

“For the word of God will never fail.”

~ *Luke 1:37*

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### **WAM Parent Companion Reading**

If you have your bible with you, find this verse and read it in context (Luke 1:26-38). This passage is also printed on the back of this paper. Select as much or as little of the passage as you'd like and read it through four times, focusing on the following each time:

#### FIRST READ: ENTER

Let the entirety of the passage wash over you on this initial read. Take note of the who, what, when, where, and why of the passage (Google, study bible reference, etc). Who is speaking? To whom? Where are they? What are the historical circumstances of this time period? Why is the author writing this passage?

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#### SECOND READ: IMPRESS

Read through the passage again and take note of any word, phrase, sentence, or verse that makes an impression on you.

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#### THIRD READ: PRAY

Before reading through this third time, spend a few moments in prayer thanking and praising God for His Holy Word. As you read, be prayerfully responding and interacting with God about the text. Imagine you are simply discussing the passage with a friend as you read.

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#### FOURTH READ: APPLY

In this final reading, ask God how He wants you to apply this passage to your life. Do you get the feeling there is something you should start doing, cease doing, or continue doing?

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#### **FAITH 166 Application**

*Share your insights with your children and ask them what they learned from the verse. Take time this week to pray with each other and ask God to help you apply the lessons you each learned.*

#### PASSAGE: Luke 1:26-38

**26** In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, **27** to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. **28** Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!" **29** Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. **30** "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God! **31** You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. **32** He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. **33** And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!" **34** Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin." **35** The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God. **36** What's more, your relative Elizabeth has become pregnant in her old age! People used to say she was barren, but she has conceived a son and is now in her sixth month. **37** For the word of God will never fail." **38** Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." And then the angel left her.