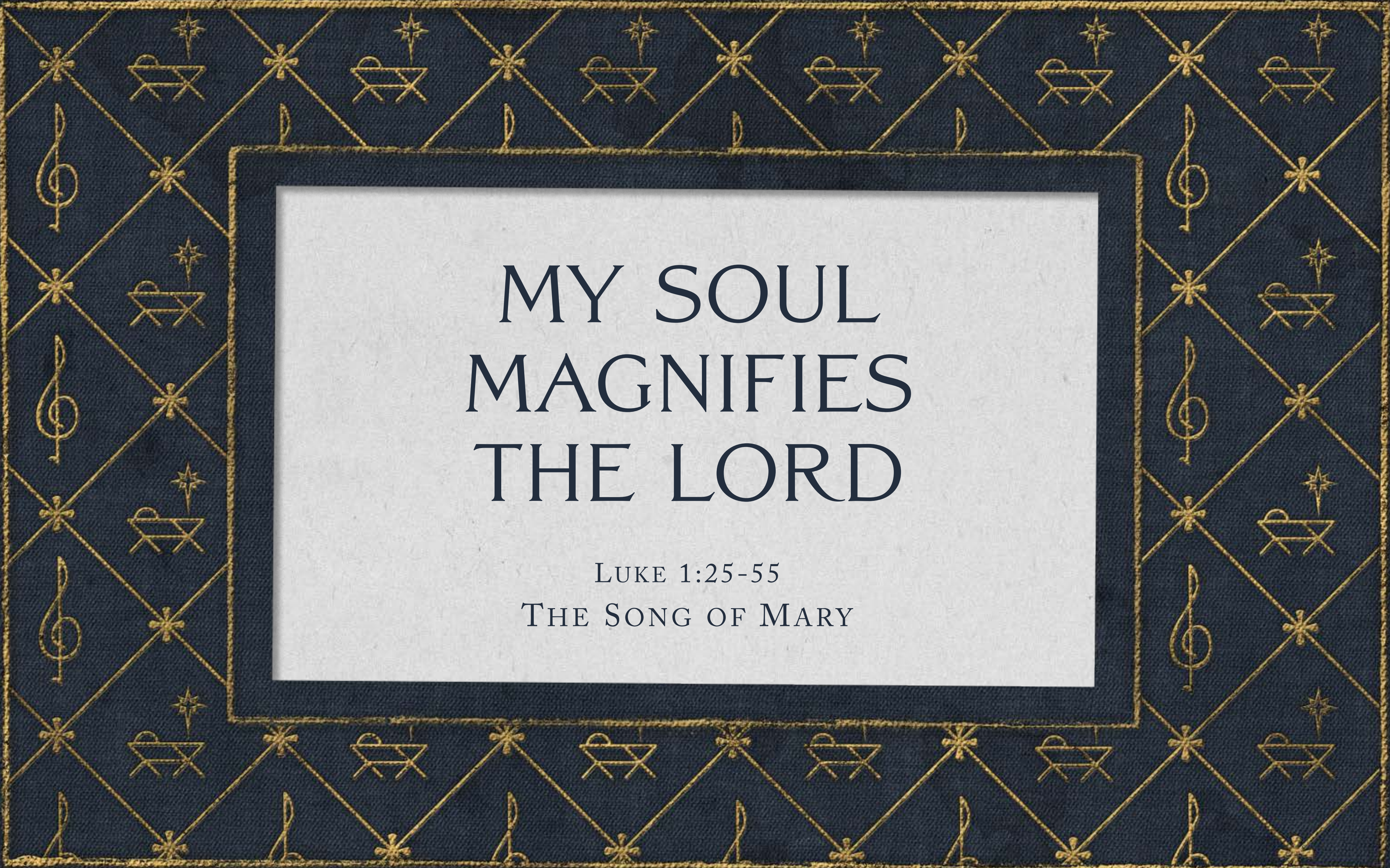


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MY SOUL
MAGNIFIES
THE LORD

LUKE 1:25-55

THE SONG OF MARY

LUKE 1:26-38

²⁶ When Elizabeth was **six months pregnant**, God sent the **angel Gabriel** to Nazareth, a city in Galilee,
²⁷ to a virgin who was **engaged** to a man **named Joseph**, a descendant of David's house. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ When the angel came to her, he said, "**Rejoice, favored one! The Lord is with you!**"

LUKE 1:26-38

29 She was **confused by these words** and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. 30 The angel said, “**Don’t be afraid, Mary. God is honoring you.**”

31 Look! You will **conceive and give birth to a Son,** and you will **name Him Jesus.** 32 He will be **great** and He will be called the **Son of the Most High.**

LUKE 1:26-38

The Lord God will give Him the **throne of David**
His father. ³³ He will **rule** over Jacob's house forever,
and there will **be no end to His kingdom.**"

³⁴ Then Mary said to the angel, "**How will this**
happen since I haven't had sexual relations
with a man?"



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SHE ASKS FOR
CLARITY

LUKE 1:34-35

³⁴ And Mary said to the angel, “**How will this be**, since I am a virgin?” ³⁵ The angel replied, “The Holy Spirit will come over you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the One who is to be born will be holy. He will be called God’s Son.”



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SHE GETS COURAGE
NOT CLARITY

LUKE 1:36-45

³⁶ Look, **even in her old age**, your relative **Elizabeth** has **conceived a son**. This woman who was **labeled ‘unable to conceive’** is now six months pregnant.

³⁷ Nothing is impossible for God.” ³⁸ Then Mary said, “I am the Lord’s servant. **Let it be with me just as you have said. [Let it be to me according to your word].**” Then the angel left her.

LUKE 1:36-45

³⁹ Mary got up and hurried to a city in the Judean highlands. ⁴⁰ She entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was **filled with the Holy Spirit**. ⁴² With a loud voice she blurted out, "**God has blessed you above all women,**

LUKE 1:36-45

and He has **blessed the Child you carry.** ⁴³ Why do I have this honor, **that the mother of my Lord should come to me?** ⁴⁴ As soon as I heard your greeting, the **baby in my womb jumped for joy.** ⁴⁵ **Happy is she who believed** that the Lord would fulfill the promises He made to her.”



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1. WE ADD COURAGE
TO OTHERS BY...

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*Sharing what God has
conceived in us.*

1. WE ADD COURAGE TO OTHERS BY...

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*Share their excitement and joy
in the midst of uncertainty.*



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2. WHAT DOES MAGNIFYING GOD DO?

LUKE 1:46-55

⁴⁶ Mary said, “With all my heart I **glorify [my soul magnifies]** the Lord! ⁴⁷ In the **depths of who I am I rejoice [my spirit rejoices]** in God my Savior.

⁴⁸ He has **looked with favor** on the **low status** of His **servant**. Look! From now on, everyone will **consider me highly favored** ⁴⁹ **because** the **Mighty One has done great things for me.**

LUKE 1:46-55

Holy is His name. ⁵⁰ He **shows mercy to everyone**, from one generation to the next, who honors Him as God. ⁵¹ He has **shown strength with His arm**. He has **scattered** those with **arrogant thoughts** and **proud inclinations**. ⁵² He has **pulled the powerful down** from their thrones and **lifted up the lowly**. ⁵³ He has **filled** the **hungry** with good things

LUKE 1:46-55

and sent the rich away empty-handed. ⁵⁴ He has come to the aid of His servant Israel, **remembering His mercy,** ⁵⁵ just as He promised to our ancestors, to Abraham and to Abraham's descendants forever.”

2. WHAT DOES MAGNIFYING GOD DO?

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Settles our soul in God.

2. WHAT DOES MAGNIFYING GOD DO?

—

Gives perspective in our trials.

2. WHAT DOES MAGNIFYING GOD DO?

—

*Helps us view ourselves
and others clearer.*

God is not ashamed of the lowliness of human beings. God marches right in. He chooses people as His instruments and performs His wonders where one would least expect them. God is near to lowliness; He loves the lost, the neglected, the unseemly, the excluded, the weak and the broken.

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3. WHAT DID MARY KNOW?

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Jesus would scatter and gather.

3. WHAT DID MARY KNOW?

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Jesus would show mercy.

3. WHAT DID MARY KNOW?

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*Jesus is the fulfillment of the
law and the prophets.*

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