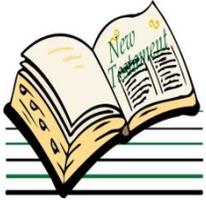


# Sermon Notes

**Title:** *Mary's Song of Praise*

**Text:** Luke 1:46-56



**Theme:** Even now Mary is singing around the throne of glory the Song of the Lamb. We join with her and all the saints in heaven every Lord's Day here on earth to praise God for His incredible mercy shown to us in Christ.

I. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ God for What He Has  
\_\_\_\_\_ for Her (46-49)

II. Mary Praises the LORD for How He Has  
\_\_\_\_\_ Things for \_\_\_\_\_  
(50-53)

III. Mary Glorifies God for \_\_\_\_\_ His  
\_\_\_\_\_ (54-55)

## IV. Applications

- A. Christians have the highest and greatest \_\_\_\_\_ to rejoice in \_\_\_\_\_ and praising God for the \_\_\_\_\_ He has shown to us in Christ.
- B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ \_\_\_\_\_ the promise that God would \_\_\_\_\_ right order and balance to the world and to your \_\_\_\_\_ as you put your trust in Him.

Next Week Read: Matthew 2:1-12; Luke 2:25-35

Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:

1. What two words that mean essentially the same thing does Mary use to refer to the depths of her praise for and joy in the LORD (v. 46)?
2. Why does Mary praise the LORD (v. 48)?
3. What does God show to those who fear Him (v. 50a)?
4. Who does the LORD scatter (v. 51b)?
5. How does the LORD reverse the condition and situation of people on the earth (v. 52)?
6. Who receives "good things" from the LORD (v. 53a)? What do you think this condition involves?
7. Whom does the LORD send away empty (v. 53b)? What do you think this condition involves?
8. Whom has the LORD helped particularly in their service to Him (v. 54)?
9. Who is the father of those who look in faith to God to fulfill His promise (v. 55)?
10. How long does Mary stay with her relative (v. 56)?
11. How do we know that Mary words are a type of song?
12. Why should Christians sing to the LORD?
13. Is lack of a "good" singing voice an adequate reason not to join in singing when the saints gather to worship the LORD? Why or why not?
14. How might God's people improve their singing before the LORD?
15. What is qualitatively different about the songs Christians sing as Christian believers compared with other songs sung typically by those who do not profess faith in Christ?
16. What does it mean to sing a "new song?"
17. In Scripture, what does it mean to be poor? to be rich?
18. Why does God bring down the mighty of the earth? How does/will He do this?
19. Are the rich to be despised due to their riches? Are the poor to be favored merely due to their poverty?
20. How does the Gospel overturn the power structures of the world?