

Glory News

The Hope of Glory Pastor Marcella Trammer

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When Mary was given the news that she would birth the Christ child, eternity had penetrated time. As the song says, "Here Comes Heaven". It was truly a miracle birth, and Mary humbly received her calling from God. What a blessing!

But what about us believers? God shows what He can do in *some* lives, as a sample of what He can do in *all* lives. He performs occasional wonders to promote them. When He uses Mary to bring the ultimate hope to us, He not only points the way to salvation, but also points to the possibilities of "Christ in *you*, the hope of glory". Jesus Christ came to touch our world too, not just Mary's.

We look around in wonder and anxiety. But we can't let our realities disintegrate our hopes and dreams. Miracles must happen. Miracles do happen. The norm is expected and not at all special. But we must expect something greater, the miraculous. The difficulties that invade our lives try to restrict us, and we give in and submit to how we think it's just going to be. That's not God's plan.

Know that God has a greater plan, the best plan. Redemption is the embracing of God's divine program of recovery: His reclaiming the lost, forgiving the sinful and then setting about to fulfill His purposes in each one who will receive His offer of love and life. Coming to life as Jesus did through the virgin birth reminds us that God Himself has chosen no beginning point for His wonder-working apart from human beings. In Mary, He demonstrates His willingness to work through an imperfect human and earthen vessel, and He is still unashamed to do the same today.

Ordinary Mary....ordinary us. Tainted by the fall, as well as we. "Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world." *The promise was brought to her; to grow in her; to be delivered through her; to change the world around her.*

He's still looking for human vessels through whom He can implement His redemptive promises. There isn't anyone in history that was more surprised by God's calling than the Virgin Mary. After all, it was an ordinary day. God didn't desire to bring His son into the world with a silver-spoon-in-the-mouth entrance. God doesn't need an elaborate setting to get into the mood for miracles. Was Mary washing dishes, scrubbing clothes, perspiration on her brow? Was she beautifully desirable or just a plain obedient girl?

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Dove Church
Upcoming Events

Growth Track Classes:
1st Sundays: Church 101
2nd Sundays: Essentials 201
3rd Sundays: Discovery 301
4th Sundays: Dream Team 401

Leadership Meeting, December 7, 10am

1-Hour Christmas Service, December 25, 10am

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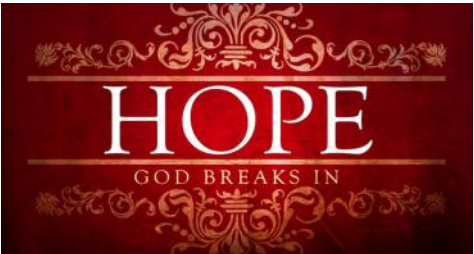
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Pastor Marcella Trammer

Mary’s initial response to the angel’s pronouncement was, “Me?” But she did yield and responded with a willing heart. She didn’t **push** the prophecy, she pondered it and let it happen. Through this experience she learned to say, “Whatever He (Jesus) says to you, do it”. And after Jesus was ascended to heaven, Mary accompanied the disciples in the Upper Room, waiting on the promised Holy Spirit. Her faith and obedience is phenomenal.

The shock that Mary experienced by this overwhelming announcement is cushioned by the declaration, “you are blessed”, “highly favored”. Not to diminish Mary’s unique and miraculous assignment as the mother of the Messiah, but we too are called by God to a unique purpose and role. We are to “rejoice” also, as Gabriel instructed Mary, in our carrying “the Hope of Glory”. Step up to the challenge today and every day.

The next time He calls, say “Here I am”.
He’ll cushion your announcement too!



God's Army of Angels Min. Rose Smith

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Angels are supernatural beings...benevolent celestial beings who act as intermediaries between God and humans. The role of God's Angels are to carry out various tasks on behalf of God for humans. Angels were created by God with supernatural greater abilities and powers beyond our human race. Read (2 Peters 2:11). God's Angels have the ability to enter and exit in and out of Heaven, this story is located in (Genesis 28.12).

One of the Angels functions is to be messengers of God. They protect and guide humans on the right path in which God had planned for humans. (Jeremiah 29:11).

Angels were first mentioned in the Bible in (Genesis 16:7), where God sent angelic help to Hagar.

There are four types of Angels. 1. Arch Angels (War Angels);
2. Seraphim;
3. Cherubim;
4. Throne Angels.



The another purpose of Angels is to give praise and worship to God. Luke 2: 13-14 says, Suddenly there was with a Angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and good will toward all. Revelation 5:12 states, John heard them saying in a loud voice, worthy is the lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, honor, and glory, and blessings.

Genesis 18:10 says an Angel came to visit with Abraham in the form of a man to inform him "I will return unto thee according to the time of life; and lo Sarah thy wife shall have a son".

Hebrews 13.2 tells us to be careful how you entertain strangers, for they might be Angels.

Psalms 91:11-12 says, And He shall give His Angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

(Luke 1:26-35).

The most important story ever told for me in scripture is the when Gabriel, an Angel of God was sent to a virgin woman name Mary, who was highly favored by God. The Angel came to inform Mary that she would be with child. Not just any child but, pregnant by the Holy Spirit. The child would be a son, "and His name shall be Jesus. Jesus would be great and shall be called the Son of the highest". This child would be the Savior of the world. God has everything under control just as He did when He wrapped Himself in flesh and came down to earth in the form of a baby, wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. It was part of God's plan, and the plan is still in effect working itself out today. Keep praying, keep believing, keep hoping, and you will see it all come to pass in this time or our eternal life, just as Anna the prophetess and Simeon saw it.

Fear Does Not Have a Chance to Win

Min. Sherry Holt-Campbell

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What is fear? It is an unpleasant emotion caused by the belief that someone or something is dangerous, and likely to cause pain or a threat to you. The threat is either real or imagined.

Fear takes on many manifestations, such as anxiety, dread, cowardice, phobia, despair, hesitation, panic attacks, and worry. Most of these terms are so familiar to us that it is easy for some form of fear to creep into our daily lives undetected.

When fear grips us, it is paralyzing. It seems difficult to remember that God can break the chains of fear's grip. He has conquered the grave and now lives inside of us. Therefore we should not be afraid to put our trust in Him.



Here is what the word of God says about fear and its friends:

2 Corinthians 4:8-10 (Living Bible) *We are pressed on every side by troubles, but not crushed and broken. We are perplexed because we don't know why things happen as they do, but we don't give up and quit. We are hunted down, but God never abandons us. We get knocked down, but we get up again and keep going. These bodies of ours are constantly facing death just as Jesus did; so it is clear to all that it is only the living Christ within who keeps us safe.*

Fear is one of the tools in Satan's chest that he uses to destroy us. He uses it to keep us from our destiny, our families, and our purpose in life. He uses it to keep us from becoming the best person that we can be. He uses it to keep us from finding our voices in Christ. His main objective for existing is to kill, steal and destroy those who follow Christ. So do not let his device of fear win.

When we stand in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ, fear has to flee. It cannot hang around in the same space when word of God says go!

When God's love is abounding in your life, in your words, and in your actions fear, has no place to set any roots. The Greatness of our God will win all of the time every time.



Music News

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November 23

Danny Gokey
David & Nicole Binion
Covenant Worship

The Greatest Gift
Dwell:Christmas
Make Room (Single)



November 29

Planetshakers
Deitrick Haddon
Tauren Wells
Avalon
Casting Crowns

It's Christmas
T.I.M.E
Citizen of Heaven
Called
NY Sessions



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When You Belittle, You Become Little

Encourage...and build up one another.' 1 Thessalonians 5:11 NAS

Here are four questions you need to be able to answer:

- (1) Do people feel better about themselves after spending time with you?
- (2) Are your expectations so high that you focus on people's shortcomings instead of their strengths?
- (3) When somebody speaks well of a person you don't particularly like, do you feel the need to inject a disparaging remark?
- (4) Are you so insecure and lacking in self-worth that you only feel good about yourself by putting others down?

Well, how did you do on the test? If you're not four-for-four, it's time to spend time with God in prayer and ask Him to help you change your attitude and what comes out of your mouth. Paul says, 'Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.' (Ephesians 4:29 NIV) Words are like hammers: they can be used to break down or build up. It all depends on the person swinging the hammer! It's just as easy to be part of the construction crew as it is to be a member of the wrecking crew. Make a habit of encouraging your family and your friends. Let your wife know she's the only woman in the world for you. Express appreciation for your husband's care and sense of responsibility. Applaud your teenager for avoiding drugs and alcohol. Thank your friends for keeping your secrets! Accept people as they are, and resist the temptation to constantly 'fix' something about them—that's God's job, not yours. Remember, you only have them for a short time!

The Word for Today, Bob Gass

Living Righteously: Choosing to Live Like Christ

While being away from home, I have noticed how easy it is for one to use their newfound freedom in ways that can be problematic. No, I am not saying that this was the case with me. That being said, the following thoughts have come across my mind: “You are only accountable to you and no one else. I am so many miles away from home, who is going to stop me from doing what I want?” These thoughts were admittedly enticing at first, especially since I have seen many friends carry this attitude once they left home. But then, this came to mind: “*Am I truly using my freedom to live like Christ?*” It was at this point where Ephesians 4:1 came to my attention:

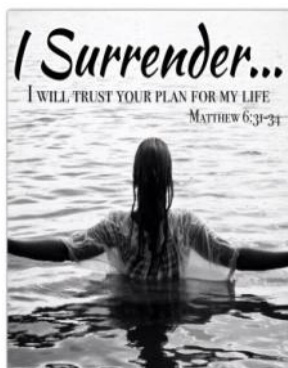
“As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received?”

Living a life worthy of your calling. What exactly does that entail? According to Ephesians 4:17-32, this includes leaving your former life behind, being honest about who you speak of, watching what you say and how you say it, and removing anger and sensuality from your life. All of these things occur when we allow Christ to renew our minds (Ephesians 4:24; Romans 12:2). When our minds are aligned with Him, our behavior will align with Him as well. These are the keys to living righteously. Living in this manner demonstrates that Christ is in you, and His light will shine through. Proverbs 13:9 echoes this, saying that “*The light of the righteous shines brightly, but the lamp of the wicked is snuffed out.*”

Now the question is, *is living like Christ (living righteously) even a concern for you?*

Although it seems that the obvious answer would be yes, this is not the case for most. Many are concerned with fulfilling their desires and prioritize other things. If something is not a concern, then no attention will be given to it. And even if some may say it is a concern, they may show otherwise by their actions.

If you are concerned with living righteously, consider these questions: How am I living right now, and where has it taken me? Do my thoughts and actions line up with Christ?



Although I am allowed to live as I please, I am deliberately choosing to live like Christ. This is a *choice*, meaning that this is something that you need to willingly do in order to live righteously. It may be more challenging to submit your ways to Him, but I assure you that it will also save your life if you do.

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. James 4:7 (NIV)

Name That Christmas Tune

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1. "Round yon virgin mother and child:"
 - Jingle Bells
 - Silent Night
 - I'll Be Home for Christmas
 - We Three Kings

2. "And Heaven and nature sing":
 - Away in a Manger
 - Joy to the World
 - While Shepherds Watched
 - White Christmas

3. "Looked down where He lay":
 - Deck the Halls
 - O Little Town of Bethlehem
 - We Three Kings
 - Away in a Manger

4. "God and sinners reconciled":
 - Hark the Herald Angels Sing
 - O Come All Ye Faithful
 - O Come, O Come Emmanuel
 - The First Noel

5. "Joyful and triumphant":
 - Ave Maria
 - Go Tell It on the Mountain
 - Angels We Have Heard on High
 - O Come All Ye Faithful

6. "O tidings of comfort and joy":
 - God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
 - Jesus, Born on This Day
 - What Child Is This
 - Let It Snow

7. "It is the night of our dear Savior's birth":
 - It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
 - O Holy Night
 - The First Noel
 - Do You Hear What I Hear



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