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A Christmas Confrontation

(Luke 1: 26-37)

God confronted Mary with His Will for her life. She could have reacted in several of several ways when the angel said she was going to have a baby out of wedlock - a supernaturally conceived baby.

② ① What will my friends say? And my family

② ② And what about Joseph, my betrothed I can just hear me saying to him "Joseph I'm going to have a Supernatural baby"

③ ③ I'll tell you what I think Gabriel, I'm really not cut out for this great role. I don't feel worthy of being the mother of the "Son of the Most High" as you call him. What about my friend Sara? - she's your woman - a really dedicated & gifted woman, why don't you ask her?

Notice that God was asking Mary to be different - different from her friends and to take part in a very difficult position.

What did Jonah do? He ran from his task.

What did Peter do about the Gentiles? He resisted God's call.

Paul's evaluation of Demas "having loved this world Demas has deserted me" II Tim. 4: 10

Saulin
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① ways to have a healthy diet
② ways to have a healthy diet

Cholesterol

(1995-1997)

High cholesterol is a condition in which the level of cholesterol in the blood is too high. This can lead to heart disease and stroke. There are two types of cholesterol: LDL (low-density lipoprotein) and HDL (high-density lipoprotein). LDL is often called "bad" cholesterol because it can build up in the arteries, while HDL is called "good" cholesterol because it helps remove LDL from the bloodstream.

There are several ways to lower cholesterol levels. First, you should eat a diet that is low in saturated fats and trans fats. Second, you should exercise regularly. Third, you should quit smoking if you are a smoker. Finally, you may need to take medication if your cholesterol levels are still high after making these lifestyle changes.

It is important to know your cholesterol levels. Your doctor can do a blood test to measure your cholesterol. If you have high cholesterol, you should work with your doctor to develop a plan to lower it. This may include changes in your diet, exercise, and medication.

There are also some natural remedies that may help lower cholesterol. These include garlic, fish oil, and plant sterols. However, it is important to talk to your doctor before taking any supplements, as they can interact with other medications.

Overall, maintaining a healthy diet and lifestyle is the best way to keep your cholesterol levels in check. If you have any questions about cholesterol, talk to your doctor.

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1st reaction

So
II Mary could have resisted and run from God's will for her life

Being in God's Will often means going against the crowd, being different, and very often you have to face very difficult situations - Mary certainly did.

A disciple Jesus said cannot look back after putting your "hand to the plow" - you go right on following Jesus.

Mary said "yes" and her life did become much more difficult - Joseph rejected her, her Son was a source embarrassment to the family in his ministry. When he came home to Nazareth for Thanksgiving he went to the synagogue & before he was through "all in the synagogue were filled with rage" & tried to throw him off a cliff (Lu. 4: 28-29). In Jo. we find that his brothers did not believe in him (Jo. 7: 5).

And finally she watched her Son, this Son of miraculous conception & Great Promise get crucified - it was a horrible death to watch & we know she watched him die.

But if you were to ask her after it was all over - Christ having risen from the dead - conquering death & paying for our sins, Mary, are you sorry you said "yes" to God years ago. When he sent the angel Gabriel to you? She would say No! Absolutely not - I'm so thankful for the privilege God gave me!"

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③ 2nd reaction

II Mary could have arranged to make God's will happen. Having been chosen she could have brought it about in the flesh.

Sarah did this for Abraham when she decided to 'help God along' with His plan & brought disruption & trouble into her home. If Mary had stepped ahead of God - & with Joseph tried to have this miracle child she would have spoiled her position of privilege as the Virgin who would conceive.

(Gal. 5:17) speaks of us being freed from the bondage & slavery of trying hard to please God & Paul asks us to stand firm in God's freedom - don't try to perform God's will for your life LET HIM

3rd reaction

III Mary's reaction was beautiful "Behold, the bond-slave of the Lord, he it done to me according to your word" (Lu. 1:38)

1. She made herself available
2. Trusting God to perform His WILL in her life.

"Here I am - & I am going to trust you God." I hear some one asking Why does God bother to ask us? If He's going to do it & we are going to trust isn't it academic for God to ask us?

No! We are not robots! We have free will -> "Present yourselves" (Rom. 12:1-2)
The effortless life is not the will-less life

1. The first step in the process of writing is to choose a topic.
2. The next step is to gather information about the topic.
3. After gathering information, the writer should choose a thesis statement.
4. The next step is to develop an outline of the paper.
5. After developing an outline, the writer should write the first draft.
6. The next step is to revise the first draft.
7. After revising the first draft, the writer should write the final draft.
8. The final step is to proofread the final draft.