

Listen to the Angels

“The Lord Is with You”





In the sixth month [of Elizabeth's pregnancy], God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."



Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of



his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.”

“How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?”

The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.



Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be barren is in her sixth month. For nothing is impossible with God.”

*“I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May it be to me as you have said.” Then the angel left her.—
Luke 1:26-38 (NIV)*



What Gabriel says to Mary: *“The Lord is with you.”*



- Having God with us may mean that we will indeed go through great difficulty—but God will be with us!



*“...And they will call him Immanuel”—
which means, “God with us.”—
Matthew 1:23 (NIV)*

*“...Surely I am with you always, to the
very end of the age.”—Matthew 28:20
(NIV)*



**Mary's response to Gabriel's
astounding announcement: *"I am
the Lord's servant."***



➤ Mary reacts with faith.



*Those who know your name will trust
in you, for you, Lord, have never
forsaken those who seek you.—Psalm
9:10 (NIV)*



2) Christianity is dull if we define it as a religion rather than a relationship.

