

== *It Wouldn't be* ==

CHRISTMAS

Without...



December 17, 2017

MESSAGE NOTES

It Wouldn't Be Christmas Without... | Part 4

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David.

Luke 1:26-27 (NLT)

How can God change me in the "land between?"

1. God can ground me in my _____.

Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!"

Luke 1:28 (NLT)

Upon entering, Gabriel greeted her: "Good morning! You're beautiful with God's beauty, Beautiful inside and out! God be with you."

Luke 1:28 (The Message)

2. God can settle me in my _____.

Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!"

Luke 1:29-33 (NLT)

3. God can release me for my _____.

Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin." The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God. What's more, your relative Elizabeth has become pregnant in her old age! People used to say she was barren, but she has conceived a son and is now in her sixth month. For the word of God will never fail." Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." And then the angel left her.

Luke 1:34-38 (NLT)

They all met together and were constantly united in prayer, along with Mary the mother of Jesus, several other women, and the brothers of Jesus.

Acts 1:14 (NLT)

God's Vision for Grace Church:

To partner with God in transforming people from unbelievers to fully devoted disciples of Jesus to the glory of God.

GRACE NEWS

BLUE CHRISTMAS-Dealing with loss can make the holidays bittersweet. Come and experience a service of healing and hope, followed by refreshments Tonight at 5 PM.

JOY GROUP- Our Annual Christmas Potluck is tomorrow at 12 PM. We will fellowship; play games and enjoy delicious food!

NEW MEETING- A Nar-Anon meeting has started on Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM. In the "Family Room." Nar-Anon is a 12 step support group for family and friends of drug addicts. The focus is to learn from other members' sharing how to take care of ourselves and live a happier life whether the addict stops using or not.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES- Celebrate the birth of Christ with Contemporary music and something special for the kids at 5 PM., or celebrate with your favorite Traditional music at 7 PM on Christmas Eve.

HUNGER WALK-The Annual Harry Chapin Hunger Walk is Saturday January 20th registration begins at 8:30AM and walk starts at 9:30AM. Each dollar donated allows us to buy \$8.00 dollars' worth of food. This fund raiser supports our food pantry for the year which includes 2nd Saturday and Wednesday nights.

MEN'S MEETING-The next Men's Meeting and fellowship will be this Thursday at 6 PM at the Mix Grill. The topic will be "Where is home?" Recommended reading is Jeremiah 29 versus 1-14. Hope to see you there!

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BASKETS AS YOU EXIT

Date: / /

Service Attended: _____

- 1st time 2nd time 3rd time
 Regular Attendee Church Member
 Male Female

Name(s): _____

- Single 18-23 50's
 Married 24-29 60+
 Divorced 30's
 Widowed 40's
 Middle School High School College

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Ph: _____

Cell: _____

Email: _____

- Please update my contact information

MY DECISION TODAY

- I said **YES** for the first time,
and became a follower of Jesus.
 I decided to **RENEW** my relationship with Jesus.

We have resources to help you with your decision.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR: _____

Public Prayer List For Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give

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239.443.5901

(like this: 100 Shores)

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CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING- Enjoy your favorite Christmas music on this special morning service at 10 AM.

SCHEDULE

Worship Times:

Sunday at 8:30am (Traditional)

Sunday at 10am (Contemporary)

Grace Kidz/Youth

Grace Place (Infant – 5th grade): Sunday 9:45am

PrE-Team (3 - 4yo): Wed. 6-8pm

E-Team (5yo to 4th grade): Wed. 6-8pm

TwEEN Team (5th & 6th grade): Wed. 6-8pm

Revolution (7th grade - High School):

Wednesday from 6-8pm

Recovery

AA Meeting: Mon, Wed, Fri 12pm (Office)

OA: Monday & Thursday 7:30pm (Family Room)

Daniel Plan: Tuesday 1pm (Room 2)

AA Women's Meeting: Tuesday 7pm (Office)

AA Open Discussion: Thursday 8pm (Cafe)

AL Anon: Friday 12pm (Family Room)

AA Open Speaker: Saturday 7pm (Cafe)

ATTENDANCE

8:30am	10am	Wed.	Total
44	158	148	350

GIVING

Shores General Fund	
Last Week	\$ 7,740

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