

Chapter 1 (26 - 38)

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to the town of Nazareth in Galilee, to a virgin named Mary who was betrothed to man named Joseph

The angel said to her "Rejoice! You have been greatly blessed by God. You are to conceive and have a son whom you must name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of God"

Mary said to the angel

"How can this happen, since I am a virgin?"

The angel replied "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will specially bless you. Know this too: your cousin Elizabeth has, in her old age, conceived a son, and is now in her sixth month"

"I am the handmaid of the Lord", said Mary, "let what you have said, be done for me"

And the angel left her

God the Son, thank you for becoming a baby in Mary's womb