

## THE MAGNIFICAT

Luke 1:46-56

### MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

1. REJOICE IN THE PERSONAL AND SPIRITUAL REVOLUTION
2. REJOICE IN THE GLOBAL AND MATERIAL REVOLUTION

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick two or three of these to talk about as a group

1. What was most helpful for you from this week's message? Why?
2. What steps are you taking this Advent season to turn your attention and affection toward Jesus?
3. The first part of Mary's song is focused on what God has done for her personally and the second part focuses on what He is doing for the world. Which do you tend to focus on more when you reflect on the work of God? What are some of the works of God that you find your mind continually being drawn to?
4. The first thing we learn from the Magnificat is that we need to rejoice in the personal and spiritual revolution of Christmas. It is hard to care about what God has done in the world if you don't understand what He has done for you. What has God done for you?
5. The second thing we learn from the Magnificat is that we need to rejoice in the global and material revolution of Christmas. Pastor Anthony pointed out that the three categories of this global/ material revolution are political, economic and social. Why is it important to recognize this aspect of God's kingdom and not only focus on the personal/ spiritual revolution of Christmas?
6. In Luke 1:46-56, Mary describes future events in past-tense verbs. She was able to have certainty in a seemingly impossible future because she had already had a seemingly impossible experience with Jesus in the present. On a scale of 1-10, how certain do you feel that God keeps His promises? What leads to your confidence? What leads to your doubts? What impact does this belief or unbelief have on your daily life, worries, decision, etc.?
7. Mary's song calls us to live like the future she describes is already a reality. One practical application of this would be that we must evaluate our relationship with wealth and power. How would you describe your current relationship with wealth and power? What wealth and power do you have? How do you use it? How does Jesus use His wealth and power?

**A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU:** Even if you feel invisible, God has seen you.