

Luke 1: 26-56 Something about Mary

A great baby for a humble teenager v.26-33

v.29 Why was Mary's mind troubled?

Have you ever wondered why God has been gracious to you?

Mary submits her body to God's will v.34-38

v.34 How will this be? How's it going to work

- v.35-37 God will do it - nothing is impossible with God

Submitting to God's plan

God's plan for the humble and the proud v.46-55

Humble lifted up, proud brought down

- "Pride is a condition of the heart that does not submit to God. it does not delight in God having absolute power and authority. It wants to rebel **against** God or **negotiate** with God. Pride is consumed with self."
(Piper, *Bloodlines*)

Only the gospel can break pride: realise our sin and seek God's grace and mercy.

Philippians 2: ultimate humility an example for us