

WELCOME to Grace Christian Center



Advent Week 4: Love

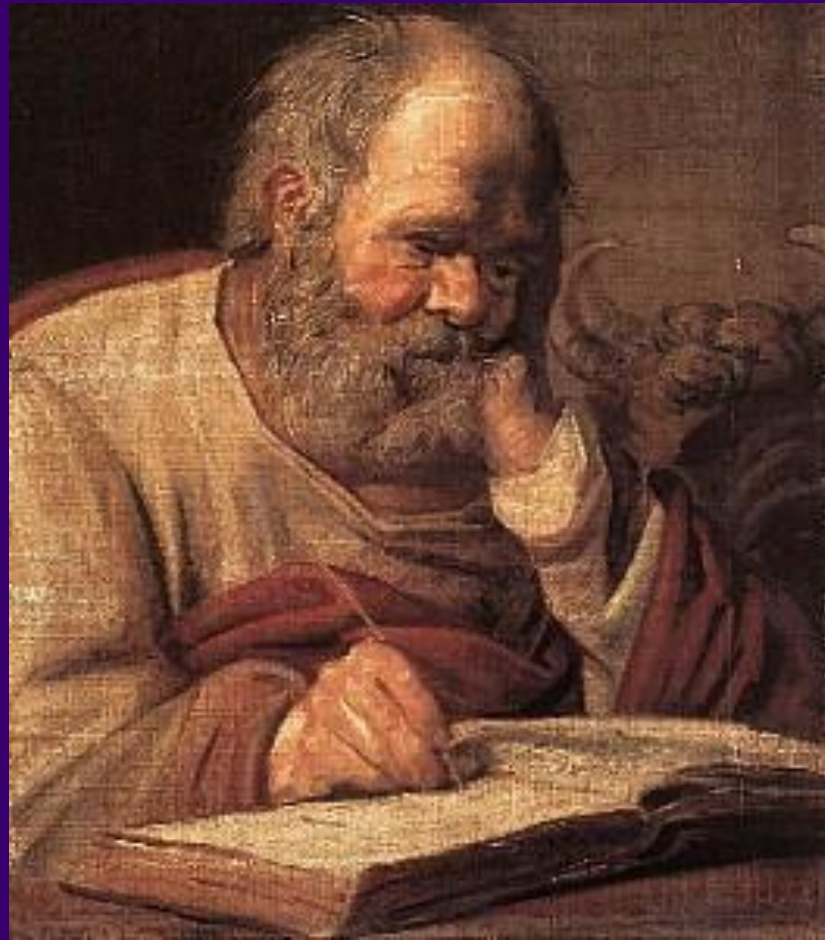


LOVE SHOWS UP

December 20, 2020



I. LUKE TELLS THE STORY



II. THE SILENCE IS BROKEN

Luke 1: 26-27 NKJV

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.



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1. THE PRESENTATION

Luke 1:28-29 NKJV

And ... the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"²⁹ But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was.

MSG: she was thoroughly shaken

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2. THE PROMISE

Luke 1:30-33 NKJV

Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. ³³ And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

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3. THE PROBLEM

Luke 1:34-37 NKJV

Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?"³⁵ And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God."³⁶ Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.³⁷ For with God nothing will be impossible."

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4. THE PROCLAMATION

Luke 1:38 NKJV

Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

III. MARY SINGS

Luke 1:46-48 NKJV

46 And Mary said: "My soul magnifies the Lord, 47 And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. 48 For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. 49 For He who is mighty has done great things for me, And holy is His name. 50 And His mercy is on those who fear Him From generation to generation.

John 3:16

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COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVE

5 pm, Thursday evening, the 24th

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