

Text: Luke 1:39-45
Topics: Birth of Christ, Celebration, Faith
Series: The Original Christmas Carols

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The Announcement!

I. The Announcement (39-40)

The announcement of Christ's coming birth was exciting!

II. The Eruption (41-43)

The Holy Spirit's confirmation of Christ's coming birth resulted in humble rejoicing.

III. The Explanation (45)

The announcement of Christ's coming birth was worthy of joy and faith!

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read Luke 1:39-40. Why might Mary have hurried to the house of Zacharias and Elizabeth? (See Luke 1:26-38)

Think of an example of something you celebrated both before and after it happened? How did you celebrate, and why?

2. Read Luke 1:41-43. How did Elizabeth know what had happened to Mary? How did she react?

Ponder your salvation and the significance of Christ's coming in relation to it. What thoughts arise? Any emotion too?

3. In Luke 1:44-45 Elizabeth tells Mary what the Holy Spirit revealed to her. What does she tell Mary she should be happy about? What does she commend Mary for?

Are you happy about the same thing Mary was to be happy about? Do you show it, and if so, how?

Would you be commended for the same thing Mary was commended for? Explain.

4. How well do you celebrate Christmas? Is there anything you learned from the example of Elizabeth that can help you celebrate Christmas better?