

## I AM THE LORD'S SERVANT

Luke 1:26-38

Key verse: 38

*Discussion questions :*

- What does it mean to be favoured by the Lord??
- How should we respond to the favour of the Lord?

*Inductive study questions :*

1. What is the situation before the angel's visit? (26a) What joyful events were happening in Mary's life? (27) What was the angel's greeting to Mary? (28) What does "favour" mean? Why might this have troubled Mary? (29)
2. What were the contents of the angel's message? (30-33) What does this tell us about who the child will be? (2Sa 7:13-16)
3. Why was it hard for Mary to accept this incredible message? (34) Do you think Mary's question was made with faith or unbelief? How did the angel explain this supernatural event? (35) What other evidence does the angel give to Mary? (36) What does the angel conclude about God's power? (37; Compare with other translations about this verse.)
4. What decision did Mary make? (38) What does her statement tell us about her identity and our identity before God? What kind of faith did she have about God's word?