



The Promises
of Christmas

The Songs of Mary and Zechariah



The Prophecy about the Coming of the Messiah

Isaiah 7:14 ESV

¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

The Prophecy about the Coming of the Messiah

Isaiah 9:7 ESV

⁷ Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

The Prophecy about the Coming of the Messiah

Micah 5:2 ESV

² But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.

Conversations with the Angel Gabriel

Luke 1:26-31 ESV

²⁶ In the sixth month the angel **Gabriel** was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!"

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²⁹ But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found **favor with God.** ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus.

Conversations with the Angel Gabriel

Luke 1:32-37 ESV

³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the **throne of his father David**, ³³ and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." ³⁴ And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

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Luke 1:32-37 ESV

³⁵ And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy - the Son of God.

³⁶ And behold, your relative **Elizabeth** in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. ³⁷ For nothing will be impossible with God."

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Luke 1:5-7 ESV

⁵ In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, of the division of Abijah. And he had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. ⁶ And they were both **righteous before God**, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord. ⁷ But they had no child, because **Elizabeth was barren**, and **both were advanced in years**.

Luke 1:11-13 ESV

¹¹ And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the **altar of incense**. ¹² And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. ¹³ But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for **your prayer has been heard**, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John.

Luke 1:17-20 ESV

¹⁷ and he will go before him in the spirit and **power of Elijah**, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared." ¹⁸ And Zechariah said to the angel, "**How shall I know this?** For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years." ¹⁹ And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. ²⁰ And behold, you will be **silent** and **unable to speak** until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time."

The Magnificat

Luke 1:46-47 ESV

⁴⁶ And Mary said, "My soul **magnifies** the Lord, ⁴⁷ and my spirit **rejoices** in God my Savior,

The Magnificat

Luke 1:48-50 NIV

⁴⁸ for he has been **mindful** of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, ⁴⁹ for the **Mighty One** has done great things for me - holy is his name. ⁵⁰ His **mercy** extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation.

The Magnificat

Luke 1:51-53 ESV

⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; ⁵² he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; ⁵³ he has filled the **hungry** with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

The Benedictus

Luke 1:68-69 ESV

⁶⁸ "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and **redeemed** his people ⁶⁹ and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David,

The Benedictus

Luke 1:74-75 ESV

⁷⁴ that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, ⁷⁵ in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

Magnify God in His greatness and mercy

Come in thanksgiving as redeemed people

Serve Him in righteousness and holiness





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