

"THE ANGEL AND THE GIRL"

1. What was the most surprising news you every received? How did you respond?

2. Mary's initial reaction the angel's appearance and message was a) fear, b) confusion, c) doubt, d) faith, e) concern, f) curiosity?

3. If an angel were to reveal God's plan for your life today, how would you respond? a) ask lot of questions? b) wonder if you had any say about it? c) rejoice that God could use you? d) worry about my ability to carry it off? e) run away scared? f) you would rather not know the future; you'd prefer to be surprised.

4. How does Gabriel's word to Mary compare with his word to Zechariah (1:13-17)?

5. How does Mary (vv.34,38) respond differently than Zechariah (vv.12,18)?

6. What do you think was the hardest for Mary to comprehend? a) the fact that she was favored by God? b) a pregnancy before marriage? c) who her child was going to be? d) how all this fit into God's plan?

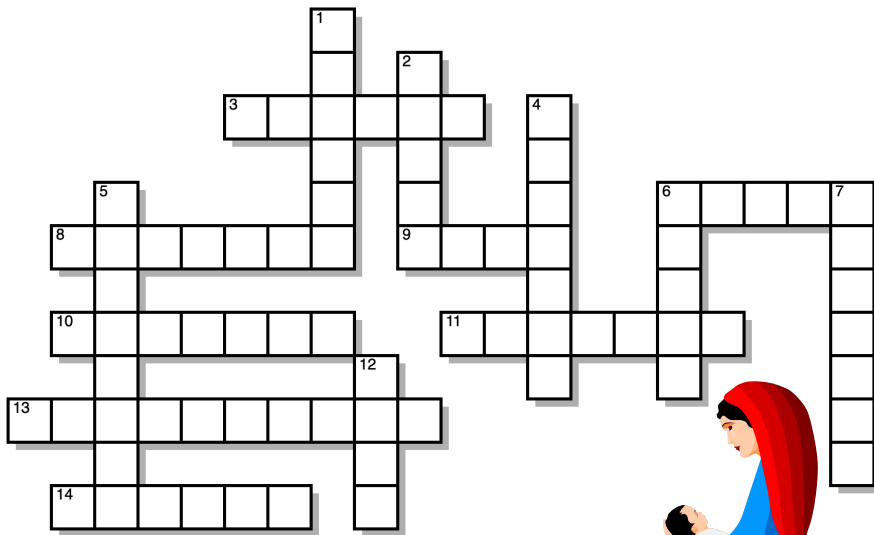
7. What truths about Jesus are emphasized here? What expectations must have been raised in Mary? What risks is she asked to take?

8. How does Elizabeth's pregnancy encourage Mary?

9. Why do you think that God chose Mary as the woman to give birth to His Son?

10. After this encounter with the angel, how did Mary envision herself? a) ascending a throne? b) as a lowly servant? c) as a surrogate mother? d) as an ordinary person?

11. In what area of your life do you need to believe that "nothing is impossible with God"?



ACROSS

3 Mary's physical condition that would normally prohibit a woman from having a child.

6 The angel tells Mary to name her son this.

8 The angel calls Mary "O _____ one".

9 Mary's child would be called "Son of the Most _____".

10 This was "the strong man of God".

11 There would be "no end" to the _____ of Mary's son.

13 The power of the Most High would _____ Mary.

14 What of his father David would Mary's son come to possess?

DOWN

1 The angel told Mary to not be this.

2 In what month of Elizabeth's pregnancy did the angel appear to Mary?

4 What is impossible with God?

5 This obscure town is located 70 miles north of Jerusalem.

6 Over whose house would Mary's son come to rule?

7 "May said, "Behold, I am the _____ of the Lord".

12 "the child to be born will be called _____ -- the Son of God."

WORD SEARCH:

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| Angel | Son |
| Gabriel | Throne |
| God | David |
| Galilee | Reign |
| Nazareth | House |
| Virgin | Spirit |
| Joseph | Power |
| Mary | Child |
| Greetings | Elizabeth |
| Favored | Old |
| Lord | Barren |
| Troubled | Impossible |
| Conceive | Servant |
| Bear | Word |

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