

Title: The Big Reveal

Text: Luke 1:38-44/John 1:29

Target: The suspense of “Unwrapping Christmas” is found in the possibility of three aspects meeting at the intersection of hope and healing: “It Can’t be”, becoming “it could be”, proving “it will be”!

I. **The BEHOLD of Mary: Acceptance:** Luke 1:38 *“Behold, I am the servant of the Lord.”*

- a. **Statement of Submission:** The word “*Servant*” means bondservant.
 - i. Rights - I am not the final authority.
 - ii. Regards - I am not my own.
- b. **Statement of Sincerity:** *“let it be to me according to your word” (38)*
 - i. Faith - confident hope in the unseen.
 - ii. Faithful - willing to embrace shame.

II. **The BEHOLD of Elizabeth: Affirmation:** Luke 1:40-44

- a. **Confirmed by the Sound:** *“heard the greeting of Mary” (41)*
- b. **Confirmed by the Sensation:** *“baby leaped in her womb” (41)*
- c. **Confirmed by the Spirit:** *“filled with the Holy Spirit” (41)*

III. **The BEHOLD of the John the Baptist: Announcement:** John 1:29

- a. **Someone of Significance:** *“Behold”*
- b. **Symbol of Sacrifice:** *“Lamb of God”*
- c. **Save from Sin :** *“Takes Away the Sin”*
- d. **Scope of Salvation:** *“Of the World”*

IV. **The BEHOLD of the Jesus: Accomplishment:** John 19:26-27

- a. **Point of Concern:** *“when Jesus saw His mother” (26)*
- b. **Place of Confession:** *“Behold, your son...Behold, your mother” (26-27)*

TAKE AWAY: The hope of in the delivery of this message is that you would choose to REVERSE THE POINTS: JESUS **ACCOMPLISHED** what HE **ANNOUNCED** He would do, which extends the invitation to you today to not only **AFFIRM JESUS**, but **ACCEPT JESUS**.