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An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream.

“Get up! Flee to Egypt with the child and his mother,” the angel said. “Stay there until I tell you to return, because Herod is going to search for the child to kill him.”

That night Joseph left for Egypt with the child and Mary, his mother, and they stayed there until Herod’s death.

~ Matthew 2:13-15

When they couldn't find him, they went back to Jerusalem to search for him there. Three days later they finally discovered him in the Temple, sitting among the religious teachers, listening to them and asking questions. All who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

His parents didn't know what to think. "Son," his mother said to him, "why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been frantic, searching for you everywhere.

"But why did you need to search?" he asked. "Didn't you know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they didn't understand what he meant.

~ Luke 2:45-50

# Two Critical Moments

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In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!" *Confused and disturbed*, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean.

~ Luke 1:26-29

But how can this happen? I am a virgin.

~ Luke 1:34

I am the Lord's servant. May everything you  
have said about me come true.

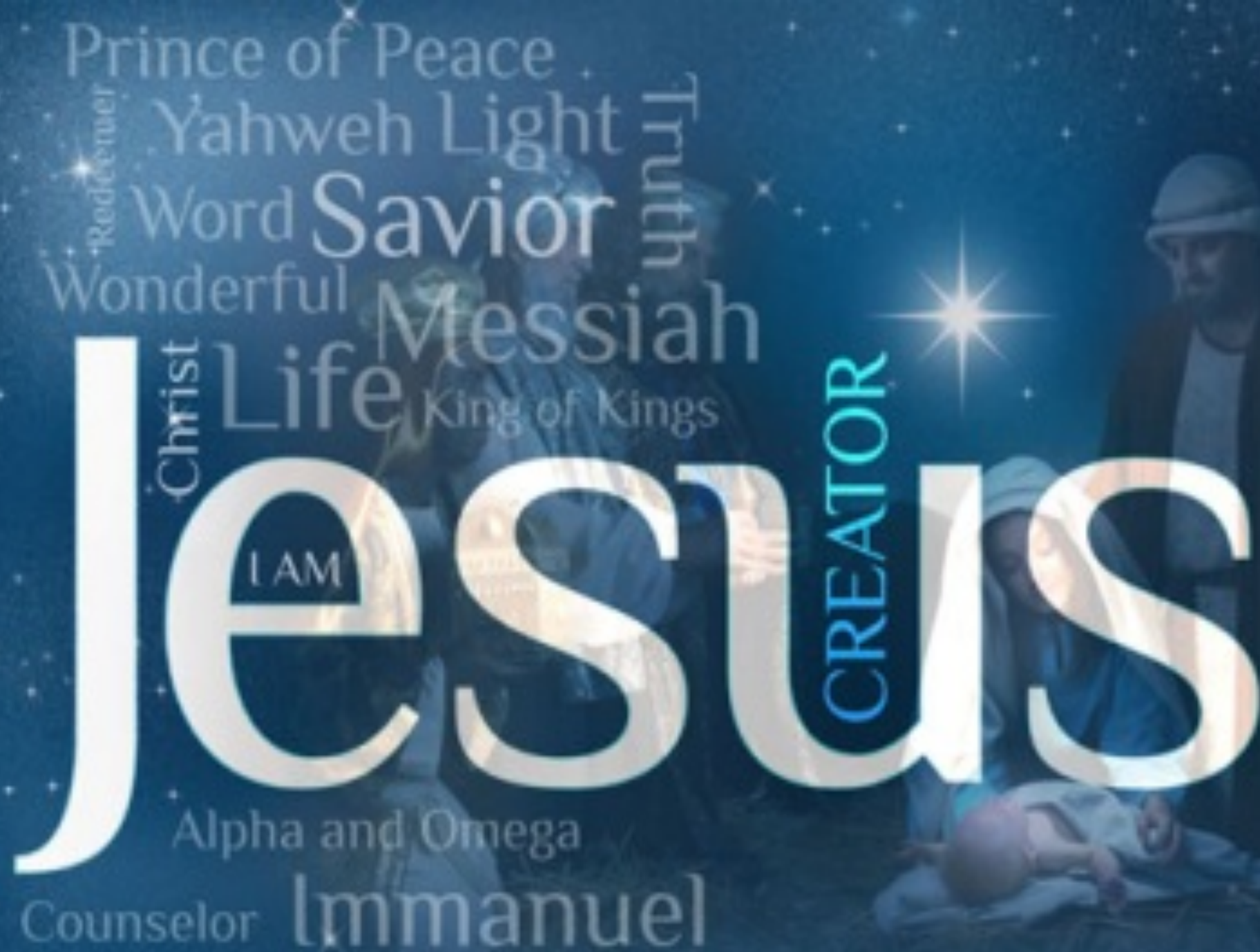
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- II. They were faithful when they felt INTIMIDATED.

Nothing is impossible with God.

~ Luke 1:37

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