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## DAY ONE: WHO IS JESUS? WHO AM I?

Finish each sentence with a word that best describes you:

I am \_\_\_\_\_ (tall/short).

I am \_\_\_\_\_ (funny/serious).

I am good at \_\_\_\_\_.

What word did you say? I am God's child? I am God's creation? I am God's friend? In The Bible, the angel told Mary some shocking news. She would be the mother of the Savior! Mary could have said a lot of things to the angel. She could have said, "I am too young." She could have said, "I am afraid." She could have said, "I am not ready for this job." But Mary did not say any of those things. Look at what the Bible says in Luke 1:38:

*"See, I am the Lord's servant," said Mary. "May it happen to me as you have said." Then the angel left her.*

Mary knew she was God's servant and wanted to honor Him. God's plan for Mary's life was for her to be the mother of Jesus. It was a special job that only one woman would have. God has a special plan for your life, too. You may be a musician, an artist, or the star of the basketball team. Those jobs are special, but the most important job of all is to love God and serve Him with your life.

- What is one way God has made you special?
- How can you serve God with the special gifts He has given you?





## DAY TWO: I HAVE QUESTIONS

Throughout the Bible, people asked God many questions. Abraham wanted to know if he would have a son (Genesis 15:2). Moses wanted to know how he could lead the people out of Israel (Exodus 3:11). King David asked God if he should go into battle (1 Samuel 30:8). God wants us to bring Him our hard questions. He wants us to know Him more.

The angel Gabriel told Mary she would have a baby and would name that baby Jesus. Mary had questions! She was not yet married to Joseph. How could she have a baby? Read the answer the angel gave her:

*"The angel replied to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.'"*

Sometimes we have questions too. Life can be hard to understand, and we might wonder why things happen the way they do. God wants us to talk to Him. We can trust His wisdom and know that His ways are always good.

James 1:5 says, *Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God—who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly—and it will be given to him.*

God isn't mad when we ask Him big questions. In fact, this verse says we can trust God to give us big answers! God answered Mary's big question through the angel. He might answer your big questions through reading the Bible, praying, or even through the wisdom of someone else like your parents or your pastor.

- What's a big question you want to ask God? Spend some time talking to Him about it today.





## DAY THREE: JESUS ANSWERS EVERYTHING

- Have you ever wondered what God is like? How does He look? What is the sound of His voice? What makes God laugh? What makes God sad?
- We know God is real, but sometimes it's hard to picture Him in our minds. What can we do?

Hebrews 1:3 says, *The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact expression of his nature, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.*

Wow! If we want to know what God is like, we look to Jesus. He is the exact picture of who God is and what God does. Jesus grew up just like us. He ate and drank and talked and had friends and worshiped God. But unlike us, Jesus never sinned. Then, Jesus died to pay for our sins and was raised back to life. Hebrews 1:3 tells us that now He is in heaven, making a place for us to be with God forever.

Before that, Jesus was born as a baby, just like you and me. Luke 2:6-7 says,

*While they were there, the time came for her to give birth. Then she gave birth to her firstborn son, and she wrapped him tightly in cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.*

Jesus could have come as an adult. He could have come as a mighty warrior. He could have come as a celebrity. Instead, He came as a baby to experience life just like us. Do you want to know what God is like? Just look at Jesus!

- What can you do this week to learn more about Jesus? How can you keep getting to know Him better?

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