

Mary Jesus' Mother

God in doing His work and fulfill His purpose on earth He chose obedient people to serve Him. One of those God's chosen is Mary, whom He called to be pregnant with His Son Jesus Christ, as we can read here: *"In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, 'Greetings, you are highly favored! The Lord is with you.' Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. But the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His Father David and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, His kingdom will never end.' 'How will this be,' Mary asked the angel, 'since I am a virgin?' The angel answered, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God. Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be barren is in her sixth month. For nothing is impossible with God.' 'I am the Lord's servant,' Mary answered. 'May it be to me as you have said.' Then the angel left her." (Luke 1: 26-38)*

Mary was highly favored by God and He chose her to be the mother of the Lord Jesus Christ. As we know that the Lord Jesus Christ is 100% God, He is Spirit, and also He is 100% human, he is a flesh. Mary was chosen to be the mother of the flesh part of the Lord Jesus Christ but not the spiritual one. She became pregnant of Him by the power of the Holy Spirit. From the flesh part of the Lord Jesus Christ Mary is the mother, that is why when Mary visited her relative, Elizabeth, *"In a loud voice she exclaimed: 'Blessed are you among women and blessed is the child you will bear! But why am I so favored, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?'" (Luke 1:42-43)* This is in regard to the flesh, but from the Spiritual part, Jesus Christ is the Lord God and Mary is a woman and God's servant. That is why when the angel informed her about God's plan for her she was encouraged and accepted to do God's will as she said, *"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me as you have said." (Luke 1:38)*

Let us also read Mary song and what she said about God who love to use humble people. *"My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for He has been mindful of the humble state of His servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the mighty One has done great things for me—holy is His name. His mercy extends to those who fear Him, from generation to generation. He has performed mighty deeds with His arms; He has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. He has helped His servant Israel, remembering to be merciful to Abraham and His descendants forever, even as He said to our fathers." (Luke 1:46-55)* Mary we can call her a blessed woman and God's servant, but we don't worship her or we pray to her. But we worship and pray to God the Father through His Son Jesus .

In the wedding at Cana this is what happened, *"On the third day the wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and His disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to Him, 'They have no more wine.' 'Dear woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied, 'My time has not yet come.' His mother said to his servants, 'Do whatever He tells you.' Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons." (John 2:1-6)* Mary requested Jesus to help those in the wedding. He addressed her as, *"Woman,"* and she said to the servants, *"Do whatever He tells you."* Mary's word to the people is that they should follow Jesus orders and instructions and not to follow her. The Lord Jesus Christ in the same way He said, *"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)* Clearly Jesus said, 'Come to me,' He did send anyone to His mother.

One time somebody said to Jesus while He was teaching, *"Blessed is the mother who gave you birth and nursed you." He replied, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it." (Luke 11:27-28)*

In another occasion while Jesus was teaching, Mary and Jesus' brothers came to meet Him; let us read what happened, *"Someone told Him, 'Your mother and brothers are standing outside wanting to speak to you.' He replied to him, 'Who is my mother, and who are my brothers? Pointing to His disciples, He said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers, for whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.'" (Matthew 12:47-50)*

Mary had from Joseph true children. After she gave birth to Jesus, Joseph took her as his wife and he has children from her, brothers and sisters to Jesus. The Bible speaks about that; *"When the Sabbath came, He began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard Him were amazed. 'Where did this man get these things?' They asked. 'What's this wisdom that has been given Him, that He even does miracles! Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't His sisters here with us? And they took offense at Him." (Mark 6:2-3)*

Mary also witnessed the death of Jesus on the cross, *"Near the cross of Jesus stood His mother, His mother's sister. Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw His mother there, and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother, 'Dear woman, here is your son,' And to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' From that time on, this disciple took her into his home." (John 19:25-27)* And Mary stayed with the disciples witnessed with them His resurrection from the death and His ascension to heaven. And then after, *"They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers." (Acts 1:14)*

My dear and beloved: This is the truth about Saint Mary, Jesus' Mother, she is the Lord's servant, therefore follow her example of faith, love, purity and obedience and serve the Lord Jesus and worship Him alone as Mary His mother did, as you agree to pray.

My Prayer: *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins and rose again from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord I trust you in my life. Lord I humble myself into your hand, I am your servant, may it be to me as you have said. Thank you Lord, this is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.*