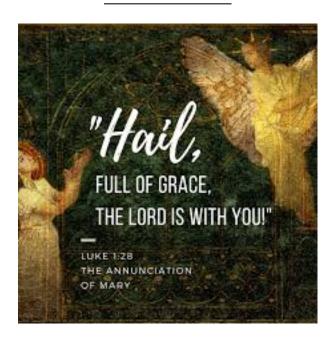


The Annunciation



Dear Lord,

What a beautiful scene the Annunciation is! There is no wonder why artists have depicted it so many times throughout history. The angel stands before Mary and tells her she is to become the mother of Jesus, the savior. She asks a simple question, "How?" She is not married. Then the angel assures her that the Holy Spirit will take care of it, and the child will be holy. Satisfied, Mary says the immortal words, "Be it unto me according to thy word."

Mary's acceptance of God's plan and her part in it brought about the birth of Jesus; the word made flesh. You offer this opportunity, in a lesser way, to each of us. You ask each of us to cooperate with you, to let you work through us. If we agree, as Mary did, we, too, can be part of God's plan. Through us, God can bring Jesus and his love in the world.

Dear Lord, grant me the grace to want what you want, and to always say "Be it unto me according to thy word."



~ In the dark night of faith, when life seemed challenging or even unbelievable, have you ever surrendered to our Lord and His plan for your life?

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