



NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Date: December 1, 2024

Sermon Series: The Art of Christmas

Sermon Title: Gabriel's Announcement to Mary

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Speaker: Dr. Ron Jones

1. Reflect on Fra Angelico's early Renaissance painting called *Annunciation*. What do you see? How does it make you feel?
2. Read Luke 1:26-38. What is your first response to Gabriel's announcement to Mary? How does the painting and the biblical text help you experience the wonder of Christmas?
3. How does the text describe Mary's response to seeing the angel? What might have been going through her mind when she heard the news?
4. Like Mary, what does it mean for us to say "yes" to God's will, even when it seems difficult or challenging?
5. What does Mary's faith teach us about the importance of trusting in God's promises, even when we don't fully understand them?