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Community  
**Bible**  
Experience

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**Part 1 – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2020**



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## JOIN THE CONVERSATION.

Think of your weekly discussion group as a book club, rather than a Bible study. All you have to do is come prepared to share your responses to five simple questions:

- 💡 What's something you noticed **for the first time**?
- 💡 What **questions** did you have?
- 😞 Was there anything that **bothered** you?
- 💖 What did you learn about **loving God**?
- 👥 What did you learn about **loving others**?

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## NEW TESTAMENT 8-WEEK READING PLAN

You'll read a number of pages each day, five days a week (Monday–Friday). Each day's reading continues to the end of the last page or largest section break indicated on that page.

Don't worry if you fall behind; you can always use weekends to catch up.

### WEEK 1 Luke - Acts

- ☐ Day 1 p. 1–11
- ☐ Day 2 p. 12–25
- ☐ Day 3 p. 25–34
- ☐ Day 4 p. 34–44
- ☐ Day 5 p. 44–56

### WEEK 2 Luke - Acts, 1-2 Thessalonians

- ☐ Day 6 p. 57–66
- ☐ Day 7 p. 66–78
- ☐ Day 8 p. 78–90
- ☐ Day 9 p. 90–106
- ☐ Day 10 p. 107–119

### WEEK 3 1-2 Corinthians, Galatians, Romans

- ☐ Day 11 p. 121–131
- ☐ Day 12 p. 131–142
- ☐ Day 13 p. 143–157
- ☐ Day 14 p. 159–169
- ☐ Day 15 p. 171–186

### WEEK 4 Romans, Colossians, Ephesians, Philemon, Philippians, 1 Timothy, Titus, 2 Timothy

- ☐ Day 16 p. 186–196
- ☐ Day 17 p. 197–203
- ☐ Day 18 p. 205–218
- ☐ Day 19 p. 219–234
- ☐ Day 20 p. 235–247

### WEEK 5 Matthew

- ☐ Day 21 p. 249–263
- ☐ Day 22 p. 263–275
- ☐ Day 23 p. 275–283
- ☐ Day 24 p. 283–296
- ☐ Day 25 p. 296–303

### WEEK 6 Hebrews, James, Mark

- ☐ Day 26 p. 305–311
- ☐ Day 27 p. 311–324
- ☐ Day 28 p. 325–332
- ☐ Day 29 p. 333–351
- ☐ Day 30 p. 351–367

### WEEK 7 1-2 Peter, Jude, John

- ☐ Day 31 p. 369–376
- ☐ Day 32 p. 377–386
- ☐ Day 33 p. 387–403
- ☐ Day 34 p. 403–416
- ☐ Day 35 p. 416–430

### WEEK 8 1-3 John, Revelation

- ☐ Day 36 p. 431–445
- ☐ Day 37 p. 447–455
- ☐ Day 38 p. 455–469
- ☐ Day 39 p. 469–477
- ☐ Day 40 catch-up day

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# Angel stories Google search 274,000,000 results in less than 1 second



# The angel Gabriel has the honour to announce the wonder of the birth of Jesus (Luke 1:26, 30, 35–37).

1. Mary, a virgin, is chosen (favoured) by God (Luke 1:28).
2. Mary will give birth to King Jesus, son of the Most High (Luke 1:31–33).
3. Mary's conception of Jesus is a miracle of the Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35).





# WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THIS MAKE?

- 1. God understands your life** - both its celebrations and desperations.
- 2. Obedience has a history** – Mary is saying a BIG yes to God
- 3. The birth of Jesus, (the incarnation) is God's shout of love** (John 3:16)



# God uses Augustus' decree to move Mary from Nazareth to Bethlehem (Luke 2:1, 3–4).

1. Fulfilment of ancient prophecy: Micah prophesies that the Messiah will be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2).
2. God uses world leaders to accomplish his purposes (Luke 2:1), e.g. example, Cyrus (Persian king (Isaiah 45:1,13) and Caesar Augustus.

## Mary and Joseph arrive in crowded Bethlehem and Jesus is born (Luke 2:5–7).

1. Jesus is born to poor parents in humble circumstances (Luke 2:7).
2. Jesus, God's Son, was born as the humble king.







# WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THIS MAKE?

- God's purposes overcome all obstacles in His path. (*We call God's unstoppable purposes his sovereignty*)
- Every human being exists as a living expression of God's image, infinitely valuable to God.
- You can trust God with the details of your life.
- What or who do you need to give to God?



# CONCLUSION:

- ***Something I want you to know:*** God understands your life, both its celebrations and desperations. He is working out His eternal plan.
- ***Something I want you to feel:*** God can be trusted with the details of your life because you are loved as much as Jesus. (*John 17:26*)
- ***Something I want you to do:*** be like Mary, say YES to God. Start today (*take the next step of obedience*).

