

# advent

What Jesus aims to deliver



## “Leadership to the Lost”

Week 2 | December 9, 2018 | Luke 1:26-38

### Sermon Summary

As we continue to dive into the things that Jesus aims to deliver to us during this advent season, we remember that Jesus comes to bring Leadership to the Lost. An important fact to remember when it comes to leadership is that we all need to be led because we’re all fallen and broken humans. If we’re all fallen and broken, who is even fit to lead anyone?

In Luke 1:26-38, the Angel Gabriel appears to Mary to give her the news that she was going that she was going to be having a baby. This wouldn’t just be any baby. This baby was going to be holy, the Son of God, His name was to be Jesus which means “savior”, and His kingdom would go on forever. As you can tell, this wasn’t just an ordinary baby. The baby that was going to be born was *the* King. He was, and still is, the only perfect being that offers perfect wisdom, love, and care for His subjects. This king isn’t fallen and broken. This king is the holy and divine savior that goes on forever. If we let him be our king, then that means we go on forever as well.

### Discussion Guide

1. Gabriel tells Mary that she is highly favored and that the Lord is with her. Why do you think this would have been both confusing and significant to Mary? Have you ever considered yourself highly favored from God? Why or why not?
2. While Mary and Gabriel are talking, Mary asks him how all of this would actually be possible (Luke 1:34)? What place do you think questions and doubts have in Christianity? As you discuss, consider this: There are doubts that come from a closed mind but there are also doubts that come from an open mind to seek answers. Have you ever had doubts or questions in either of those categories? What happens when we express our doubts to God?
3. Even though Jesus wasn’t born yet, He was going to be King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Why is it important for Christians to acknowledge Jesus as King of their very own lives? What are some roadblocks that we can run into when it comes to having Jesus rule our lives as King?
4. Take some time and name some of the attributes of Jesus that make him the perfect King.
5. Have you acknowledged Jesus of King over your life? If not, can you help us understand what’s stopping you? If you have, why did you make the decision? Have you been baptized yet to publicly acknowledge your decision? If you haven’t, why haven’t you? We can help take care of that when you’re ready!