MY STORY

1. Have you ever been asked to do something you thought was “over your head”? Your response might have been, “You want ME to do WHAT??” Share. How did it turn out?

QUICK REVIEW

Our December sermon series is titled "Glory to the Newborn King." It is drawn from the familiar carol, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" as we explore the all the titles used of Jesus Christ in that theologically rich hymn. This week we consider that fact the He is the “Offspring of the Virgin’s Womb.” Luke 1:26-38 records the moment Mary was informed of things to come in her life and through her womb. This passage holds the most detailed teaching of the virgin birth in Scripture.

Read Luke 1:26-38

Three points of application

1. It spotlights God’s ____________ power (1:35, 37).

2. It displays God’s ______________ initiative (1:28, 30).

3. It speaks of God’s provision of _____________ (1:32-33).

Was any point in this weekend’s message particularly challenging, encouraging or helpful for you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?
DIGGING DEEPER

1. Have you ever met anyone who doubted to virgin birth? Have you? Why do you think this doctrine has been a challenge for some people?

2. Read Luke 1:37 and Ephesians 3:20-21. Do you believe these statements? What are some areas where your faith might be waning, where you need to be renewed in your confidence for God’s power to be at work?

3. Read Luke 1:38. What does this response reveal about Mary’s character? What holds people back from being totally “sold out” to the will of God?

4. What encouragement do these passages offer to the one who is reticent to being totally surrendered to God?
   - Isaiah 51:7-8
   - Romans 12:1-2
   - Philippians 4:4-7
   - II Timothy 1:6-7