



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
R O C H E S T E R

Sermon Discussion Guide
December 24, 2023

Refresh

Read Luke 1:46-55 to get the Scripture passage back in your mind.

Discuss

How does Mary's song indicate her familiarity with the Old Testament? What does this tell us about Mary and seemingly the home in which she was raised?

What does it look like to have a Bible-saturated home? What are common obstacles to having a Bible-saturated home? What are some ways we can work to this end as parents and grandparents?

How does the parallelism between the phrases at the end of verse 46 and the beginning of verse 47 indicate the deity of Christ? How do we see the various gospel writers referring to Christ's deity early in their writings (i.e., Luke 1 and John 1)? Why make such a big deal about this truth from the beginning of their portraits of the life of Jesus Christ?

In what ways does Mary express her humility in this passage? Why do you think humility was her response rather than a pride that she was the one chosen by God to give birth to Jesus? How does Mary's response inform us of how we should respond when God uses us to do great things?

How does Mary's song highlight God's remembrance of His people in their distress? Why might it have been hard for Jews in the first century to believe that God did remember His people?

Why is it sometimes hard for us to believe that God remembers us in our distress? How can we grow in believing that God will remember us and care for us?