

Sermon Title: The Arrival Of The Angel

Scripture Reference: Luke 1:26-38

## **Connection:**

- What do you remember most from last week's sermon?
- How did you hear God's voice or sense His presence this past week?
- What are you looking forward to this winter?

## **Reflection:**

- Summarize this week's sermon in one to three sentences. What was the main point of the message?
- What did the message say about you, God's people or the world?

## **Application:**

- 1. Where do you most relate to Ryan's opening struggle with the consumer side of Christmas, and how has your view of Christmas changed over the years?
- 2. Read Isaiah 41:10. How does this passage deepen your understanding of why Gabriel tells Mary, "Don't be afraid"? What fears tend to rise in your own obedience to God?
- 3. Read Philippians 2:5–8. How does the humility of Jesus' arrival help you appreciate the significance of Mary's "yes" to God?
- 4. Mary responds, "I am the Lord's servant; may everything you have said come true." Where in your life do you sense God asking you to say "yes," even if it brings discomfort or risk?
- 5. Read James 1:22-25. How does this passage connect with the challenge to not just understand the Christmas story, but respond in obedience like Mary?