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A reading from the Gospel according to Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to the town of Nazareth in Galilee. The angel went to a young virgin who was engaged to Joseph, from the family of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel said to her,

"Rejoice Mary, you have been blessed by God.

The Lord is with you and you are filled with grace."

Mary was very confused and disturbed by what the angel said, And she wondered what it could mean. The angel said to her,

"Don't be afraid, Mary. God has chosen you.

You are going to give birth to a baby.

You will give him the name, Jesus.

He will be great, and he will be called the Son of God.

He will be the ruler of the family of David,

And his kingdom will never end."

Mary said to the angel,

"How can this happen, since I do not have a husband?" The angel answered her,

"The power of God will make it possible.

The Holy Spirit will come to you

And this Holy Child will be called the Son of God

And you cousin, Elizabeth, is also going to have a baby Even though she seems too old,

For nothing is impossible with God."

And Mary said,

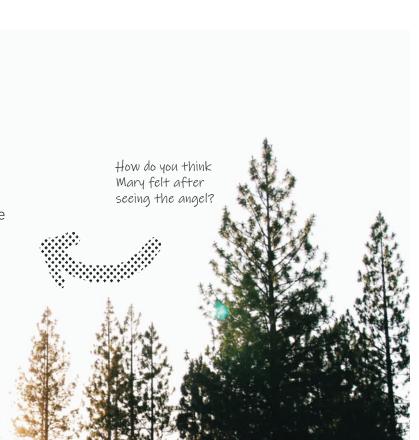
am the servant of the Lord. Let what you have said be

the angel left her.

Cospel of the Lord.



This story is sometimes called the Annunciation. It's when Mary finds out she will be the Mother of God.





If you have an Advent wreath with candles at home, find some time to say the following Advent prayer.

Leader: This is the fourth and last week of Advent. Soon the Light will be in the world. Let us pray in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Leader: We light the last candle on our wreath and we stand in silence to admire the beauty of the light in its fullness. (Light all candles)

Let us pray....

"Father, help us to be open to all that God asks us as Mary was. Help us to say "yes" in a spirit of love, that the world may be ready to receive your Son Jesus when he comes again in glory. "

Amen.



Connect the dots below to find the angel!

