

Christ's Birth Announced to Mary



[26](#)Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, [27](#)to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. [28](#)And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; [\[e\]](#)blessed are you among women!"

[29](#)But [\[f\]](#)when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. [30](#)Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. [31](#)And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. [32](#)He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest;

and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. [33](#)And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”

[34](#)Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I [\[a\]](#)do not know a man?”

[35](#)And the angel answered and said to her, “*The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.* [36](#)Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. [37](#)For with God nothing will be impossible.”

[38](#)Then Mary said, “Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.