

Dec 10 – Small Group Questions

Luke 1:26-38 - “Infinitely More Than We Can Ask Or Imagine”

Reading: Luke 1:26-38

1. Read the passage, and contrast it with the parallel passage in Matthew 1:18-25. Why do you think Luke chose to make Mary the focus? What impact does that have on his story?
2. What are some of the ways that Mary would have been one of the powerless people in her society?
3. The three people Karen mentioned in her sermon who were commissioned the same way as Mary were Moses (Ex 3), Gideon (Judges 6), and Jeremiah (Jer 1). What was the pattern of the commission?
4. Luke has multiple subtle references to the Old Testament, including this pattern of commissioning, as well as the birth announcement echoing others in the Old Testament, and even Sarah’s story. Why do you think he did this?
5. How is our calling as disciples to offer up our lives to God similar to Mary’s?
6. What do you like about this idea? What are some objections that might rise for you?