Christmas in Luke: The Whole Story

Luke 1:46-56

# A Great God and a Grand Reversal

How can you put praise on your lips?

Mediate on the Word of God.

Be filled with the Spirit of God.

Celebrate the works of God.

Trust in the promises of God.

#### Sermons

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# **Scripture Memory Verse**

"Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Ephesians 5:20



# **Order of Worship**

Sing We the Song of Emmanuel

Praise the Lord Forever

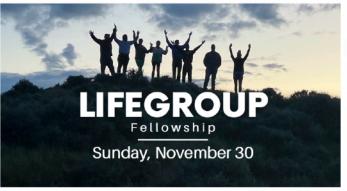
Adore

Sermon

Bless God

We Give Thanks (Psalm 107)









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These questions provide a framework for individual or family study and for discussions in LifeGroup. LifeGroups meet at 9:45 AM on Sundays.

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4. Read Luke 1:54-55 carefully. Mary prays as though God has already blessed Israel in spite of the fact that Jesus has not yet been born. What does this show about Mary's trust in the Lord's promises? What are some possible reasons for her to have such great faith?

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1. Having just come through Thanksgiving, what are you most grateful for about your church? How has your church blessed you in the past year?

5. Read Hebrews 11:1. What is faith? How can you grow in your faith?

2. Read Luke 6:43-45. Mary praised the Lord with words that were filled with references to the Old Testament. How do Mary's words show us something about the Word of God in her heart? What does Jesus's teaching tell us about how our words reveal our hearts?

6. Mary writes her song as a praise to the Lord. But Mary could have seen her pregnancy as a curse from the Lord rather than a blessing because she would be shamed within her community. How are Christians tempted to complain about God's blessings rather than praise him? How can we fight against that temptation?

3. On Sunday, Pastor Craig urged us to all be filled with the Spirit. Read Ephesians 5:15-21. What steps does Paul encourage us to take to be filled with the Spirit?

7. Mary's song celebrated the works of God in the past. How does God's work in your past give you hope for the future?

LifeGroup Fellowship

Sunday, November 30