

The Prophet and the Messiah

The Messiah

Luke 1:26-38

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Introduction:

- **Luke 1:5-25** - Last week we spoke of John the Baptizer
 - **Luke 1:13-15**
 - **Genesis 12:2-3**
 - **Luke 1:26-38**
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1. The Parents:

- a. John's birth announcement was given to Zachariah, John's father.
- b. This week – Jesus' announcement was given to his mother, a young peasant girl from Nazareth.
- c. Listen to what the people thought of Nazareth – **John 1:43-46**
- d. Who are Mary and Joseph? – We must look at Matthew to find who Joseph is.
- e. Joseph – means, “*May he add.*”
 - i. **Genesis 30:24** – First record of the name, Joseph.
 - ii. **Matthew 1:19** – Allows us to look at his heart and see his deep love for Mary.
 - iii. **Matthew 1:20-22** – Allows us to see the faith he had in God.
 - iv. **Matthew 1:24-25**
 - v. Hebrew – **Yeshua** ... English – Jesus ... means ... “*The Lord Saves.*”
- f. Mary – comes from Miriam which means – “*Sea of Bitterness.*”
 - i. She was a virgin, pledged to be married to Joseph.
 - ii. Both her and Joseph were from the Line of David.
 - iii. **Luke 1:28**
 - iv. Three things said about Mary:
 1. *She was highly favored* – Greek – **Charitoo** (*Car-Eat-Toe*) ... English – Favored ... Means ... “*To Bestow favor on ... To Highly favor.*”
 2. *God was with her* –
 3. *Mary was considered blessed among women* – **Luke 1:42**
- g. A betrothal is a legal and binding agreement with two parts:
 - i. A formal agreement witnessed:
 - ii. The groom was to prepare for his family:
- h. **Matthew 1:24-25**

2. The Messiah:

- a. **Luke 1:31-33**
- b. **Genesis 3:15**
- c. **Romans 3:23**
- d. **Hebrews 4:14-16**
- e. Gabriel said His Kingdom will never end ... And it will not.
- f. **John 3:16-17**

3. The How:

- a. **Luke 1:34-37**
- b. Mary asks a question that anyone would ask – “*How can this be, I have never been with a man?*”
- c. If you design a program, you will know more about that program than anyone else.
- d. You will also know how to “Override or Bypass” anything in the system.
- e. Miracle ... “*An effect or extraordinary event in the physical world that surpasses all known human or natural powers and is ascribed to a supernatural cause.*”
- f. **Luke 1:37**
- g. **Matthew 19:26**
- h. There is nothing outside the realm of the Creator. He is the One who programmed all things. Certainly, He can work the programming in any way He would like to fit His purpose.
- i. **Proverbs 3:5-6**
- j. **Hebrews 11:1**

4. The Response:

- a. **Luke 1:38**
- b. Are you willing to be used by God?