God's Messages to Us in The Christmas Story

Luke 1:26-56

Be Ready to Be Used by Me

1. God chooses a person because of His

God's sovereign grace ... like all His ways, is ultimately beyond human understanding. ~John MacArthur

• Genesis 6:8, Ephesians 2:8-9, 2 Corinthians 4:7

God chose Mary, God chose Noah, and God choose us simply and only because of His grace.

Christ does not exist in order to make much of us. We exist in order to make much of him. ~John Piper

2. God chooses a person who is _____.

F – _____.

A – _____.

> When God asks, am I available; is my first thought yes or no?

3. God chooses a person who will _____

on His power, not their own.

• John 15:4-8, Colossians 3:16

> Am I abiding in Christ, relying on Him, plugged into His power or my own?

> Am I more interested in using God, or being used by Him?

4. God chooses a person for His

A. God chose Mary to help save others.

B. God chose Mary so He would be glorified.

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• Psalm 106:8, 1 Corinthians 10:31, 1 Peter 4:11

What is the chief end of man? Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever. First Question and Answer in the Westminster Shorter Catechism

> All too often I seek to make my name great and glorify me instead of God and His name.

Am I ______ to be used by God?

What do I need to do to

I am ready to be used by God?



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