lives, even when we face uncertainty and fear. Give us the courage to say “yes” to Your call and to follow Your guidance with a willing heart. Amen.



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