



Come and See

Life Groups Discussion Guide

THE COMING KINGDOM, Luke 1:45–55 December 23, 2018

Mary's prophetic praise overflows in the Magnificat, painting a picture of the kingdom Jesus would bring— fulfilling God's promises and offering mercy and provision to all generations.

CONNECT

1. What's one of your favorite Christmas traditions? What makes it special?

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2. The church's perspective on Mary the mother of Jesus varies greatly from person to person and denomination to denomination. Some overemphasize (or worship) her while others overlook (or ignore) her. Where do you fall on that spectrum?
3. Luke 1 gives us a compelling picture of Mary as a godly young woman who boldly declared God's promises and surrendered wholeheartedly to magnifying Him. What things stand out to you from the first part of the Magnificat in Luke 1:46–50?
4. Read the two prophetic declarations of Jesus in Luke 1:31–33, 51–55. What key things were prophesied about Jesus? Where else in Scripture do we see those things echoed or fulfilled? (Read the cross references from your Bible.)
5. In what ways would Jesus' kingdom differ from the kingdoms of the world or the kingdom people expected Him to establish?

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6. In verses 38 & 48, Mary calls herself a "servant" of the Lord. For you personally, what things get in the way of serving the Lord?
7. What or who do you magnify? What or who do you rejoice in? What are some ways your life can magnify the Lord in the next few weeks?