



# ADVENTURE OF CHRISTMAS

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The Adventure of Hope

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**Malachi 4:5-6** "See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. <sup>6</sup> He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction."

**Luke 1: 13-17** But the angel said to him: "Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John. <sup>14</sup> He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, <sup>15</sup> for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born. <sup>16</sup> He will bring back many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. <sup>17</sup> And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready a people prepared for the Lord."

**Waiting on God is \_\_\_\_\_.**  
**Waiting feels so different when....**

1. God is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Overlords are \_\_\_\_\_.
3. I have an appointment with \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 1:26-38**

**The One Thing:**

Hope is not just \_\_\_\_\_.

Hope is \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ that God will work.

# Christmas Means Hope Because....

1. While I'm waiting, God is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 1:26-28** In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, <sup>27</sup> to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup> The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

2. Jesus often works on a \_\_\_\_\_ but \_\_\_\_\_ timeline.

**Luke 1:29-33** Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup> But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup> You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. <sup>32</sup> 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, <sup>33</sup> and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

3. God can \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 1:33-38** and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end." <sup>34</sup> "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" <sup>35</sup> The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called[a] the Son of God. <sup>36</sup> Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. <sup>37</sup> For no word from God will ever fail." <sup>38</sup> "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

Christmas hope \_\_\_\_\_ my soul and \_\_\_\_\_ my soul.