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*“And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, 27 To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin’s name was Mary. 28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. 29 And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. 30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. 34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? 35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. 36 And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren. 37 For with God nothing shall be impossible. 38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.” (Luke 1:26–38)*

## INTRODUCTION

**Quote:** “Christ was born in the first century, yet He belongs to all centuries. He was born a Jew, yet He belongs to all races. He was born in Bethlehem, yet He belongs to all countries.”—**George Truett**

## 1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Grace

### A. A \_\_\_\_\_ Appearance

**Definition:** *Gabriel*—His name comes from the Hebrew “Warrior of God” or “Man of God”

### B. A \_\_\_\_\_ Appearance

MARY WAS A PURE WOMAN

**Definition:** *virgin*—a woman who has never had sexual relations with a man

*“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.” (Genesis 3:15)*

MARY WAS A BLESSED WOMAN

**Definition:** *highly favored*—to peruse with grace, compass with favour; to honour with blessings

## 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Grace

### A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Child

*“Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;” (Hebrews 2:14)*

*“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14)*

**Quote:** “He who never began to be, but eternally existed, began to be what he eternally was not, and continued to be what he eternally was.”—**Charles Spurgeon**

### B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Child

HE IS THE SAVIOUR

**Definition:** *Jesus*—Jehovah is salvation

*“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)*

*“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.” (1 Timothy 1:15)*

**HE IS THE SON OF GOD**

**Definition:** *great*—predicated of rank, as belonging to persons, eminent for ability, virtue, authority, power

*“And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.” (Colossians 1:17-18)*

*“But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.” (Hebrews 1:8)*

*“Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, 23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.” (Matthew 1:22-23)*

**HE IS SOVEREIGN**

*“The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.” (Matthew 1:1)*

*“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.” (Isaiah 9:6-7)*

### 3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Grace

#### A. She \_\_\_\_\_ God's Plan

##### THE MIRACLE DESCRIBED

**Quote:** "Christ must be both God and man to atone for sin, but for this to occur, He must be conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of a human virgin. No one else in the history of the world is conceived by the Spirit and born of a virgin mother. Therefore, Jesus alone qualifies to be Saviour."

##### THE MIRACLE DETERMINED

*"But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible."  
(Matthew 19:26)*

#### B. She \_\_\_\_\_ God's Plan

##### SHE YIELDED TO HIS WILL

*"Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done." (Luke 22:42)*

**Quote:** "The world's most popular prayer is, 'Thy will be changed.' But the world's greatest prayer is, 'Thy will be done.' Mary prayed the latter."—**William Barclay**

##### SHE YIELDED TO HIS WORD

**Quote:** "God is ready to assume full responsibility for the life wholly yielded to Him."—**Andrew Murray**

**Quote:** "When God is going to do something wonderful, He starts with the difficult. When God is going to do something miraculous, He starts with the impossible."—**Tom Malone**

CONCLUSION \_\_\_\_\_

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