

Reflection Questions: How do I magnify the Lord in my life? How does it surprise me that God is mindful of me? Have I told Him, as Mary did, "I am your humble servant; be it done to me according to Your Word" (Luke 1:38)? How do I express praise and thanksgiving consistently to God?

How can we pray for one another this week?



Luke 1:46-55

Sermon
Words

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1. God is Mindful

Quotes to Ponder

The infinite became the finite, the eternal entered time and became subject to its conditions, the immutable became mutable, the invisible became visible, the Creator became created, the sustainer of all became dependent, the Almighty became infirm. God became man that He may die, and by His death destroy the works of the devil and take away our sin.

John Murray

A man has just as much Christianity as he has humility. Humility is the highest grace that can adorn the Christian character.

Ligon Duncan

Proud people find it difficult to be thankful because they always think they deserved better.

John MacArthur

Once we experience thanksgiving as our default condition, we'll find it's inseparable from our happiness, and we'll never want to go back to the barren wasteland of ingratitude.

Randy Alcorn

Praise pushes us out of our discontentment or worry or loneliness or troubles or enemies and renews us with hope in our God.

Mark Vaughan

Let us rise from our beds every morning with a deep conviction that we are debtors and that every day we have more mercies than we deserve.

J.C. Ryle

Humility and lowliness are the abiding marks of someone who has stood in the presence of God long enough to realize that they deserve hell for their sins, but instead receive mercy.

Lloyd Stille

2. God is Mighty

3. God is Merciful

1. What in the text/sermon impacted you most? Encouraged you? Con-
victed you? Challenged you? Confused you? Comforted you?

Sent away the rich empty-handed (Luke 1:53)?

2. How can Mary, or anyone, *magnify, exalt, or enlarge the Lord (Luke
1:46)*?

Given help to Israel His servant (Luke 1:54)?

3. Compare Hannah's and Mary's songs noting differences / similarities.
Hannah, 1 Samuel 2:1-10 Mary, Luke 1:46-55

6. Why will *all generations count Mary blessed (Luke 1:48)*?

According to *Luke 11:27-28*, how can we be more blessed than Mary?

4. What other allusions to Scripture do you find in Mary's song?

7. Read *Luke 1:53*. What *good things* has God filled you with?

Psalm 34:10 —

Psalm 107:8-9 —

Psalm 42:1-2 —

Psalm 119:2 —

Psalm 63:1 —

Psalm 119:81 —

Psalm 81:10 —

Psalm 146:7 —

5. Mary was well-versed in the history of Israel and with Scripture. What
are some possibilities she was thinking of when she said God has:
Done mighty deeds with His arm (Luke 1:51)?

8. What does Mary refer to in *Luke 1:55*?

Scattered those who were proud (Luke 1:51)?

What had God promised *Abraham and his descendants forever?*

Genesis 12:2-3 —

Genesis 26:3-4 —

Brought down rulers from their thrones (Luke 1:52)?

Genesis 17:19 —

Genesis 28:13-14 —

Exalted those who were humble (Luke 1:52)?

Filled the hungry with good things (Luke 1:53)?

Genesis 22:18 —