

## Heroes of the Bible

**AKA:** The Virgin Mary, Mary the Mother of Jesus

**Startling fact:** Sometimes God does things that are definitely not what most people would approve of. Instead of introducing His Son, the king of the whole universe, in a golden chariot with spotlights and fireworks, God chose an ordinary young woman to be the mother of the Savior, and He chose a stable as His birthplace.

**Coolest trait:** When told by the angel Gabriel that she would give birth to God's Son, Mary accepted God's will, saying, "I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word", showing faith and trust in God's power and plan for her life, even when it seemed so absurd.

**Did you know?** While pregnant with Jesus, Mary praised and magnified God in a beautiful hymn now known as the Magnificat, saying: "He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away." Read Luke 1:46–55 for the full psalm.

**You can too:** Believe that God likes to use the humble and the lowly to showcase His greatness.

## Footnote:

<sup>1</sup> Luke 1:38 ESV.

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