

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1261: Am I Listening to the Angel?

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See:  **CQ Rewind**
SHOW NOTES

1. Who is mentioned in the prophecy of Malachi 4:5-6? Who does he represent? What was his role in Jesus' life? How long did it take before this prophecy was fulfilled?
2. What was Zacharias doing when the angel came to him in the Temple? Describe some of his duties. Why was Zacharias surprised at what the angel told him? What was the result of Zacharias' doubt? Of what would this disability have reminded Zacharias? How did Elizabeth react to the news? (See Luke 1:8-25)
3. Are you "listening" to what the angel said? How are you willing to act in accordance with the call to walk with a higher level of loyalty to our Lord?
4. What was the angel Gabriel's next message? In what way will finding favor with God make demands on Mary? What were the four things predicted of Jesus in the angel's message? How did Mary react to this message? How would you have reacted if you were in Mary's shoes? (See Luke 1:26-42)
5. Mary listened to the angel, but did she believe? Did Elizabeth believe? Did the baby in Elizabeth's womb believe? How do we know? How did Elizabeth mentor Mary? How did Mary respond? (See Luke 1:43-56)
6. Do you listen to what the angel says with your heart, mind and actions? How have you accepted and responded to the challenges and blessings in your life based on your faith in that message?
7. When did Joseph find out that Mary was pregnant? What was his reaction? What does this tell us about Joseph? On what Old Testament prophecy was the angel's message based? What did Joseph face in accepting Mary's condition? (See Matthew 1:18-25, Isaiah 7:13-14)
8. What did the visit of the Magi trigger? What was the angel's second dream message to Joseph? How did Joseph respond? What sustained Jesus' family while they lived in Egypt? What were the third and fourth dream messages given to Joseph by the angel? How did Joseph respond to these? (See Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23)
9. What part in Jesus' life did Joseph play? How was he a strong example for the young Jesus? In what way did Joseph's experiences with the angel differ from Mary's and Zacharias's experiences? Do we have either of these kinds of experiences in this day and age?
10. How did God design spreading the knowledge of Jesus' birth? How would the angels have felt about Jesus' birth? Why? Summarize the seven points the angel declared to the shepherds. Why was this privilege given to lowly shepherds? How did Mary feel about all the events surrounding Jesus' birth? (See Luke 2:1-20)
11. Explain four things we should be listening to from the angels based on the summary in the CQ Rewind Show Notes. What did the angelic messages surrounding the birth of Jesus provide to those that received them? How do these messages resonate in your life? How are you listening to the angels to realize the magnitude of God's plan?