



Northwest Bible Church
Message Notes: Pastor Mark Trotter
Morning Worship Service
December 6, 2009

"THE PROMISES OF CHRISTMAS"
Luke 1:31-33 (Part 1)

INTRODUCTION- A Little Background...

- ▲ A little background concerning the time...
(*"And in the sixth month..."-1:26a*)

- ▲ A little background concerning Zecharias and Elisabeth...
(*"...a certain priest named Zecharias...and his wife...Elisabeth."-1:5-18, 24*)

- ▲ A little background concerning Gabriel...
(*"...the angel Gabriel was sent from God..."- 1:26, 19*)

- ▲ A little background concerning God's "preparation" of Gabriel...
(*"...Fear not, Mary: for thou has found favour with God." -1:28-30*)

TODAY'S MESSAGE- "The Promises of Christmas"

1. THE _____ PROMISES OF CHRISTMAS. (Luke 1:31-32b)

A. PROMISE #1: Mary would supernaturally _____. (1:31a)
("And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb,...")

B. PROMISE #2: She would give birth to a _____. (1:31b)
("...and bring forth a son,...")

C. PROMISE #3: His name would be _____. (1:31c)
("...and shalt call his name JESUS.")

D. PROMISE #4: He would be _____. (1:32a)
("He shall be great,...")

THE PROPHECIES OF GENESIS 3:15

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MARY'S HYMN OF PRAISE (Luke 1:46-55)

*My soul doth magnify the Lord (Ps. 34:2-3),
And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour (Isa. 12:2).
For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden (Ps. 136:23):
For, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed (Mal 3:12).
For he that is mighty hath done to me great things (Ps. 126:3);
And holy is his name (Ps. 111:9).
And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation (Ps. 103:17).
He hath shewed strength with his arm (Ps. 89:13; 98:1; Ex. 15:6);
He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts (Ps. 33:10).
He hath put down the mighty from their seats (Ps. 107:40),
And exalted them of low degree (Ps. 107:41; 113:7).
He hath filled the hungry with good things (Ps. 107:9);
and the rich he hath sent empty away (Prov. 13:7).
He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy (Ps. 98:3);
As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever (Ps. 105:6-10).*

A BIBLICAL GLIMPSE OF JESUS' "GREATNESS"

- Acts 3:22- GREATER than _____.
- Matthew 12:42- GREATER than _____.
- Matthew 12:41- GREATER than _____.
- Ephesians 1:19- GREATNESS of His _____.
- Ephesians 2:4- GREAT _____.
- Revelation 15:3- GREAT and marvelous _____.
- Hebrews 2:3- GREAT _____.
- Titus 2:13- GREAT _____ and Savior.
- Hebrews 4:14- GREAT _____.
- Hebrews 13:20- GREAT _____.
- Mark 13:26- GREAT power and _____.

E. PROMISE #5: He would be called the _____ of the _____. (1:32b)
("...and shall be called the Son of the Highest...")