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Sermon Notes

The Visit That Changed The World | Luke 1:26-38  
November 29, 2020

1. \_\_\_\_\_ coming to dinner? (v. 26-30)
2. Dining with \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 29-30)
3. Motherhood and \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 31-33)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ by faith. (v. 34-38)

## QUESTIONS

ICEBREAKER: Would you ever try space tourism if you had the money for it?

1. Why was it important for Luke to record that Joseph was a descendant of David [Luke 1:27]? Examine Matthew 22:41-45; Luke 2:8-14; and 2 Timothy 2:8-10 for more insights.
2. How do you understand the angel Gabriel's greeting to Mary, "O favoured one" [Luke 1:28]? Was she a bestower of grace, or was she a recipient of grace? What is the difference [cf. John 1:16; Romans 1:5; Ephesians 1:6]?
3. What do you learn about the Baby Boy to be born to Mary from Gabriel's description in Luke 1:31-33 [cf. Isaiah 9:6-7; Matthew 1:21; and Acts 2:29-36]?
4. The Virgin Birth announced in Luke 1:34-35 is a core teaching of Christianity. How would you explain it to a skeptical friend? Why was it necessary for Jesus to be born in this way [cf. Matthew 1:18-23; Hebrews 1:1-3; Hebrews 4:14-15; and Hebrews 7:26-28]?
5. What are the implications of Jesus bearing the title the "Son of God" [Luke 1:35]? Why is this critical to our salvation [cf. Matthew 14:33; John 1:49; and John 20:30-31]?
6. Mary's response to the angelic announcement is exemplary [Luke 1:38]. What do you learn about her, and how does she serve as a model to believers today [cf. John 14:21; James 4:7-10; and 1 Peter 5:6-7]?
7. What did you find helpful or challenging about this Sunday's message?

"[The virgin birth] graphically shows that salvation comes "from above" and that the source of our hope and confidence lies in the living God who entered into human history in the historical figure of Jesus Christ. The virgin birth marks off the origin of Christ from the human race just as his end is marked off by the resurrection." (Donald Bloesch)