## **GROUP DISCUSSION**

Questions for facilitating dynamic discussion

Through Angels' Eyes
Week 2: Our Value is Massive

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Luke 1:26-38

The Angel Gabriel greeted Mary with words that would change her life forever. It's this greeting that we studied for this week's sermon. In what Gabriel said, Mary discovered her true identity, and we too can see how God views all believers.

## Kicking it off:

In his sermon, Jeff shared how his first experience with Facebook was a humiliating disaster. Are you active on social media? Which do you use and why?

## Discussion:

1. Reread what Gabriel said to Mary in Luke 1:28 (MEV): "Greetings, you who are highly favored. The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women."

Do you see yourself as "highly favored" by the Lord? Why or why not?

2. Gabriel reminded Mary that "The Lord is with you." It is hard to remember that God is with us. Reread what Jacob said in Genesis 28:16 (NLT): "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I wasn't even aware of it!"

How can we grow in our awareness of the Lord's presence?

3. Gabriel told Mary that she is "blessed among women." We too are blessed greatly. Reread John 1:16 (TLB): "God has heaped blessing after blessing upon us!"

Brainstorm ways that we are blessed in Christ.

- 4. Why would it be hard for Mary to believe the truth found in Gabriel's greeting?
- 5. Why do we struggle to believe what Scripture says about our identity in Christ?
- 6. Reread 1 John 4:9 (NLT): "God showed how much he loved us by sending his Son into the world!"

How does Christmas reveal the love of God?

7. Why is it important for us to accurately understand our identity in Christ?

## Wrapping It Up:

Ask the Lord to chase away the lies from Satan regarding our identity. Ask the Lord to help us enjoy the privileged status that is ours in Christ.