### Luke 1:45-NKJV

"Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord."

### Luke 1: 26–45-Passion Bible

- 26 During the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, the angel Gabriel was sent from God's presence to an unmarried girl named Mary, living in Nazareth, a village in Galilee.
- 27 She was engaged to a man named Joseph, a true descendant of King David.
- 28 Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Grace to you, young woman, for our master is with you and so you are anointed with great favor."
- 29 Mary was shocked over the words of the angel and bewildered over what this may mean for her.
- 30 But the angel reassured her, saying, "<u>Do not yield to your</u> <u>fear</u>, Mary, for the Lord has found delight in you and has chosen to surprise you with a wonderful gift.
- 31 You will become pregnant with a baby boy, and you are to name him Jesus.
- 32 He will be supreme and will be known as the Son of the Highest. And the Lord God will enthrone him as King on his ancestor David's throne.
- 33 He will reign as King of Israel forever, and his reign will have no limit."
- 34 Mary said, "But how could this happen? I am still a virgin!"
- 35 Gabriel answered, "The Spirit of Holiness will fall upon you and the almighty God will spread his shadow of power over you in a cloud of glory! This is why the child born to you will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God.
- 36 What's more, your aged aunt, Elizabeth, has also became pregnant with a son. The 'barren one' is now in her sixth month.

- 37 Not one promise from God is empty of power, for with God there is no such thing as impossibility!"
- 38 Then Mary responded, saying, "This is amazing! I will be a mother for the Lord! As his servant, I accept whatever he has for me. May everything you have told me come to pass." And the angel left her.
- 39 Afterward, Mary arose and hurried off to the hill country of Judea, to the village where Zechariah and Elizabeth lived.
- 40 Arriving at their home, Mary entered the house and greeted Elizabeth.
- 41 At the moment she heard Mary's voice, the baby within Elizabeth's womb jumped and kicked. And suddenly, Elizabeth was filled to overflowing with the Holy Spirit!
- 42 With a loud voice she prophesied with power: Mary! You are a woman given the highest favor And privilege above all others. For your child is destined to bring God great delight.
- 43 How did I deserve such a remarkable honor To have the mother of my Lord come and visit me?
- 44 The moment you came in the door and greeted me, My baby danced inside me with ecstatic joy!
- 45 <u>Great favor is upon you, for you have believed Every word spoken to you from the Lord.</u>
- A. In the kingdom of God, <u>believing</u> is a requirement <u>to</u> <u>receiving</u>.

# Mark 11:24-Passion

24 This is the reason I urge you to <u>boldly believe for whatever</u> <u>you ask for in prayer</u>— <u>believe that you have received it</u> and it will be yours.

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38 As his servant, I accept whatever he has for me. May everything you have told me come to pass." And the angel left her.

**B.** It takes an <u>undivided heart</u> to believe under such circumstances and a <u>pure heart</u> to see God.

### Matthew 5:8-NLT

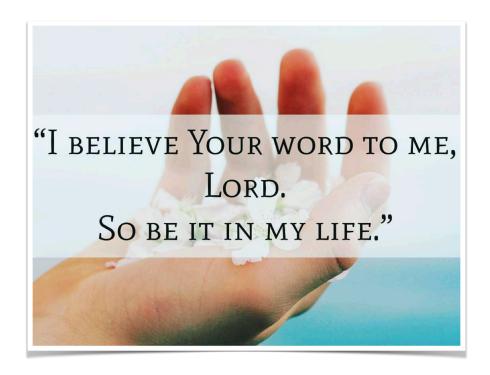
**8** God blesses those whose hearts are pure, for they will see God.

## Hebrews 12:14-NLT

Work at living in peace with everyone, and work at living a holy life, for those who are not holy will not see the Lord.

# So, she responded:

**NKJV -** "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word"



# BELIEVING WE ARE RECEIVING

Sunday, December 22nd, 2024
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