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Luke 1:26-38

- I. Luke uses this passage to introduce some important theological themes:
 - A. We see the doctrine of the Trinity:
 1. **God the Father:** Described as the “Most High (32, 35)
 2. **God the Son:** Jesus
“Son of the Most High” (32)
“Son of God” (35)
His eternal rule as King (32-33)
 3. **God the Holy Spirit** - *Significant role in the birth of Christ.* (35)
 - B. Luke develops in greater detail the character of God the Father:
 1. God is sovereign and omnipotent (all powerful)
– “Nothing is impossible with God” (37)
 2. God’s omnipresence and omniscience (28)
 3. God is love, grace, personal (*involved with His creation*), communicates with His creation, and keeps His covenants with His creation.
- II. What relational skills can we learn from Mary in this passage?
 - A. It is easy to misunderstand the ‘big picture’ or ‘grand scheme’ of God. (26-34)
 - B. However, when we take the time to honestly seek understanding, listen to God, and learn from His Word, we find that it is easy to submit to God. (35-38)
- III. Application:
 - A. We always read the Bible from our own personal perspective – *limited by our own understanding.*
 - B. God will help us understand His grand scheme for our life.
 - C. Our response to the revelation of God’s Word should always be submission.

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*Hymn No. 87 *May Jesus Christ Be Praised* (1, 2, 4, 6)

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

 Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair:

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this:

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

Ye nations of mankind, In this your concord find,

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let all the earth around Ring joyous with the sound:

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this th' eternal song thru all the ages long:

 May Jesus Christ be praised!

*Invocation
Responsive Reading

L: O Lord, the trials of life can so easily become discouraging.
Where can we find encouragement when feelings of dismay
overshadow our thoughts?

C: ¹¹ **For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD,
“plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give**

you hope and a future. (Jeremiah 29:11)

L: Forgive us Lord when we place our trust in the strength of
men and nations along with the securities and powers offered
to us in this world.

C: ⁷ **Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in
the name of the LORD our God. (Psalm 20:7)**

L: Lord we have come together this morning to give you our
praise and worship. Today we place our hope in you.

C: ¹⁸ **...the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him, on
those whose hope is in his unfailing love, (Psalm 33:18)**

(Silent Prayer)

L: ²³ This is what the LORD says:
“Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man
boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, ²⁴but
let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and
knows me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness,
justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,”
declares the LORD. (JEREMIAH 9:23-24)

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I know not why God's wondrous grace, To me He hath made known,
Nor why, unworthy, Christ in love, Redeemed me for His own.

Refrain:
But "I know Whom I have believed,
And am persuaded that He is able
To keep that which I've committed
Unto Him against that day."

I know not how this saving faith, To me He did impart,
Nor how believing in His Word, Wrought peace within my heart.

Refrain

I know not how the Spirit moves, Convincing men of sin,
Revealing Jesus through the Word, Creating faith in Him.

Refrain:
But "I know Whom I have believed,
And am persuaded that He is able
To keep that which I've committed
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Hymn No. 178

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

O sacred Head, now wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown;
How pale Thou art with anguish, With sore abuse and scorn,
How does that visage languish, Which once was bright as morn!

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered, was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place;
Look on me with Thy favor, assist me with Thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest friend,
For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?
O make me Thine forever, and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

Sermon Applied
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*Benediction

*Choral Benediction No. 42 *Seek Ye First* (verse 1)

Seek Ye first the Kingdom of God, And His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you, Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!

*Postlude