THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARY

May 9, 2021 Luke 1-2 by Bob Branch Happy Mother's Day!

Hear the Gospel according to Mary and how it illumines much of following Jesus.

MARY

- Mary's heart is full of ______ for her child and his potential.
- Mary looks up with great ______ to God.
- Her son's arrival was _____, painful, uncomfortable and challenging.
- She met the most interesting ______ because of Him.
- She did her best to _____ him to be a good man and to fulfill his call.
- She experienced ______ like all parents do.
- Her heart broke when her son _____.

MOTHERHOOD

- When you carry a child, your heart brims with HOPE.
- You have a profound sense of the gift that your child is and GRATITUDE wells up because of it.
- You know how INCONVENIENT kids can be...
- Because of them, you get to meet the most interesting PEOPLE.

- It's a challenge to RAISE them to be good humans.
- Birthing and raising kids is the SCARIEST venture.
- You'll see them STRUGGLE, be challenged, feel pain and hurt.

FOLLOWING JESUS

"<u>Living within you is the Christ</u> who floods you with the expectation of glory! This mystery of Christ, embedded within us, becomes a heavenly treasure chest of hope filled with the riches of glory for his people, and God wants everyone to know it!" **Col. 1:27** TPT

- In him—the promised One—is HOPE. (2 Cor. 1:10)
- Because of this THANKFULNESS becomes our native tongue. (Col. 3:15)
- His arrival & leading are frequently INCONVENIENT, painful and challenging. (2 Cor. 4:17)
- Because of him we meet the most interesting PEOPLE.
- Because of him we are now awakened to who God is and are being RAISED UP to be fulfill God call for each of us. (Eph. 2:10)
- Following him will mean facing FEARS we have tried hard to avoid. (2 Tim. 1:7)
- Because of him our hearts are warmed, softened and can now FEEL pain and be broken—true humanity. (2 Cor. 1:3-9)