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God's Kingdom Come | Luke 1:26-38

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SMALL GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What part of Mary's story surprised or encouraged you the most?
2. Where do you sense God working quietly in your life right now?
3. What prevents us from noticing God in the ordinary?
4. What is one area God is calling you to surrender to Him?
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2. What fear do I need to name before I can obey?
3. Where is the Holy Spirit inviting me to trust beyond my understanding?
4. What small act of obedience can I practice today?
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2. What does it mean to say "yes" to God?
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