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Pastor Green's Daily Encouragement

Have you ever wondered how you would react if an angel of the Lord appeared to you and told you something that seemed completely unbelievable? For instance, if you were Mary and you were told that you were going to bear a baby while you still a virgin, what would you do? And not just any baby, but the Son of the Most High? I would imagine that you might be a little bit skeptical. And how about being in the situation that Joseph was, where you knew that you weren't the father, yet your fiancée was pregnant? That would be even more difficult to comprehend. Do you wonder then why God chose them? It was because of their obedience. Neither of them suggested that God should find someone else, even if it seemed to make more sense to them that the Son of God should be born in a palace, not in anything that they could ever afford. Everything about that proclamation of a virgin birth made no sense to them, nor does it to us today. So, what did Mary and Joseph do? They did what they were told to do, they became wonderful parents, and they protected their Son Jesus from Satan who would have enjoyed nothing more than to see that Child die as an infant. We will never understand how difficult it was for Mary and Joseph to be obedient to God, but we should be eternally grateful that they were. Thank You Lord, for sending people like Mary and Joseph into the world to help with Your plans to save us. Give each of us just a little of that obedience to You. Amen. Our song on this Monday before Christmas is "Mary Did You Know" sung by Kenny Rogers and Wynonna Judd. Listen, learn.