

## Luke 1:26-38 **Gabriel sent to the Virgin Mary**

### Angel sent by God

26 Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

### What manner of greeting is this?

29 But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was.

### You will be the Mother of Jesus the Son of the Highest.

30 Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. 32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. 33 And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

### How can it be?

34 Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?"

### The Holy Spirit will make it happen, with God nothing will be impossible

35 And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. 36 Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. 37 For with God nothing will be impossible."

### Mary accepts the Assignment

38 Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her. NKJV

### Facts Revealed:

- ✚ The time is the sixth month of the pregnancy of Elizabeth carrying John the Baptist. [Luke 1:26, 36]
- ✧ John the Baptist was conceived around the end of the Hebrew month of Tammuz (the fourth month)
- ✧ Gabriel came to Mary when Elizabeth was in her sixth month of pregnancy, around the end of the tenth month of Tevet, which would place the birth of Jesus in the seventh month of Tishri, near the Feast of Tabernacles.
- ✚ The Place is Nazareth of Galilee. [Luke 1:26]
- ✚ Mary is engaged to Joseph of the House of David, but still a virgin. [Luke 1:27, 34]

### Gabriel's Greeting to Mary

- ✚ And having come in, the angel said to her, "**Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!**" [Luke 1:28]
- ✧ This is the only time in all the history of the world when a woman was chosen to bear the Only Begotten Son of God. [Psalm 2:7, John 1:18, 3:16, 3:18, Acts 13:33, Hebrews 1:5, 5:5, 11:17, 1 John 4:9]

### What manner of greeting is this?

✠ But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. [Luke 1:29]

**You will be the Mother of Jesus the Son of the Highest, the Eternal King.**

✠ Gabriel assured Mary saying, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. [Luke 1:30]

✠ Gabriel then gave Mary his message from the throne of Almighty God: [Luke 1:31-33]

- ✧ You will conceive in your womb, bring forth a son, and call His name Jesus.
- ✧ He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest.
- ✧ Adoney Yehowah will give Him the throne of His father David.
- ✧ He will reign over the house of Jacob forever.
- ✧ Of His Kingdom there will be no end.

**How can it be?**

✠ Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" [Luke 1:34]

- ✧ This was a legitimate and honest question, she was not married and still a virgin, thus to become pregnant was humanly impossible.

**With God nothing will be impossible**

✠ It will be done by the power and presence of the **Holy Spirit**. [Luke 1:35]

✠ That Holy One who is to be born will be called the **Son of God**. [Luke 1:35]

- ✧ As for impossible, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. [Luke 1:36]

✠ For **with God nothing will be impossible**. [Genesis 18:14, Luke 1:37, 18:27, Matthew 19:26, Mark 10:27]

**Mary accepted the Assignment**

✠ Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word."

✠ The angel departed from her.