

“A WALK WITH MARY”  
Advent Series: *A Walk to Bethlehem*  
Sermon Questions from The Path

What “impossible” events or situations have you seen change and become possible in your lifetime? (*fall of Communism in Russia, family situations, etc.*)

What impossible situations became possible in the Bible? (*Abraham & Sarah, Moses & Exodus, Jesus’ death & resurrection, disciples changing the world*)

Read Luke 1:26-27. What is the setting for this next scene in Luke following the initial story about Zechariah & Elizabeth? Share as much as you know about the location and the participants in the story.

Read Luke 1:28-29. What was the greeting Gabriel gave? Why would that have troubled Mary? Why was she more troubled about the message than the fact an angel appeared? Share times when someone’s greeting alarmed you. What was it about the greeting that troubled you? If an angel greeted you like this, why might your reaction be different from Mary’s?

Read Luke 1:30-33. What was the message of the angel? What significance was this child? What would be your thoughts as Gabriel was giving you this news?

Read Luke 1:34. What issues does Mary have with the message? What part does morality play in answering God’s call? Why or why not?

Read Luke 1:35-37. What do you think of the likelihood of the virgin birth? How critical is the virgin birth to the Christian message? What is the significance of Gabriel’s answer? What is the significance of his message to God’s call in our life?

Read Luke 1:38. Why does Mary accept the message of God? What does her statement say about Mary’s character? What does Mary teach us about answering God’s call to be a part of the impossible?