

## Lesson 95 Answers and Comments

Correction Eph. 2:2 should be 2:12

Gospel	grace	Christ	know
God	grace	aliens	him
Prophets	salvation	strangers	
Scriptures	riches	covenants	
Jesus	grace	promise	
Christ	exceeding	no	
David	riches	without	
Head	grace	God	
Heel	glorious	salvation	
Gospel	gospel	God	
Christ	committed	gentiles	
Jesus	my	gospel	
Christ	glorious	peace	
Crucified	gospel	peace	
Gospel	14	with	
Christ	glory	God	
Gospel	grace	he	
Christ	glory	peace	
Received	goodness	reconcile	
Lord	cleft	cross	
Jesus	rock	peace	
Testify	hand	peace	
Gospel	gospel	keep	
Grace	your	hearts	
God	salvation	minds	
Grace	gospel	another	
Saved	uncircumcision	gospel	
Justified	Gentiles	another	

Recently there was a conference in New York for noteworthy pastors. Invited were some of the most well-known, influential and “successful” men in the country. They had agreed that the churches had strayed from preaching the gospel.

They were certainly right there. But I dare say, having heard most of them preach, they are unclear and even misleading when it comes to which gospel is to be preached. Paul’s gospel is in effect today for soul salvation and edification. Christ died for our sins, was buried and rose again! Christ’s death is all that God will accept, all that God is satisfied with as the payment for your sin. Have you put your faith in Him? God will save you by His grace when you do.

## Lesson 96 What Did Mary Know?

Read Luke 1:26-38

There is a popular Christmas song called, “Mary Did You Know?”

I thought it would be interesting to take a look at just what Mary did know. We know that Mary was a Jewish girl espoused to Joseph when the angel Gabriel appeared to her and declared that she would \_\_\_\_\_ and bring forth a \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 31. This conception would not be by normal means. The \_\_\_\_\_ would come upon her and the power of the \_\_\_\_\_ would \_\_\_\_\_ her and her baby, that \_\_\_\_\_ thing would be called the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 35. She was told that his name should be called \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 31. Her son would be given the \_\_\_\_\_ of his father \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 32. And in vs. 33 He would \_\_\_\_\_ over the house of \_\_\_\_\_ and of his \_\_\_\_\_ there would be no \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 33.

Having heard this astounding word of God from Gabriel what was Mary’s reply?

Luke 1:37 “For with \_\_\_\_\_ nothing shall be \_\_\_\_\_. Vs. 38 “And Mary said, \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy \_\_\_\_\_...”

I don’t pick up even a hint of doubt, skepticism or disbelief. Why? These were some pretty incredible statements that she was told. What kept Mary from unbelief? She knew the scriptures!

Is. 7:14 “Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a \_\_\_\_\_; Behold a \_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_ and bear a \_\_\_\_\_, and shall call his name Immanuel.”

Mary wasn’t overcome with disbelief or doubt or denying what the angel said. Mary believed the angel and the scriptures. Her cousin Elizabeth says in Luke 1:45 “And blessed is she that \_\_\_\_\_:...” Mary believed because she knew the word of God.

The scripture goes on to reveal just how much Mary knew!

Read Luke 1:46-56.

- Vs. 46 “And Mary said, My \_\_\_\_\_ doth \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.”

This opening statement of Mary reveals her praise and glorifying of the Lord from her innermost being, her soul. Mary’s heart was full of adoration for the Lord.

The Lord alone was the center of Mary’s praise, joy and adoration. All that was within her praised the Lord! I Sam. 2:1 “...my \_\_\_\_\_ in the LORD...”

- Vs. 47 reveals that Mary knew that God was her \_\_\_\_\_. In Luke 2:11 the angel announced to the shepherds “For unto you is born this day in the city of David a \_\_\_\_\_, which is Christ the Lord.” Mary knew that God was the Saviour she was looking and waiting for. Read Is. 12:1-6 and Is. 9:6 & 7. Mary knew all about the promised Deliverer, Saviour and King! Others also were waiting for God’s salvation, the Saviour. Luke 2:30, after having seen the child Jesus, Simeon says, “For mine \_\_\_\_\_ have seen thy \_\_\_\_\_,” and Anna says in 38 “And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of \_\_\_\_\_ to all them that looked for the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.”

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Yes, there were believers in Israel, waiting, looking for God's promised Salvation!

- Vs. 48 Mary knew it was just like God to respect the lowly – Ps. 136:23 “Who remembered us in our \_\_\_\_\_ estate...” Ps. 138:6 “Though the Lord be high, yet hath he \_\_\_\_\_ unto the \_\_\_\_\_...”

Mary knew something about women who said they would be called blessed.

Gen. 30:13 “And Leah said, Happy am I, for the daughters will call me \_\_\_\_\_...” And Israel being called blessed, Mal. 3:12 “And all nations shall call you \_\_\_\_\_...” Mary knew the lasting honor that had been given to her.

- Vs. 49 Mary had indeed great things done to her. She, a virgin, had conceived, she would give birth to Messiah, Israel's Salvation. Almighty God had done these things! Was seeing God do mighty things something new? Ps. 24:8 “Who is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_? The LORD \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_...” Mary well knew the might and power of her God. Is. 1:24 “Therefore saith the LORD, the LORD of hosts, the \_\_\_\_\_ One of Israel...”

Jer. 10:6 “Forasmuch as there is none like unto thee, O LORD; thou art \_\_\_\_\_, and thy name is \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.” Mary could easily say that with God nothing was impossible! She knew He was the mighty God. And she adds “...holy is his name.” She repeats a similar saying by Hannah in I Sam. 2:2 “There is none \_\_\_\_\_ as the LORD...”

Ps. 99:3 “Let them praise thy great and terrible name: for it is \_\_\_\_\_.”

Mary knew that the Lord's name was holy!

Is. 6:3 “And one cried unto another, and said, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, is the LORD of hosts...”

- Vs. 50 Mary knew about the mercy of the Lord.

Ex. 20:6 “And shewing \_\_\_\_\_ unto \_\_\_\_\_ of them that \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_.”

Ex. 34:7 “Keeping \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_...”

Ps. 103:11, “For as the heaven is high above the earth, so \_\_\_\_\_ is his \_\_\_\_\_ toward them that \_\_\_\_\_.”

- Vs. 51 Mary knew about the strength of the Lord's arm. Ex. 15:6 speaking of the Red sea deliverance “Thy \_\_\_\_\_, O LORD, is become glorious in \_\_\_\_\_; thy right hand, O LORD, hath \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ the enemy.”

Is. 40:10 “Behold, the LORD GOD will come with \_\_\_\_\_, and his \_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_ for him...”

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She knew about the scattering of the proud.

I Sam. 2:10 “The \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD shall be \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.”

Jer. 50:31 “Behold, I am \_\_\_\_\_ thee, O thou \_\_\_\_\_.”

Jer. 50:32 “And the most \_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.”

- Vs. 52 Mary knew that the Lord was just. I Sam. 2:4 “The bows of the \_\_\_\_\_ men are \_\_\_\_\_ and they that \_\_\_\_\_ are girded with \_\_\_\_\_.”

Ps. 113:6-8 vs. 7 “He \_\_\_\_\_ up the \_\_\_\_\_ out of the dust, and \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ out of the dung hill.”

- Vs. 53 Mary knew the promises of God to the hungry and the rich.

I Sam. 2:5 “They that were \_\_\_\_\_ have hired out themselves for \_\_\_\_\_, and they that were \_\_\_\_\_.”

Ps. 107:9, “For he \_\_\_\_\_ the longing soul, and \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ soul with goodness.”

Eze. 34:29 “...and they shall be no more consumed with \_\_\_\_\_ in the land...”

Mary knew that God had always wanted to be everything to His people. He would supply those who looked to him, but to the rich the independent ones, the ones who didn't need Him, He sent away.

- Vs. 54 Mary knew that God was the help of Israel. Ps. 98:3 “He hath remembered his \_\_\_\_\_ and his \_\_\_\_\_ toward the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_:...”

Is. 44:21-23 “Remember these, O Jacob and \_\_\_\_\_; for thou art my \_\_\_\_\_: I have formed thee; thou art my servant O Israel, thou shalt not be \_\_\_\_\_ of me.” Vs. 23 “...for the LORD hath \_\_\_\_\_ Jacob, and \_\_\_\_\_ himself in \_\_\_\_\_.”

Jer. 31:3 “...Yea, I have \_\_\_\_\_ thee with an \_\_\_\_\_ love; therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.”

Zech. 12:8, 9 “In that day shall the LORD \_\_\_\_\_ the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is \_\_\_\_\_ among them at that day shall be as \_\_\_\_\_... vs. 9 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the \_\_\_\_\_ that come \_\_\_\_\_.”

The scriptures must have flooded Mary's mind as she just pours out her praise and worship to the Lord!

- Vs. 55 here Mary recalls the promises made by God to Abraham.

Gen. 12:3 “And I will \_\_\_\_\_ them that \_\_\_\_\_ thee, and \_\_\_\_\_ them that \_\_\_\_\_ thee, and in \_\_\_\_\_ shall all \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth be \_\_\_\_\_.”

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Gen. 17:19 "...and I will establish my covenant with him for an \_\_\_\_\_ covenant, and with his \_\_\_\_\_ after him."

Gen. 22:18 "And in thy \_\_\_\_\_ shall all the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth be \_\_\_\_\_..."

Ps. 105:1-11, Ps. 132:11-17 are just a few more passages that must have been in Mary's mind.

Mary did not just utter some idle words and thoughts. She had the scriptures in her mind as she contemplated just what great things the Lord had done and would do now through the Saviour that she would soon give birth to.

Mary was a young woman but rich in God's word. She was lowly but highly esteemed with God. Mary knew and believed the word of God. As Mary contemplated the words of Gabriel she knew that Israel's Messiah, Deliverer, Redeemer and Salvation was about to enter the world. Yes, Mary knew!

From the scriptures we looked at, whose prayer do you think Mary had in mind as she praised the Lord in Luke 1:46-56? \_\_\_\_\_ (answer I Sam. 2:1)