

THE Story

Lesson 2 Chapter 22 The Birth of the King (Pt 2) p.310-312

1. In the second paragraph on page 310 we are told that "God sent the angel Gabriel ("man of God") to Nazareth. Locate Nazareth on the map on page 306.

According to Hebrews 1:14, what is the ultimate mission of angels?

This passage is an example of angels serving as messengers. Can you think of other times that angels delivered a message from God?

Can you think of other times that angels served in a role as
care-givers?

worshippers?

warriors?

2. What does the statement that Mary ("rebellion"...Greek form of the name Miriam) was a "virgin" suggest to you about Mary's character and her commitment to God?

3. Why do you think God chose a virgin birth to fulfill His plan to get us back?

4. At the beginning of the third paragraph on page 310 Luke tells us that Mary was greatly troubled not by the angel but by his words. What does this reveal to us about Mary's character and her commitment to God?

5. How many different aspects of the person and mission of the promised Child can be discerned in the words of Gabriel to Mary?

Which one means the most to you and why?

6. What impresses you about Mary's immediate submission to the will and plan of God?

7. Mary's song of response ("The Magnificat") is recorded for us from the bottom of page 310 to the middle of page 311. What do you learn from this song about Mary?

about God?

8. Examine the character of Joseph as presented in Matthew's account of the angel's appearance to him. (from the bottom of page 311 to the middle of page 312) What may we learn from his character and his courageous obedience?

9. Two names for the child are provided for us...Jesus (Greek form of the Hebrew name Joshua ..."Jehovah is salvation") and Immanuel ("God with us"). Why should the meaning of his two names provide for us a daily dose of encouragement?

10. As you review this portion of God's inspired Word, what truths do you learn about our humanity....sins to avoid & examples to follow

about our God... His promises to claim & His character to embrace