

Nov 29th 2017

Surprise – Your Pregnant

Read the Mission Statement. Encourage everyone to be involved but to be sure and allow others to participate and to keep their comments on topic.

Lesson adapted from – churchleaders.com

ICE BREAKER: If an angel told you (or your parents) that you were going to have a child this year, how would you react?

LESSON:

Read – Isaiah 7:14 *Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.*

Although the coming of a Messiah had been prophesied about for over 700 years (maybe even as far back as Genesis 3:15). Finding out that you are expecting a child, especially when it seems absolutely impossible, is a big surprise. Even if it is God's plan, some things will catch you off guard.

Let's look at two big surprises.

Surprise #1: Luke 1:26-35 – Mary's Surprise

Surprise #2: Luke 1:13-18 – Zachariah's Surprise

DISCUSSION

1. How does Gabriel's words to Mary compare to his words to Zechariah? What is the same and what is different?
2. How do you think Mary felt about the angel's message? How would it be different than how Zechariah might have felt?

3. What was the hardest thing for Mary to comprehend?
4. Can you share a time when you were fearful yet believing? How did God meet you?
5. In what areas of your life do you need to believe that nothing is impossible with God?
6. What keeps you (us) from believing this?

PRAY: The Christmas season should be a time of hope and belief instead of a time of dread, worry and business. Pray that God might remind us and that we might respond to the hope that the birth of Christ brought into this world. Even if the way God works in our life might be a big surprise.

HOME FELLOWSHIP MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Home Groups to provide the Body of Christ a safe haven to minister to the needs of others by opening our homes in fellowship, joining together in worship, and encouraging each other to become more like Christ.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Children's Musical – Dec 3rd 11 AM
- Hyphen Christmas Event – Dec 7th
- Youth Christmas Party – Dec 8th
- Ladies' Tour of Homes – Dec 9th
- 11 AM Worship Service only – Dec 10th
- Senior's Christmas Party – Dec 12th
- New Life Christmas – Dec 17th 11AM Service Only
- Christmas Eve Service – Dec 24th 5PM
- No Wednesday Service – Dec 27th
- 11 AM Worship Service only (& Communion) – Dec 31st