

Sometimes Good News is Hard – Luke 1:26-38, Matthew 1:18-25

I. Mary's Blessing wrapped in a trial. (Lk. 1:26-38)

- A. The confusing greeting of blessing.**
- B. The blessing of a trial.**
- C. The miracles in the blessed trial.**
- D. Mary's proper response to God.**

II. Joseph's Blessing wrapped in a trial. (Matt. 1:18-25)

- A. The confusing situation around the blessing.**
- B. The intervention of God in the trial.**
- C. The fulfillment of the blessing.**
- D. Joseph's proper response to God.**

What does that mean to me?

I need to view trials as blessings from God.

I need to have a willing servant's heart to accept trials as challenges from God.