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more needed  
by a dying world  
than the  
Life-giving  
Savior.



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# Unusual Christmas



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Unusual  
Announcement

*Not Your  
Usual  
Christmas  
Sermon –pt1*

From  
silence  
to salvation



**God Had Been Silent for 400 Years  
...but He was about to Break His Silence**

- In a Big Way-**

**...before now it was through His Prophets**

- In a Different Way-**

**No Longer Saged Old Men Coming fr Wilderness**

**In a Powerful Way-**

- But Through a Baby in a Manger**

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!"

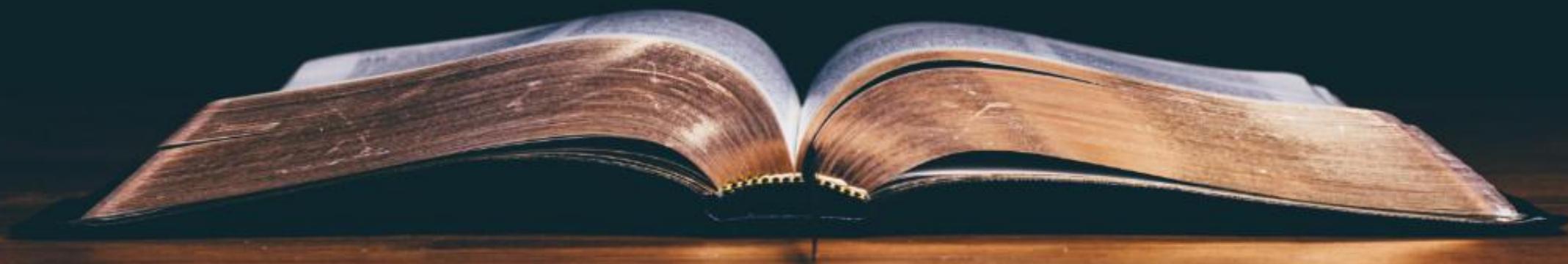
– Luke 1:26-28



- Luke 1:26–28 — Gabriel's greeting to Mary
- Greek word *charitoō* means ‘endowed with grace.’
  - **Mary was Not Chosen Because Of Her Status, But Because Of God’s Favor.**

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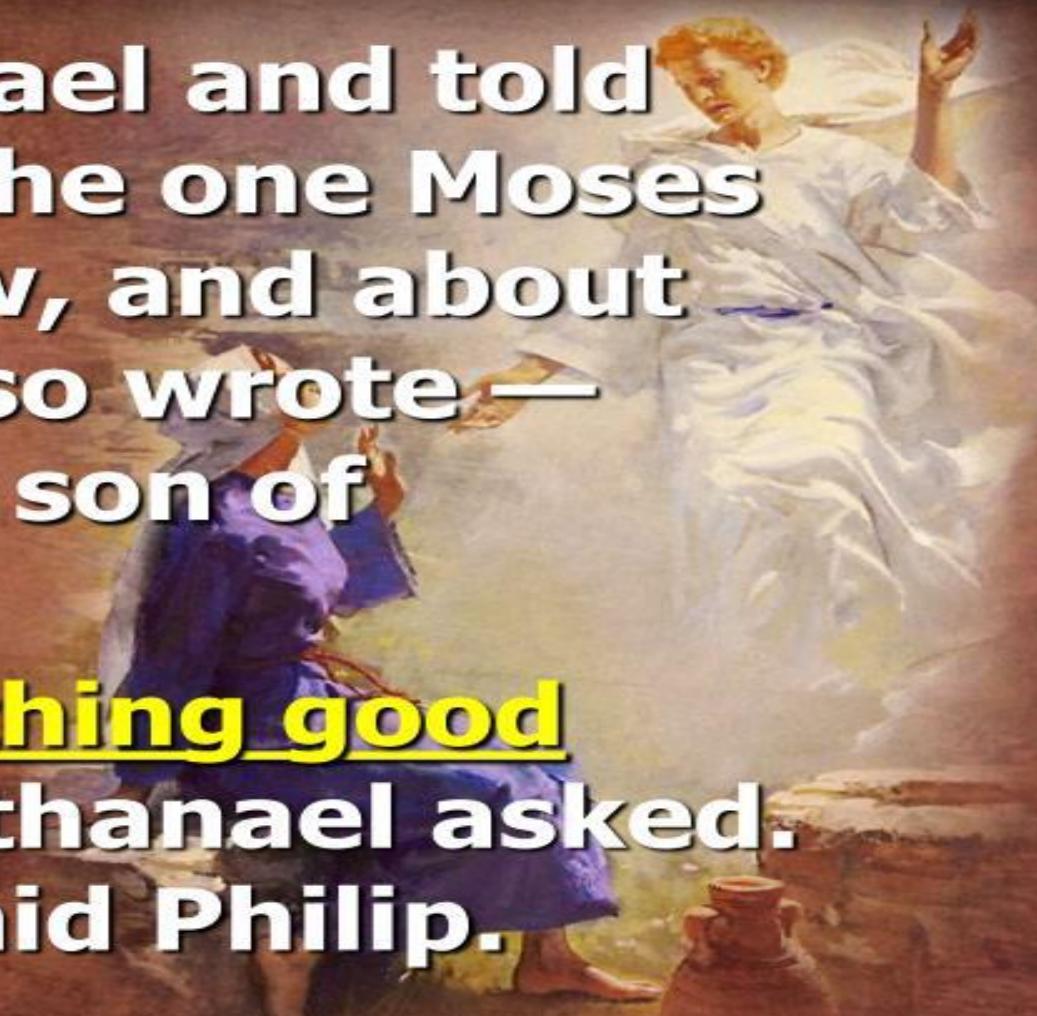
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# John 1: 45-46

45) Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

46) "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip.



## John 1: 45-46

# Destiny Breaks Out in Deserted Places

# *Nazareth Was Forgotten, Yet Chosen*

# Challenge:

*Will you believe destiny can ...  
...break out in your overlooked places?*

## Illustration:

***“Can anything good come out of Nazareth?”***

→ God says Yes.



A silhouette of a boat with two people on a calm sea under a bright starry sky.

And the angel said unto  
her, Fear not, Mary:  
for thou hast found  
favour with

*God*

Luke 1:30

# **Grace is the Passport to Purpose**

*Mary Was Graced Before She Carried Christ*

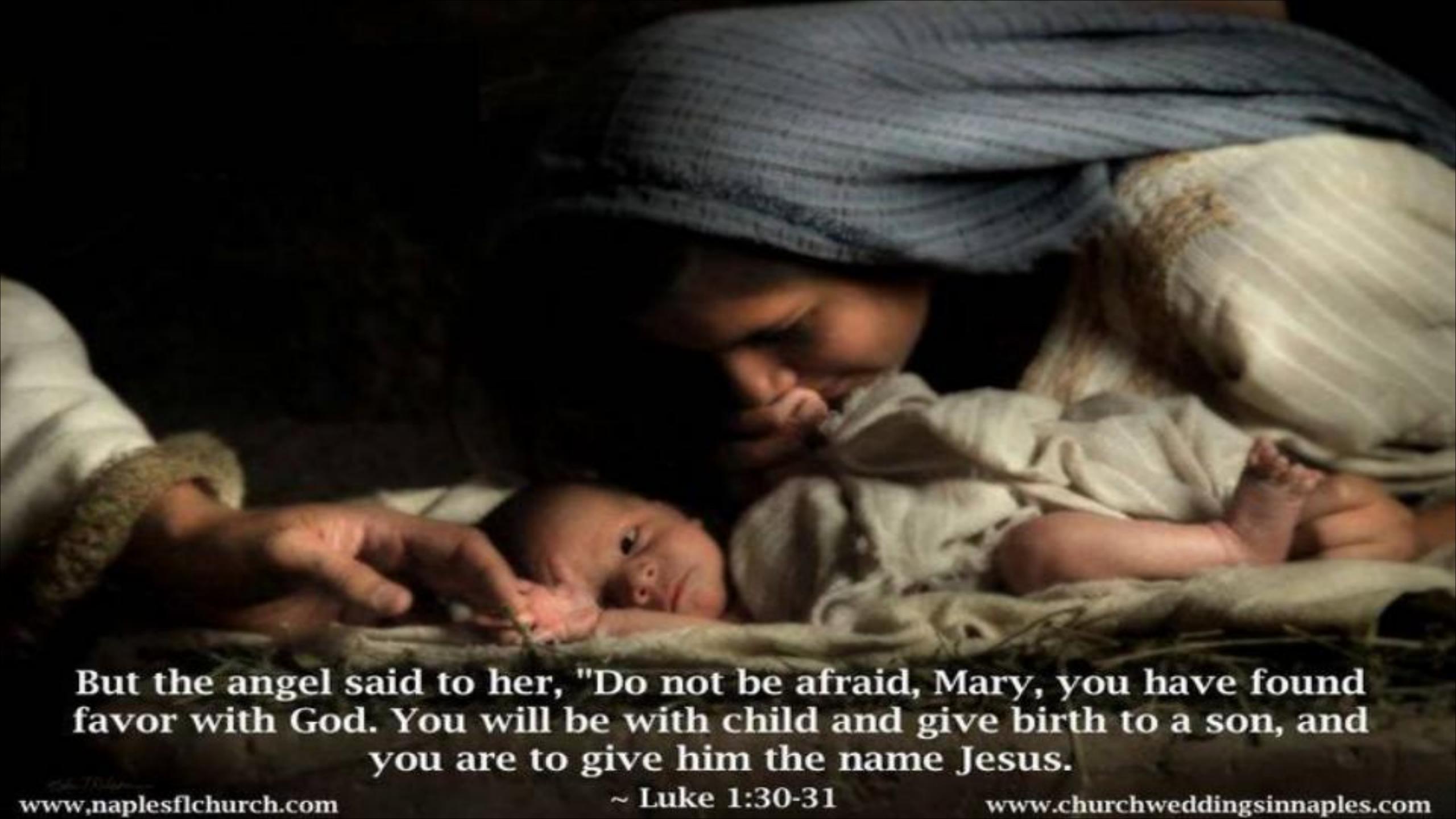
**Challenge:**

*Will You Stop Striving / Rest In Grace That Qualifies You?*

**Illustration:**

**A Passport Grants Access — Grace Grants Destiny**





**But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus.**

~ Luke 1:30-31

# **Fear Collapses Under the Weight of Favor**

**Gabriel:**

*“Do not be afraid” Luke 1:30*

**Divine Call Confronts Fear**

**God Never Reveals Destiny...**

**...Without Releasing Courage**

**Challenge:**

**Will You Let Favor Silence Fear?**

**Declaration:**

**“Fear Folds When Favor Walks In!”**

But the  
favor



# **Glory Turns Bedrooms into Burning Bushes**

*Mary's Room Became **Holy Ground***

**Illustration:**

*Will You Treat Ordinary Spaces As **Holy Ground**  
When God Shows Up?*

**Challenge:**

**Will You Treat Ordinary Spaces As **Holy Ground**?**

**Declaration:**

**“My prayer closet can blaze with His glory!”**

# Luke 1:38

38) "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." Then the angel left her.



# **One Yes Can Detonate Destiny**

## *Mary's Surrender Triggered History*

### **Overshadowing:**

same verb used when the cloud of glory covered the tabernacle

**-Exodus 40:35**

- Challenge:**

*Will You Give God One Yes that Rewrites Your Story?*

- Illustration:**

One Yes Can Echo for Generations

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## **Power Declarations**

**“My Nazareth is Enough!”**

**“Grace Has Stamped My Life!”**

**“Fear Falls — Favor Stands Tall!”**

**“My Room is Holy Ground!”**

**“My Yes Detonates Destiny!”**