

Trust through Tension: Mary

Luke 1:26-55

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Key Idea

Through the tensions of this life, God's people are called to fully trust God.

Review:

Joseph (Matthew 1:18-25)

Complete trust through tension...

Demands taking God at His Word

Even when fear seems to be crippling

Even when it doesn't make complete sense at the time

Requires active steps of obedience

Even when obedience is not convenient

Even if obedience takes extreme effort

Involves watching for God's simple reassurances

Primarily from His divine revelation

Even from unexpected means

Considerations in Mary's Story:

Mary's life

Mary's tension

Complete trust through tension...

Focuses on how BIG God is

Believing that a big God will work His plan

He will handle the unknowable details (35)

He will provide the necessary encouragement (36)

He will do the impossible (37)

Believing that a big God uses the lowly in His plan

He regards the lowly estate of His servants (38, 48)

He exalts the lowly in his time (52)

Believing that a big God is powerful enough to provide support for His plan

He is mighty/strong (49, 51)

He is the Savior (47)

He is holy (49)

He is merciful (50, 54)

He is just (51-53)

He is a helper/provider (53-54)

So What?

In your tension, who are you primarily focusing on?

In your tension, will you openly praise your BIG God?