

## MARY'S PRAISE TO GOD HER SAVIOR

(Luke 1:39-56)

### I. INTRODUCTION

### II. The PREFACE to the Gospel of Luke (1:1-4)

### III. The PREDICTION by Gabriel of John the Baptist's birth (1:5-25)

### IV. The PROPHECY by Gabriel of Jesus Christ's birth (1:26-38)

### V. Mary PURPOSES to VISIT Elizabeth (1:39-56)

#### A. Mary and Elizabeth's joyous meeting (1:39-45)

1. The impregnated Mary went to visit her relative Elizabeth in the hill country of Judah, and when she walked into the house and greeted Elizabeth three things happened...

- a. The child \_\_\_\_\_ in Elizabeth's womb when he heard Mary's voice. (v. 41a)
- b. The Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ Elizabeth at that moment. (v. 41b)
- c. Without \_\_\_\_\_ of Mary's pregnancy, Elizabeth loudly declared, "*Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.*" (v. 42)

\* How should we understand this phrase, "*blessed are you among women*"?

2. Elizabeth's statement in v. 45 is profound in a number of ways...

- a. "*Blessed is she who believed...*" indicates that Mary \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of God prior to her visit with Elizabeth, and thus she was blessed.
- b. *...for there will be a fulfillment of those things...* filled with the Spirit Elizabeth gave \_\_\_\_\_ to the things that were stated in verses 31-33 and the OT.
- c. *...which were told her from the Lord.* Even though Gabriel was the messenger, ultimately all of these predications came \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_.

**B. Mary pours out her praises to the Lord (1:46-55)**

1. What are unmistakably clear from Mary's "Magnificat" and her multiple OT allusions and quotations is her \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ and for His eternal \_\_\_\_\_.
  
2. The personal results of Mary hearing and believing God's predications regarding her and her baby, and then humbly submitting to God's plan was to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord and \_\_\_\_\_ in God her \_\_\_\_\_. (vv. 46-47)
  
3. The personal reasons that motivated Mary to respond with praise are...
  - a. *For He has regarded the lowly state of His \_\_\_\_\_...* (v. 48a)
  
  - b. *For behold, henceforth all \_\_\_\_\_ will call me blessed.* (v. 48b)
  
  - c. *For He who is \_\_\_\_\_ has done great things for me and \_\_\_\_\_ is His name.* (v. 49)
  
  - d. *And His \_\_\_\_\_ is on those who \_\_\_\_\_ Him from generation to generation.* (v. 50)
  
4. The past historical reasons that motivated Mary to respond with praise are...
  - a. *He has shown \_\_\_\_\_ with His arm...* (v. 51a)
  
  - b. *He has scattered the \_\_\_\_\_ in the imagination of their hearts.* (v. 51b)
  
  - c. *He has put down the \_\_\_\_\_ from their thrones, and exalted the \_\_\_\_\_.* (vv. 52-53)
  
  - d. *He has helped His servant \_\_\_\_\_, in remembrance of His mercy.* (vv. 54-55)