A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: December 17, 2017 Advent Week 3: See Luke 1:26-38

- 1. Who was Elizabeth?
 - a. Verse 13 says she is Zechariah's wife.
 - b. According to the story in verses 5-25, she is the mother of John the Baptist.
 - c. Verse 36 says she was Mary's relative or cousin, depending on the translation.
- 2. Why did God send Gabriel to Mary?
 - a. It doesn't really say, verse 26 just says that he sent him.
 - b. Well, apparently to tell her stuff, since that is what he did in verses 28-37.
 - c. Angels are messengers who only do God's will and declare His word, so God used this angel to send a message to Mary.
- 3. According to verses 30-33, did Gabriel tell Mary?
 - a. Do not be afraid; you have found favor with God.
 - b. You will conceive and give birth to a son...
 - c. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.
 - d. He will be a king in the line of David...and his kingdom will never end.
- 4. Does God also have a plan for us (See Jeremiah 29:11-13, 2 Peter 3:11, Titus 2:11-14, Acts 1:8, John 14:1-3)? Yes_____ No____ Explain.
- 5. What objection, according to verse 34, did Mary have? _____
- 6. Do we find it impossible (or hard to see) God's plan in our lives? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. ______
- 7. How, according to verses 35-37, does the angel try to convince Mary that this will really happen?
 - a. He tells her that the Holy Spirit will come on her and the power of God will "overshadow" her.
 - b. He tells her that her relative Elizabeth will also have a child (testimony of another who goes before).
 - c. He reminded her that no word from God will ever fail.
- 8. Do you think God could overcome your objections to his plan for your life?_____