

Wesley United Methodist Church – Weekly Bible Study

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Sermon: Our Secret Weapon

Luke 1:26-38

1. What is it about Mary that makes her a great choice for the work of God?
2. God chose Mary as God's vessel for the birth of Jesus. Many would not understand the ways that God was working in Mary's life. She would be accused of having marital relations before marriage. How does what others say about you, influence your actions?
3. Do you believe that the Holy Spirit still comes upon us and overpowers us in the way that it did in Mary's case? If so, how?
4. What was one important thing that you think Mary did in her encounter with Gabriel that we often are afraid to do?

5. How has this text encouraged you in your spiritual journey?

PRAYER:

Father, I pray that I might be open to hear Your voice. May I be eager to hear what You have to say to me through Your written Word, and by the Word as it is preached and sung at church. Lord, there are some things in Your Word that are difficult to hear—warnings about the need for purity and the need for deep repentance from sin. Let me be willing to hear those words and obey them. More urgently, give me the courage to step up to those endeavors for which you have chosen me as your vessel. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

~adapted from the Moody Church