

1. Introduction

- a. Lk 1:37 Nothing impossible with God
- b. Lk 1:24-25 Elizabeth now 6 months pregnant
- c. These are times of political trouble for Israel
  - Herod the Great King of Judea
  - Caesar Augustus emperor of Rome
- d. Jesus descendent of King David
- e. Mary smart - she had never been with a man - she knew facts of human reproduction
- f. Angel Gabriel tells Mary about her upcoming supernatural conception
  - miracle of Jesus conception
  - not miracle of Jesus birth
  - Jesus had normal fetus growth
  - Lk 1:39 Mary became pregnant somewhere between Nazareth & Elizabeth's home in Judea

2. Amazing Announcement

- a. No prophets in Israel since Malachi
  - 400 yrs of prophetic silence
- b. Suddenly angel visits Zacharias, husband to Elizabeth (Lk 1:5)
- c. Then angel visits Mary several months later - (Lk 1:26-27)
- d. Mary will have a son & she is given His name by angel Gabriel - (Lk 1:31-33)

3. Confusing Problem - (vs. 34-35)

- a. Mary could not be humanly pregnant without man
- b. Angel Gabriel tells her of Holy spirit supernaturally supplying missing man's part (sperm)

4. Submissive Responses - (vs. 38)

- a. Mary is God's woman
- b. Let this happen according to God's Word
- c. she accepted God's plan



## 5. Conclusion

- a. God's miracle where man's impossible (cannot do) become God's possible (can do)
- b. Lk 1:37 For with God nothing shall be impossible
  - God is not a magic wand for our human wishes
  - God is not some human lucky charm
- c. Disciples asked Jesus a question
  - "Who then can be saved?"
  - Jesus answer? With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible
    - \* no human can save themselves
    - \* only God can save a person
  - Mt 19:25-26, Mk 10:26-27, Lk 18:26-27
- d. Last impossibility
  - Heb 11:6 Without faith, impossible to please God
    - x believe that God exists
    - x believe God rewards persons looking for Him - seeker
- e. God's possibilities
  - old women conceived & gave birth
    - x Sarah - Gen 17:15-17, 19
    - x Elizabeth - Lk 1:13-17, 24-25
  - woman became pregnant without man
    - x Lk 1:31, 34-35

