Heaven's Message to Mary

Key Passage: Luke 1:26-38

- What has been the biggest struggle in your life this week?
- What is something specifically you could use prayer for?
- What is something God's Word spoke to you about this week?

Review

- (Luke 1:26-27) Nazareth was a small village and Mary a young girl without any parents listed; what does God sending Gabriel to such an obscure and humble situation say to you?
- **(Luke 1:28-31)** All the blessings of God upon Mary's life were in Jesus Christ. She was not rich, wealthy, or famous; yet the great blessings of God were upon her.
 - o How can we apply this to our lives?
 - o Have you ever seen your earthly life's trials and felt like you were not someone who God has blessed? Could Mary have ever felt that way in her life?
 - o Take turns sharing something you have received because of Jesus Christ.
- (Luke 1:32-33) Why is Jesus great?
 - o If our child or family member did something great is it easy to tell others about it? Why?
 - o What is a way we can let others know how great Jesus is?
- **(Luke 1:34-37)** Have you ever had something you struggled to believe God for? Why?
 - o How did Sarah respond to God in Genesis 18:13-14 when she found out she would have a baby? How did the angel of the Lord respond to her laughter?
 - o How can you apply Luke 1:37 to your life? What in your life do you need to trust God for?
 - o Why is the virgin birth essential to us (Romans 5:12)?
- **(Luke 1:38)** What can we learn from Mary in verse 38 about how to respond to God's Word?
 - o What does Jesus teach us in Luke 8:20-21 and Luke 11:27-28?
- Close out by each person sharing someone you can pray for and invite to Christmas service next Sunday:
 - Who can you invite to Church and Life Group next Sunday?

Key verses used from Sunday Morning's Sermon:

Luke 1:26-38; Luke 1:19; Hebrews 4:12; Luke 1:14, 44, 47; John 15:11; Luke 8:20–21; Luke 11:27–28; Colossians 1:14; Colossians 2:10; Romans 8:1; Romans 8:31–32; Ephesians 1:3; Revelation 2:9; Romans 5:12; Luke 1:20; Luke 1:45; Matthew 20:26–27