

Family Worship
Week of December 3, 2023

Instruction: Whatever time of day works best each day for you or your family, use the prompts below to spend a few minutes together in prayer and the Word. Open and close each session with a simple prayer. Use the questions for meditation or discussion.

Sermon Meditations: The Song of Mary

Monday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Luke 1:46-55
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's first point was "God's mercy in salvation is for each of us!" Notice that Mary's prayer moves from praise to God, to recognition of her personal blessings, to recognition of God's blessings on all who fear him. God's salvation unfolds on a cosmic scale but is still deeply personal for each one of his sheep. How have you been blessed by God in Christ?
- Close in prayer

Tuesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Luke 1:46-55
- Meditation: Pastor Matt's second point was "God's mercy in salvation is for all of us!" Only God could accomplish something so deeply personal and still be about making a whole people for himself? His salvation is not confined to one ethnicity or period in history. The Israel of God on the last day will be all those who fear him. Do you believe God's promises? Do you know God is sovereign? Do you yearn to obey him, pursuing holiness according to his word?
- Close in prayer

Wednesday

- Open in prayer
- Read: Luke 1:46-55
- Meditation: Pastor Nathan's third point was "God's mercy in salvation turns the world upside down!" Christ was not the military champion Israel expected. Nor is his salvation for those the worlds thinks deserve it. What are some ways we try to make Christ into the savior we think we need instead of the savior God has given?
- Close in prayer

Preparing Our Hearts to Receive the Word

Thursday

- Open in Prayer
- Read:
- Meditation: What questions do you have about this text? Is there anything confusing or curious? Does anything stand out as important?
- Close in Prayer

Friday

- Open in Prayer
- Read:
- Meditation: Westminster Shorter Catechism Question 4 asks, "What do the Scriptures principally teach?" Answer: "The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God and what duty God requires of man." What does this passage teach us about God's character and work? What does it teach us about our own hearts and need for a Savior and how we ought to live in the world as followers of Christ?
- Close in Prayer