# Expecting Part 3 – "Flipped Script" December 4, 2022

# Genesis 3:15

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

## Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

## Luke 1:26-27

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

#### Luke 1:28-30

The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God.

# Luke 1:31-33

You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

#### Luke 1:34

"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"

Sinful doubt refuses to think or trust God. Godly doubt seeks understanding.

#### Luke 1:35-37

The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. For no word from God will ever fail."

## **Luke 1:38**

"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

Become a servant of God, because God became a servant to you.

# **Group Questions**

- 1. Tell about a time when you had a great script written for your life that was flipped by no fault of your own. What emotions did you feel at the time? What emotions do you still feel?
- 2. If Mary lived in the United States today, where might she be from? What would she be like?
- 3. What is the difference between sinful doubt and Godly doubt? What are the qualities that make doubt either sinful or Godly? Can you give examples of each? Which one do you default to?
- 4. What's the hardest part about accepting a new script?
- 5. Is God currently doing a rewrite on your life script? How are you reacting to that?
- 6. Who is someone you can invite to Christmas in Lake Country?