

The Sacrifices of Mary

Let us consider the cost Mary was willing to pay to be a part of God's story. Let us note her cost and then ask if we treat God with the same worth.

Scripture(s): Luke 1 26-40

I. The first thing that Mary sacrificed when she told the angel "let it be" was a _____ life. Mary did not just give up a normal _____ but also a normal life.

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II. The second thing that Mary sacrificed when she told the angel "let it be" was _____ . Faith is seeking God's way even when we cannot _____ understand that way.

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

III. The third thing that Mary sacrificed when she told the angel "let it be" was her _____ . Mary's reputation did not just " _____ " itself.

John 8:19 So they were saying to Him, "Where is Your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither Me nor My Father; if you knew Me, you would know My Father also."... 41 "You are doing the deeds of your father." They said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father: God."... 48 The Jews answered and said to Him, "Do we not say rightly that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?"

IV. The fourth thing that Mary sacrificed when she told the angel "let it be" was _____ to enjoy. Time is our biggest thing to _____ .

Remember this - Saying yes to God is worth whatever we may be asked to _____ .

Our challenge: Count the _____ and discover that Jesus is worth following.

1. We want a normal life, but are you willing to give up the world's _____ for God's?
2. Be willing to say yes to God even when you do not immediately understand the _____ .
3. When God calls us, He calls us to give up worrying about what other people _____ of us.
4. Are you willing to make the sacrifice of _____ to God's call?