

DISCUSSION GUIDE
DECEMBER 9 & 10

ANGELS

HEARING GOD THIS CHRISTMAS

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Angels Seeking Humble Servants

LUKE 1:26-56 | WEEK 3

Opening Questions

1. Describe a time when something happened for which you were completely unprepared. What was it and what was the result?
2. What are things in America that teenagers or young adults may do too early in their lives? What are the pitfalls? What can be surprising benefits?

In the Word

1. Read [Luke 1:26-38](#).
2. In [verse 28](#), how do you think Mary may have understood the angel's initial message? How does [verse 29](#) describe her response and reaction?
3. What do you find most amazing about the angel's entire message to Mary?
4. What qualities does Mary possess that appear to be the reasons she was chosen by God?
5. Mary was probably quite young by today's standards to be pregnant (between 12-17 years old). What impact would that have had for her and her family?
6. How difficult and joyous would it have been to be Jesus' mom in the 33 years to come? Be specific.

Making It Personal

1. What do you think it means for you to find favor with God? How would that be true for you this Christmas?
2. If God were to send a messenger to you this Christmas, what message do you think He wants you to hear? How will you respond?
3. In what ways is it difficult for you to submit to God's will and His commands? How can you respond more like Mary?
4. Pray as a group to be open and willing servants of God like Mary so Jesus is seen in our lives.

Continued Learning

Look at the article from this link and discuss some of the points made: www.gotquestions.org/virgin-Mary.html

Additional Notes