

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Mary's Secret to Embracing Life-Shaking Circumstances

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1. How does learning the Jewish custom of betrothal enhance your understanding of the gospel?
2. Mary is described as humble, submissive and obedient. Why would these characteristics deem a woman “blessed”?
3. If you were mentioned in Scripture, what adjective would you want written to describe you?
4. Have you given up on a prayer because you assumed God was saying “no”? How does the testimony of a delayed answer encourage you to persevere in prayer?
5. In the past, how have you let your circumstances define your response and reaction rather than trusting God?
6. “God is so not impressed with our station in life, or our credentials, or any of that external stuff. He is interested in our heart, in our heart.” How do you feel about that statement?
7. Do you take time to ponder the moment—to quietly take the treasures that you have learned and received and put them in your heart? How can you be deliberate about doing this?
8. How could God use women today who are willing to be humble, obedient, and submissive to Him?