



## Sermon Discussion Questions

### "The Type of Person God Uses"

Luke 1:26-55

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Openers:

Who do you contact first when you have good news to share? Why?

What song has been playing in your mind lately? When has that song annoyed you? Inspired you?

Questions: [The following questions are meant to supplement the sermon, to offer further points of interaction with the selected text. Feel free to ask your group your own questions regarding the sermon or text.]

1. How do you suppose Mary felt about the angel's message foretelling her super-natural pregnancy? What do you think was the hardest thing for Mary to comprehend?
2. What do you learn about Jesus Christ from the angel's announcement (vv 30-33)?
3. For what does Mary praise God in this song (vv 46-55)?
4. In verses 51-53, who are the "proud," the "rulers" and the "rich," whose overthrow she celebrates?
5. What contrasts does she make in verses 51-53? How do these reflect her feeling about God? About herself?

Application:

6. When were you recently fearful or worried but believing? How did God "meet" you?
7. In what area of life do you desire to believe that nothing is impossible with God? What keeps you from wholeheartedly believing this?
8. Of the attributes of God celebrated in Mary's song, which do you appreciate the most? Which challenges you the most? Why?

How does this passage inform your week ahead -- how will it encourage you in what you expect to meet?

\*These questions were adapted from *The NIV Quiet Time Bible* (InterVarsity, 1996) and *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998).