





***WELCOME TO THE  
SERVICES OF  
THE PROSPECT  
CHURCH OF CHRIST***

THE LORD is my strength  
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# **PLEASE BE SEATED**

**THE ELDERS  
KINDLY REQUEST  
THAT YOU NOW  
TAKE YOUR SEAT  
AND PREPARE TO  
COMMENCE OUR  
WORSHIP SERVICE.  
THANK YOU!**







**PLEASE SILENCE YOUR  
*PHONES AND PAGERS*  
BEFORE WORSHIP  
BEGINS.  
*THANK YOU!***

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“By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones.”


**Hebrews 11:22**



“By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days.”

**Hebrews 11:30**






“By faith the harlot Rahab did not perish with those who did not believe, when she had received the spies with peace.”


**Hebrews 11:31**





“And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets:”

**Hebrews 11:32**



“And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, 40 God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.”


**Hebrews 11:39-40**





# Assembling Times


Sunday Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Bible Study	7:00 PM



“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. 2 For by it the elders obtained a good testimony.”

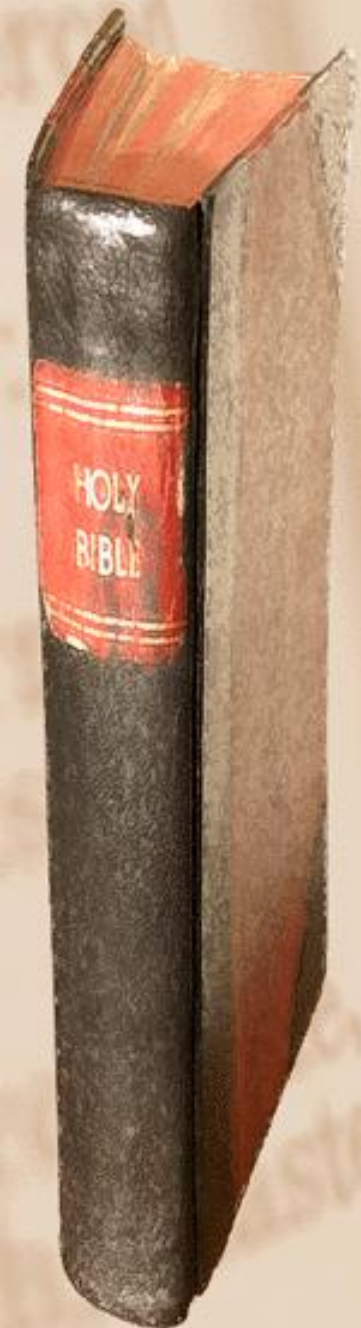
**Hebrews 11:1-2**





“By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.”


**Hebrews 11:8**



“By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised.”

**Hebrews 11:11**





“By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,”

**Hebrews 11:17**


“By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.”

**Hebrews 11:20**



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“By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff.”

**Hebrews 11:21**

# Let Us Prepare Ourselves To Worship the Lord of Lords!

*“But the LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.”*

**Habakkuk 2:20**







# *Why God Chose Mary*

**Luke 1:26-38**

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**“Her children rise up and call  
her blessed;...”**

**Proverbs 31:28**





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**Charlie Brown**

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear not: for thou art with me, O Lord: thou art my God, and thou hast delivered my soul.



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**“Or *one* wonderful mother”**

**Snoopy**

**“Blessed are you among  
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**Luke 1:42**





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**Luke 1:42**

***“You are the most blessed  
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**“...For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.”**

**Luke 1:48**





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**Luke 1:28**



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**“favored”** – *charitoo*

**= *charis*** – **“grace”**

**“unmerited favor”**





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-  **Joseph & Mary were poor we know this from the sacrifice they made (Luke 2:24/Lev. 12:6-8)**



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**“He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.”**


**Luke 1:32**



**“When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.”**

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



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- **Joseph never mentioned during personal ministry of Jesus**



# *Why God Chose Mary*

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  -  **She Was A Godly Woman**
  -  **She Believed in God – And His Power**
  -  **She Had a Humble Spirit**
  -  **She Was Submissive to the Will of God**
  -  **She Knew the Scriptures**
  -  **She Was Brave and Courageous**
  -  **She Was Willing to Accept Responsibility**
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**Luke 1:28**



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**Luke 2:19**







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**“Then the angel said to her,  
“Do not be afraid, Mary,  
for you have found favor  
with God.”**

**Luke 1:30**





## **She Was A Godly Woman**

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**Mary Was:**

**Honest and Religious**

**She Had High Moral Standards**

**A Person of Integrity**






# **She Believed in God – And His Power**

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**“”And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. 32 "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. 33 "And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.””**

**Luke 1:31-33**

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**“Then Mary said to the angel,  
“How can this be, since I do  
not know a man?””**

**Luke 1:34**





## She Believed in God – And His Power

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**“Blessed is she who believed,  
for there will be a fulfillment  
of those things which were told  
her from the Lord.”**”

**Luke 1:45**



## **She Believed in God – And His Power**

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**“And the angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.”**

**Luke 1:35**





## She Believed in God – And His Power

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“overshadow”

*episkiazo*

Used in Septuagint  
(Greek Translation of the Old Testament)

**Spoke of Presence of God  
in the Tabernacle**



## **She Believed in God – And His Power**

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**“Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.”**

**Luke 1:36**





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**"For with God nothing will be impossible."**

**Luke 1:37**





# She Had A Humble Spirit

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**Luke 1:38**



## She Had A Humble Spirit

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maidservant/bond slave

*doulos*

Feminine form of “slave”

Female slaves, the lowliest,  
most despised and mistreated  
of slaves






## She Had A Humble Spirit

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**“For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.”**

**Luke 1:48**





**She Was Submissive  
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**"You do the deeds of your father." Then they said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father--God."**

**John 8:41**





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**"Now Mary arose in those days and went into the hill country with haste, to a city of Judah,"**

**Luke 1:39**





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**"And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit."**

**Luke 1:41**



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**"Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!"**

**Luke 1:42**





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**"But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?"**

**Luke 1:43**





# She Knew The Scriptures

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**Mary's Magnificent Song of Praise**

**What God Had Done for Her**

**Luke 1:46-49**

**What God Had Done for All People**

**Luke 1:50-53**

**What God Had Done for Israel**

**Luke 1:54, 55**

**Luke 1:46-55**



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*Simeon Speaks of All Jesus  
Would Accomplish*

**Luke 2:25-35**





## She Was Brave and Courageous

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**“(yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”**

**Luke 2:35a**



## She Was Brave and Courageous

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**“Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?” And they were offended at Him.”**

**Mark 6:3**





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**“When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, “Woman, behold your son!” 27 Then He said to the disciple, “Behold your mother!” And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.”**

**John 19:26, 27**





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*Joseph and Mary Searched  
Diligently Throughout  
Jerusalem for Jesus*

**Luke 2:41-51**





# **She Expressed Confidence in Her Son**



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**“And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine."”**

**John 2:3**



## She Expressed Confidence in Her Son

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**“His mother said to the servants, “Whatever He says to you, do it.””**

**John 2:5**







**She Was Concerned  
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**“Then the multitude came together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread. 21 But when His own people heard about this, they went out to lay hold of Him, for they said, "He is out of His mind.””**


**Mark 3:20-21**





## **She Was Concerned About the Welfare of Others**

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**“Then His brothers and His mother came, and standing outside they sent to Him, calling Him. 32 And a multitude was sitting around Him; and they said to Him, "Look, Your mother and Your brothers are outside seeking You." 33 But He answered them, saying, "Who is My mother, or My brothers?" 34 And He looked around in a circle at those who sat about Him, and said, "Here are My mother and My brothers! 35 "For whoever does the will of God is My brother and My sister and mother."”**

**Mark 3:31-35**



# Mary Was Faithful to Her Task to the End

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**“Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" 27 Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.”**

**John 19:25-27**



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**I heard two women weeping  
As down the hill they came;  
And one was like a broken rose,  
And one was like a flame.  
One said, “Men shall rue this deed  
Their evil hands have done”;  
The other said only through her tears,  
“My Son, my Son, my Son.”**

*Author Unknown*



## **She Was Faithful to Her Task to the End**

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**“And a sword will pierce  
even your own soul”**

**Luke 2:35**



## **She Was Faithful to Her Task to the End**

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**“These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.”**

**Acts 1:14**



















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# God's Plan For Saving Man

Hear The Gospel

Matthew 17:5 / Romans 10:17

Believe In Christ

John 8:24 / James 2:24

Repentance of Sins

Acts 17:30 / Matthew 21:28-31





# God's Plan For Saving Man

Confess Christ As The Son Of God

Matthew 10:32 / Romans 10:9 / Acts 8:36-38

## Be Baptized (Immersed)

Mark 16:16 / 1 Peter 3:21 / Acts 22:16 / Acts 2:38

Romans 6:3-4 / Acts 8:36-39 / Galatians 3:27

## Live Faithfully In Christ

Acts 2:47 / Revelation 2:10 / 1 Corinthians 15:58

Colossians 1:23 / Acts 8:13-22 / 1 John 1:9

2 Thessalonians 3:6-15



