

Tuesday
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But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary. You have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you will give him the name Jesus.”

Luke 1:30

One of the most beautiful Christmas songs to come along in the past few years was written by Mark Lowry, who sings with the Gaithers. He was asked to write the words to the music a friend had written. He came up with the song “***Mary Did You Know?***”. Read the words carefully.

*Mary did you know that your baby boy would one day walk on water?
Mary did you know that your baby boy would save our sons and daughters?
Did you know that your baby boy has come to make you new?
That child that you delivered will soon deliver you?*

*Mary did you know that your baby boy will give sight to a blind man?
Mary did you know that your baby boy will calm the storm with his hand?
Did you know that your baby boy has walked where angels trod?
When you kiss your little baby, you kiss the face of God.*

*The blind will see, the deaf will hear, the dead will live again.
The lame will leap, the dumb will speak the praises of the Lamb.*

*Mary did you know that your baby boy is Lord of all creation?
Mary did you know that your baby boy will one day rule the nations?
Did you know that your baby boy is heaven’s perfect lamb?
This sleeping child you’re holding is the great I Am!*

I listened and sang along with this song and then one line really jolted me. Reread the words and see if you find it. The line I'm talking about is "*When you kiss your little baby, you kiss the face of God*". Think about it! Kissing the face of God!

Mary was only a young teenager when she told the angel Gabriel she was willing to bear the disgrace and humiliation of being an unwed mother. Listen to what she answered. "I am the Lord's servant. May it be as you have said." What courage she had! May we too always be willing to follow the Lord's leading.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank you for Mary and your precious son Jesus who were both willing to follow your leading. May the peace of Christmas always live in our hearts. Amen.

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