

# Journal Page

**Key Passage:** *Matthew 1:21*

"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

## Journal:

What is the most surprising news you have ever heard? How did it make you feel?

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey?  
How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember?  
How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



## Angels Spoke to Mary and Joseph

Luke 1:26-56; Matthew 1:18-24

**MAIN POINT: GOD CHOSE MARY AND JOSEPH  
TO BE THE EARTHLY PARENTS OF JESUS.**

One day, God sent an angel named Gabriel to visit Mary. She was engaged to be married to Joseph. The angel said to Mary, "Rejoice! You have found favor with God." Mary was very afraid and puzzled.

"Do not be afraid," the angel said. Then he told Mary that she was going to have a very special and unique baby, and they would call the baby Jesus, which means "the Lord saves."

Mary asked the angel, "How can that happen? I am not married yet."

The angel replied, "The baby will be God's Son."

Then the angel told Mary, "Nothing will be impossible with God!"

"May everything happen just as you said," Mary replied.

Mary hurried to her relative Elizabeth's house. When she arrived, the baby inside Elizabeth leaped for joy!

Mary praised God with a song about how great God is. Mary knew every family in the future would say she was blessed because God was going to do great things for her through Jesus.

Now Joseph found out Mary was going to have a baby, but Joseph knew it was not his baby! Joseph decided to quietly break his engagement with Mary.

Soon after Joseph thought these things, an angel appeared to him in a dream. The angel said, "Don't be afraid to take Mary as your wife, because the baby she is carrying was put there by the Holy Spirit. Mary is going to have a son; name Him Jesus because He is going to save His people from their sins!"

When Joseph woke up, he did exactly as the angel commanded. He married Mary, and when she had a son, Joseph named Him Jesus.

*Christ Connection: The baby Jesus fulfilled Isaiah's prophecy, as well as other Old Testament prophecies, about the coming Savior. Through His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus fulfilled God's plan of redemption that God planned from the beginning of the world.*

**My child has completed the Christ Connection on his/her own and has discussed it with me:**

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_