



Mary, Mother of Jesus

Her Virtues

Mary had a respect for the Word of God. She had capacity to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. Luke 1:38; Luke 1:46.

"And Mary said, 'Behold, the bondservant of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word.' And the angel departed from her." (Luke 1:38, NASB)

"And Mary said: 'My soul exalts the Lord,' (Luke 1:46, NASB)

She understood the grace of God. She understood the essence of God. Luke 1:48; Luke 1:49-52.

"For He has had regard for the humble state of His bondservant; For behold, from this time on all generations will count me blessed. 'For the Mighty One has done great things for me; And holy is His name. "AND HIS MERCY IS UPON GENERATION AFTER GENERATION TOWARD THOSE WHO FEAR HIM. "He has done mighty deeds with His arm; He has scattered those who were proud in the thoughts of their heart. "He has brought down rulers from their thrones, And has exalted those who were humble." (Luke 1:48-52, NASB)

She understood the depravity of man. She had the ability to think Bible doctrine. Why? She respected authority and enjoyed its fruits. Luke 1:53; Luke 2:19.

"HE HAS FILLED THE HUNGRY WITH GOOD THINGS; And sent away the rich empty-handed." (Luke 1:53, NASB)

"But Mary treasured all these things, pondering them in her heart." (Luke 2:19, NASB)

Her Understanding and Application of Bible doctrine

She knew Scripture and therefore knew Him. Luke 1:46; 1 Sam. 2:1; Psalms 34:2-3.

"And Mary said: 'My soul exalts the Lord,' (Luke 1:46, NASB)

"Then Hannah prayed and said, 'My heart exults in the LORD; My horn is exalted in the LORD, My mouth speaks boldly against my enemies, Because I rejoice in Your salvation.' (1 Samuel 2:1, NASB)

"My soul will make its boast in the LORD; The humble will hear it and rejoice. O magnify the LORD with me, And let us exalt His name together." (Psalms 34:2-3, NASB)

She knew who her Son really was. Luke 1:49; Psalms 111:9.

"For the Mighty One has done great things for me; And holy is His name." (Luke 1:49, NASB)

"He has sent redemption to His people; He has ordained His covenant forever; Holy and awesome is His name." (Psalms 111:9, NASB)

She knew of His mercy. He understood the Abrahamic, Palestinian, Davidic, and New Covenants. Luke 1:50; Gen. 17:7; Exodus 20:5-6; Psalms 107:13.

"AND HIS MERCY IS UPON GENERATION AFTER GENERATION TOWARD THOSE WHO FEAR HIM." (Luke 1:50, NASB)

"I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their



generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you.” (Genesis 17:7, NASB)

“You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.” (Exodus 20:5-6, NASB)

“Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble; He saved them out of their distresses.” (Psalms 107:13, NASB)

She knew He was the unique Son of God who had taken on the form of her son in one person. She knew that His deity had spoken to Abraham and others in Old Testament times. Luke 1:55; Gen. 17:9.

“As He spoke to our fathers, To Abraham and his descendants forever.” (Luke 1:55, NASB)

“God said further to Abraham, “Now as for you, you shall keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations.” (Genesis 17:9, NASB)

She was born-again. Luke 1:47.

“And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.” (Luke 1:47, NASB)

She understood grace. She had not earned or deserved to be the human channel for the Messiah. She was able to apply the Word to her experience. Luke 1:48-49.

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She understood His essence and His ability to supply every need. Luke 1:49-53.

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