

Luke 1:26-38

“More than Divine Intervention”

Question to Consider-

Am I living in relationship with the God who directs history and personally guides my life?

OR

--Am I living with a vague sense that God will intervene in my favor?

--Am I trusting in myself more than trusting in God?

Typical objections to the doctrine of the Virgin Birth (virgin conception)

1. The disciples made this story up after the fact, to embellish the account and make Jesus seem divine.
2. An event like this simply could not have happened.

Two questions for application:

Why did Mary find favor with God?

What is the significance of the various titles?

- Jesus, Son of the Most High, holy

Why did Mary find favor with God?

Because of God's grace, which is given, not earned. Mary did nothing to deserve this honor.

Luke 1:46–48 ESV

And Mary said,

“My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for
he has looked on the humble estate of his
servant. For behold, from now on all
generations will call me blessed”

What is the significance of these titles?

Holy, the Son of God- without sin.

Son of the Most High (“Most High” is used
20 times in Psalms)

Jesus- Greek form of Hebrew *Joshua* which
means, “The Lord is salvation”