




The Stories of
CHRISTMAS

Allowing Mary's Story to Speak

Luke 1:37-41; 45 - 56



1. The choice of a lowly, poor, young woman was a strange way for God **to divide time.**



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me to **proclaim
good news to the poor**. He has sent me to
proclaim liberty to the **captives** and
recovering of **sight to the blind**, to set at
liberty those **who are oppressed**,¹⁹ to
proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."
(Lk. 4:18-19 ESV)




Luke 7:22 And he answered them,
"Go and tell John what you have seen
and heard: the **blind** receive their
sight, the **lame** walk, **lepers** are
cleansed, and the **deaf** hear, the **dead**
are raised up, **the poor have good**
news preached to them.



2. Mary allowed her brokenness to be a **microphone for God to speak.**



Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel (which means, God with us). (Matt. 1:23 ESV)



For people will be lovers of self,
lovers of money, proud, arrogant,
abusive, disobedient to their parents,
..., without self-control, ..., ⁴ ..., lovers
of pleasure rather than lovers of God,
⁵ **having the appearance of godliness,
but denying its power.** ... (2 Tim. 3:2-5)



3. Mary trusted His **impossible** plan to be **superior to her own.**



4. Mary acted on the **impossible**. Her step gave her the faith to keep on stepping.