





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; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever."

- Luke 1:46-55, ESV

## Mary begins with an expression of praise.

Mary dwells on three attributes of God:
His power, holiness, and mercy.

"Only because the mighty Lord has done mighty things is there good news to tell, only because of the past tenses which speak of God's deeds is there a gospel to proclaim." If God is holy, then He can't sin. If God can't sin, then He can't sin against me. If He can't sin against me, shouldn't that make Him the most trustworthy being there is?"

- Holier Than Thou, Jackie Hill Perry

"The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness..."

- Exodus 34:6

"Compassionate" (or merciful) is a feeling word. Yahweh is like a father, or even a mother, and we're like his children. And 'gracious' is an action word. It means, like a parent, God comes to the rescue when his kids need help.

- God Has a Name, John Mark Comer

### Mary sings about God's version of the world.

## She finishes by reflecting on the way God keeps His promises.

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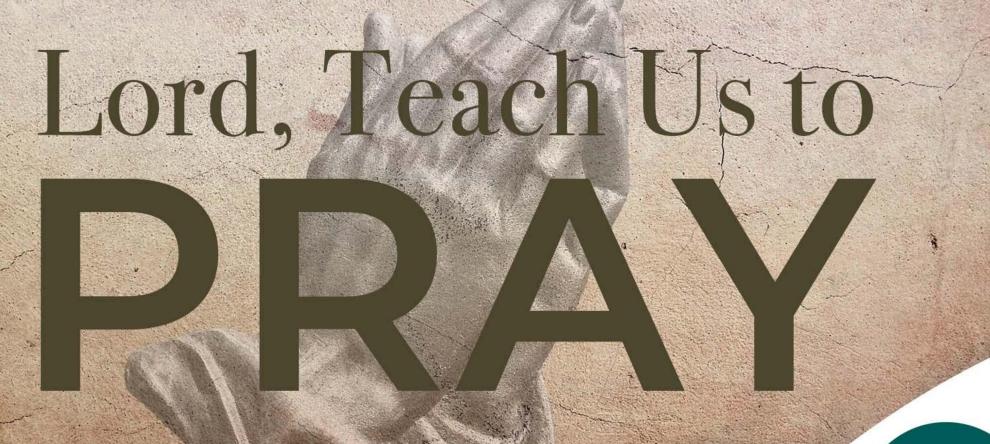


## When we pray, we are a part of something bigger.

When we don't know what to pray or how to pray, we can simply pray Scripture.

## This God we have the privilege to talk to is unlike any other.

#### God's Kingdom is very different from ours.





Our souls magnify You Lord, and our spirits rejoice in You our Savior, for You have looked on the humble estate of us, Your servants. For behold, from now on all generations will call us blessed; for You are mighty and have done great things for us. Holy is Your name. Your mercy is for those who fear You from generation to generation. You have shown strength with Your arm.

You have scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts, brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; You have filled the hungry with good things, and the rich You have sent away empty. You have helped Your servant Israel, and us who have been brought into the family of God. To You be the glory and honor, forever and ever, Amen.

- FAC Prayer Song