

Miracles Signs & Wonders Bible Study 5

“A Revealing Visit” – Luke 1:26-38

6-4-19

Textual Tidbits

- Biblical engagements/betrothals were more permanent than modern engagements because the engaged couple had to get a divorce in order to dissolve the relationship
- According to the Faithlife Study Bible, the term “virgin” usually refers to a female of marriageable age, with or without focus on virginity
- Much of the language within today’s lesson draws from prophecies and Messianic descriptions found in Isaiah

Questions

1. What are your first impressions from today's lesson?

2. Read Isaiah 7:14 & Isaiah 11:1-2. What parts of today’s lesson suggest that Isaiah’s prophecy about the Messiah is being fulfilled?

Isaiah 7:14

Isaiah 11:1-2

3. Why do you think that the angel Gabriel spends so much time reassuring Mary of Nazareth that she doesn't have to be worried or afraid?

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4. What “sign” does Gabriel offer Mary to show her that “nothing is impossible with God”? How is this particular sign similar to what God has chosen Mary to do?

The sign is....

The sign is similar to Mary’s experience because....

5. Do you find Mary’s reaction at the end of this lesson wondrous? Yes ☐ No ☐

Why do you feel this way?

6. Over the centuries, Mary of Nazareth has been portrayed as a mild and timid person. After studying today’s lesson, do you feel that’s the best description of her? Yes ☐ No ☐ How does the text support your answer?

7. Do you and Mary of Nazareth have anything in common? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, how is God’s call on your life similar to hers? If not, what’s makes God’s call on your life so different?