

CHRIST IN YOU
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Can you imagine how Mary must have felt whenever the angel came to her and told her that she was going to give birth to the Messiah?

Luke 1:28-31 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

Vs.34-35 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Wow! How would you have responded? What would your reaction have been? Notice how Mary responded.

Luke 1:38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

And so it was. Christ was born. Have you ever wondered how Mary must have felt? What was it like to have God within her? To have the Creator of heaven and earth living inside of her body?

The answer might surprise you. God makes each one of us the same offer that He gave Mary. The same God that came to live inside of her, wants to live inside of you! He wants to fill each of us with His Spirit. When that happens, we get to share with Mary, some of how she felt, knowing that Christ lives inside of human flesh.

Col 1:27....Christ in you, the hope of glory:

1 John 4:1 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

God didn't just want to live inside of Mary, He wants to live inside of each and every one of us as well. Will you say as Mary said, "Be it unto me according to thy word."