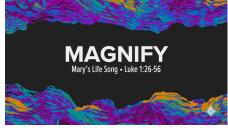
NEW LIFE CLASS BRIDGING THE GAP



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Magnify the Lord with Your Whole Life • Part 2

Lesson 6 • Luke 2:34-35; 11:27-28

Mary's LifeSong Magnified the Lord not Herself!

We don't venerate Mary as equal to the Lord; we imitate her faith in exalting the Lord.

- The **ANNUNCIATION** (26-38) Imitate Mary by magnifying the Lord with Your **WALK** by the **Father's Amazing Grace!**
- The **VISITATION** (39-45) Imitate Mary by magnifying the Lord with Your **WITNESS** by the **Spirit's Daily Filling!**
- The **MAGNIFICATION** (46-55) Imitate Mary by magnifying the Lord with Your **WORSHIP** of the **Son's Kingdom Reversals!**
- The CONTINUATION (56)
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 - Imitate Mary by magnifying the Lord with Your **WHOLE LIFE** as a Living Sacrifice!

Mary Had to <u>KEEP LEARNING</u> to Be Living Sacrifice for Her Whole Life!

The lordship of Christ Is the secret to being a living sacrifice that stays on the altar!

What Do We Need to Keep Learning to Magnify the Lord in the Ordinary with Our Whole Life?

- 1. Like Mary Keep Learning that Jesus Is on His FATHER'S Mission Not Yours. Luke 2:48-49
 - Joseph and Mary <u>ASSUMED</u> their twelve-year-old son was with them on their mission to return home to Nazareth. Luke 1:39-47)
 - > Young Jesus must **<u>REMIND</u>** his mother that He's on mission for His Father by rebutting her reproof. (2:48-49)

Jesus is always on mission and we will "lose" Him when we are not on mission with Him!

Where Do We Find Jesus? On His Mission Not Ours!

- 2. Like Mary Keep Learning that Jesus Brings Kingdom Blessings on His Father's <u>TIMING</u> Not Yours. John 2:1-11
 - A mother's subtle **<u>REQUEST</u>**. John 2:3
 - > The Messiah's gentle **REPROOF**. John 2:4
 - What's the significance of *how* Jesus addresses to his mother, Mary?
 - What's the significance of *what* Jesus says to his mother, Mary?
 - NAS And Jesus *said to her, "Woman, what does that have to do with us? My hour has not yet come."
 - ESV And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come."
 - CSB "What has this concern of yours to do with me, woman?" Jesus asked. "My hour has not yet come."
 - What's the significance of Jesus' *final* statement, "My hour has not yet come?" John 2:4; 4:21, 23; 5:25, 28, 29; 7:30; 8:20; 12:23, 27; 13:1; 16:25; 17:1.
 - A disciple's proper **<u>RESPONSE</u>**. John 2:5

How Does the Bridegroom Bring the Party? The Cross Before the Crown!

- 3. Like Mary Keep Learning that Jesus' <u>PRIORITY</u> Is His Father's Family Not Ours. Mark 3:20-22, 31-35; Matthew 12:46-50
 - Family sometimes tries to <u>CONTROL</u> our following of the Lord to <u>CONFORM</u> us to their earthly values and ordinary standards of living.
 - > Jesus **<u>REBUKES</u>** Mary and His siblings for trying to control Him and limit His ministry.

Jesus' Radical Rebuke

- 1. My **PRIORITY** is God's spiritual family not merely my physical family. *Luke* 18:28-30
- 2. My **FAMILY** are those who do God's will as obedient followers of Me.

Jesus is His Father's Firstborn who prioritizes the Father's spiritual family not our earthly family.

Who Are Jesus' Blood Relatives? His Obedient Disciples!

4. Like Mary Keep Learning that Jesus Blesses Those with an <u>OBEDIENT</u> Faith and No One Else. Luke 11:27-28

- A woman shouts out a normal Jewish **<u>BLESSING</u>** on mothers who give birth to exceptional sons.
- Sesus **<u>REFUSES</u>** to raise His mother, Mary, above any other disciple.

Jesus is the Master who blesses His obedient servants not His mother Mary.

How Do We Receive the Master's Blessing? An Obedient Faith!

- 5. Like Mary Keep Learning that Jesus Is the Only One Who Is WORTHY of Being Magnified. John 19:26-27
 - > Jesus **<u>RECOGNIZES</u>** Mary as His mother but never as His co-mediatrix or co-redemptrix.

Jesus is the Eternal Son of God and the High Priest who intercedes for us in heaven!

What Is Jesus Doing in Heaven? He Alone is Our Prophet, Priest, and King!

Why Magnify Jesus with Our Whole Lives as Growing Disciples? He alone is worthy to be magnified!