

# Magnificent Song

Luke 1:39-55





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<sup>39</sup> Now at this time Mary arose and went in a hurry to the hill country, to a city of Judah, <sup>40</sup> and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup> When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. <sup>42</sup> And she cried out with a loud voice and said, "Blessed *are* you among women, and blessed *is* the fruit of your womb!" <sup>43</sup> "And how has it *happened* to



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me, that the mother of my Lord would come to me? <sup>44</sup> "For behold, when the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby leaped in my womb for joy. <sup>45</sup> "And blessed *is* she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what had been spoken to her by the Lord." <sup>46</sup> And Mary said: "My soul exalts the Lord, <sup>47</sup> And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. <sup>48</sup> "For He has had regard for the humble state of His



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bondsman; For behold, from this time on all generations will count me blessed. <sup>49</sup> "For the Mighty One has done great things for me; And holy is His name. <sup>50</sup> "AND HIS MERCY IS UPON GENERATION AFTER GENERATION TOWARD THOSE WHO FEAR HIM. <sup>51</sup> "He has done mighty deeds with His arm; He has scattered *those who were* proud in the thoughts of their heart. <sup>52</sup> "He has brought down rulers from *their* thrones, And



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has exalted those who were humble. <sup>53</sup> "HE HAS FILLED THE HUNGRY WITH GOOD THINGS; And sent away the rich empty-handed. <sup>54</sup> "He has given help to Israel His servant, In remembrance of His mercy, <sup>55</sup> As He spoke to our fathers, To Abraham and his descendants forever."

# Expectant Greetings

- What a moment in time... after 400 years...
- Blessed are you, blessed is your “child”
- “the mother of my Lord” (43)
- Elizabeth knew the power of God!
- Blessed are those who believe! (45)



# Elizabeth

- How had she heard Mary was pregnant?
  - Gossip or counsel?
- Child leaps in the womb 'for joy'
- Do we leap for God's plans?
- When 2 or 3 gather...



# Mary's Heart

- My soul exalts the Lord - 1 Sam 2:1-10
  - *psuche* - heart, breath, passions
  - *megaluno* - exalts, magnify, make great
- Mary quotes 12 passages!
- Praising God for His work
- “God my Savior” (47)





# God Focus

- The Mighty One ~?
  - Does great things! A baby? Much more!
  - Holy is His Name
  - Mighty deeds ~ 'His arm'
  - Mercy to those in awe...
  - Scattered proud hearts ~



# God's Acts

- God deals with failures!
  - Rulers brought down ~
  - Exalts the humble! How many times...
  - Fills the hungry with 'good things'
  - Sends the 'rich' away empty...



# God's Focus

- Israel His Servant!?
  - Even in all the failures, limitations
  - He remembers in mercy!
  - Back to the 'fathers' ~
  - Abraham and the 'offspring'

