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Make Church a Part of Your Life WEEKLY SERMONETTE

"The Heart of Mary Highly Favored" By Preacher/Teacher Terry Laughlin, CrossRoads Ministries

"The angel went to her does not have the Spirit of revelation that was full of (Judges 6:12) This is you." (Luke 1:28)

This spoken blessing eternal life. into her life did not come is an active verb meaning "endued with divine grace to the full." Mary was highly favored to be the natural mother of Jesus Christ. Christians through being born again are highly favored by God to have the indwelling of the Holy Spirit of Christ living in them. Having Christ as Savior and Lord is the greatest Christmas present that anyone can ever receive.

The idea worth grasping here is that God has extended His favor or grace to all born again Christians in Christ just as He did Mary. Mary was the bearer of the physical Son of God, He being God in the flesh -Christians have the Holy Spirit of Christ living

and said, 'Greetings, Christ, he does not belong explanation and promise. the very promise made you who are highly fa- to Christ." The same chap- The truth worth grasping to soldiers of Christ we vored! The Lord is with ter says if you have Christ for Mary was and is for us, read about in the Book living in you, you have "The Lord is with you." of Matthewin the giving

from abroad, but from Word of God spoken to her from the angel of the Lord And surely I am with the very throne of God was truth worth grasping. who appeared to Gideon you always, to the very and the term "highly fa- Her heart after God en- who said, "The Lord is end of the age." (Matvored" (kecharitomene) abled her to receive divine with you, mighty warrior." thew 28:18-20) The

A Manger

for a King

(Luke 1:28) These are of the Great Commis-Mary had to believe the the very words that came sion. Jesus said, "...

word "always" (pantos) means continually and forever with us in our work with the Lord and in everything involved in our lives. Jesus will not leave us to do the work of God or to live out our lives down here all alone depending only on man's flesh. He is literally involved in everything that affects our human lives and souls. What greater truth is worth meditating upon this Christmas season?

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