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A GIFT
THAT WAS
HEAVEN SENT

LUKE 1:26-38

LUKE 2:7



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HEAVEN SENT

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CAN YOU IMAGINE WHAT YOUNG MARY THOUGHT,
WHEN FIRST SHE GAZED INTO HER BABY'S EYES-
AND WHAT EMOTIONS IN HER THROAT WERE CAUGHT,
WHEN FIRST SHE HEARD HER LITTLE BABY'S CRIES.

SHE WAS JUST A YOUNG GIRL WHEN SHE GAVE BIRTH,
BUT SHE'D BELIEVED WHAT THE ANGEL HAD SAID-
THE SON OF GOD WOULD DWELL UPON THE EARTH,
'JOY TO THE WORLD' WOULD SOON BE HERALDED.

THE 'WORD OF GOD' WAS NESTLED TO HER CHEST,
HOW OVERWHELMED SHE MUST HAVE FELT BY LOVE-
THE LOVE OF GOD HAD BEEN MADE MANIFEST,
THE KING THAT PROPHETS HAD BEEN SPEAKING OF.

HE WOULD BE WOUNDED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS,
BUT THE WORD OF TRUTH HAD ALSO REVEALED-
THROUGH OUR BELIEF, FAITH AND CONFESSIONS,
BY HIS STRIPES-WE COULD ALL BE HEALED.

BUT SHE WAS JUST A YOUNG GIRL ON THAT DAY,
A YOUNG MOTHER, WHO KNEW WHAT IT MEANT-
TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD, AND TO OBEY,
THEN HOLD A GIFT THAT WAS HEAVEN SENT.

LUKE 1:26-38

"AND SHE BROUGHT FOR HER FIRSTBORN SON,
AND WRAPPED HIM IN SWADDLING CLOTHES,
AND LAID HIM IN A MANGER... LUKE 2:7

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" IN THE 6TH MONTH THE ANGEL GABRIEL WAS SENT FROM GOD TO A CITY OF GALILEE NAMED NAZARETH, TO A VIRGIN betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "GREETINGS, O FAVORED ONE, THE LORD IS WITH YOU! BUT SHE WAS GREATLY TROUBLED AT THE SAYING, AND TRIED TO DISCERN WHAT SORT OF GREETING THIS MIGHT BE. AND THE ANGEL SAID TO HER, "DO NOT BE AFRAID MARY, FOR YOU HAVE FOUND FAVOR WITH GOD. AND BEHOLD, YOU WILL CONCEIVE IN YOUR WOMB AND BEAR A SON, AND YOU SHALL CALL HIS NAME JESUS. HE WILL BE GREAT AND WILL BE CALLED THE SON OF THE MOST HIGH. AND THE LORD GOD WILL GIVE HIM THE THRONE OF HIS FATHER DAVID. AND HE WILL REIGN OVER THE HOUSE OF JACOB FOREVER, AND OF HIS KINGDOM THERE WILL BE NO END.

AND MARY SAID TO THE ANGEL, HOW WILL THIS BE, SINCE I AM A VIRGIN?

AND THE ANGEL ANSWERED HER, THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL COME UPON YOU, AND THE POWER OF THE MOST HIGH WILL OVERSHADOW YOU; THEREFORE THE CHILD TO BE BORN WILL BE CALLED HOLY - THE SON OF GOD. AND BEHOLD, YOUR RELATIVE ELIZABETH IN HER OLD AGE HAS ALSO CONCEIVED A SON, AND THIS IS THE 6TH MONTH WITH HER WHO WAS CALLED BARREN. FOR NOTHING WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD. AND MARY SAID,

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Behold, I am the servant of the Lord;
let it be to me according to your
word. And the angel departed
from her."

LUKE 1:26-38

"And she brought forth her firstborn son,
and wrapped him in swaddling clothes
and laid him in a manger..."

LUKE 2:7

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Hello Friends,

Amid the hustle and bustle
of the holidays, I pray that you
may pause and reflect upon the
Reason for the season. - How
God so loved the world that He
gave His only begotten Son... (Ref John
3:16) Thanks be to God for His
unspeakable gift.

BROTHER GARY

Special Thanks to my friend Phillip
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DRAWING of Mother and Child.