



The Ideas Behind Christmas: **OVERJOYED**

Luke 1:46-55

Introduction: Joy came to Mary differently than it came to Elizabeth – but we can benefit from looking at both!

So, how does joy actually *work*?

Joy just HAPPENS...

- When you TAKE NOTICE of how God has INTERVENED in your story.
 - ⇒ Elizabeth (Luke 1:13-15a, 24-25, 57-58)

- When you TAKE NOTICE of how God has INCLUDED you in THE Story.
 - ⇒ **Mary** (Luke 1:26-33, 39-55)

Concluding Application:

- Take some time today to reflect on your life and make a list of the times that God has included you in His plan to change someone's life.
- Have you set a weekly appointment with God throughout 2019 to intentionally treasure all these things in your heart yet?