

Christmas is celebrating Jesus, God's greatest gift.

DAY 1

Luke 1:46-49

When the angel appeared to Mary with a very important message, she did what we would probably do. She asked, "How can this be?" Immediately, her mind went to all the reasons why this seemed impossible. But then the angel made a statement to stop all that confusion. Check out Luke 1:37 and fill in the blanks below.

"...what God says will

....."

Luke 1:37

When God promises something, it's as good as done. God made a promise to send a Savior and that promise was about to be fulfilled! So Mary said, "May it happen just as you have said." Then she worshipped God.

A Christmas Carol

Say a prayer or create a song using Mary's words below. Feel free to add your own words too.

"I praise the Lord. I delight in God my Savior.
He noticed me when no one else thought I was important. The Mighty One has done great things for me. Because He is Holy."

DAY 2

Read Luke 1:18-20

Zechariah was a faithful priest who loved and served God. But when the angel appeared to tell him his wife would soon have a baby, he was so confused.

Basically, Zechariah said to the angel, "Do you know how old I am? And that my wife's really old too?" Because of his doubt, the angel said he'd be unable to speak until after the baby's birth.

Zechariah and his wife did have a baby and they named him John. John would grow up to tell everyone about his famous cousin, Jesus! John would be the one to say, "Look! The Lamb of God. He takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I've been talking about!"

Keeping Quiet

Think of something that happened today that you really want to tell someone about. Write down what happened, fold it up and stick it under your mattress in your bedroom. See if you can wait a whole 24 hours before you tell someone! Then think about Zechariah and his doubt. Ask God to help you trust and believe with all your heart that anything is possible with God.

DAY 3

Read Matthew 19:26

Some things are just impossible. You can't heal a friend who is sick. You can't feed your whole school with just one Happy Meal. You can't walk on top of the water. Or command a thunderstorm to stop. Jesus did those things because He is God.

When Jesus spoke these words, He was saying that it's pretty much impossible for a person who doesn't think they need anything to understand they really need God. Thankfully, God makes a way for us to see our need and experience the life Jesus came to bring. When we experience the love of Jesus, we can see how anything is possible with God.

DAY 4

Read Colossians 1:21-23

God made the whole world, including people like you and me. We are made in God's image! From the beginning God had a special plan for people, but over and over again, people decided to do what they wanted to do instead of following God's best for their life. This separated us from God, but God still chose to love us. Jesus came to show us just how much God loves us. We celebrate Jesus' birth in a big way because Jesus came to save us!

The good news of Jesus isn't just for you and me. It's for everyone! Because of Jesus, everyone who believes can be with God forever. Isn't that amazing? Only God could do that! Because anything is possible with God.

An Invitation

Can you think of a friend who needs to know that God loves them? Sit down with your family and talk about who you could invite to church with you this Christmas season. Create a special invite and make a plan to attend church together.

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possible with God.