



The Magnificat

December 19

Luke 1:39-56

Object Lessons and Storytelling Ideas

- Tell the story (as narrative or reflection) from Mary's point of view
- Talk about the best thing ever that just happened (with great excitement!)
- Sing a song of thankfulness
- Connect to opposite or backwards day: the things that the world thinks are important are not what God wants, and the things that God says are important are the opposite of what the world wants. Who or what is important in our world? Who or what is important to God?
- Tell or recap a fairy tale that illustrates a flipping of importance, such as Cinderella. God is constantly flipping the world on its head - raising the humble, and bringing down the proud.
- Mary is saying "Come and See" what God is going to do in Jesus

Discussion Ideas and Questions

- What does it mean to praise God? When and how can we praise God?
- Remembering God's works is one way to praise Him
- Talk about the descriptors of God: the Lord, God my Saviour, the Mighty One, holy, merciful, God of covenant
- God is looking for those who are humble, who fear him, who are hungry. What does it mean to be humble?
- Mary sings a song of praise to God over the coming of Jesus

At Home Connections

- How did Mary respond to the angel's message? How do we respond when God asks us to do something hard?
- Create a family Magnificat thanking God for helping you, and sing to a simple tune your kids know well