



# Take-Home Page

## Mile Marker

**God is with us when we're joyful.**



## Bible Story

### **Mary & Elizabeth's Family Reunion**

**(Luke 1:39-56)** Our story today picked up just after Mary received a very special visitor and a very special message: The angel Gabriel told her that she would be the mother of a child named Jesus, God's Son! When Mary heard this news, the first thing she did was hurry to visit her relative Elizabeth, who was also expecting a child. As soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child she was carrying leapt for joy! The Bible story tells us that Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and proclaimed a blessing on Mary. When Mary heard these words, she was also filled with joy! She praised God for choosing her to carry God's Son. Mary realized that the child who would be born to her would reverse the roles of the fortunate and the unfortunate, and she thanked God for this. She also thanked God for fulfilling all of God's promises, and for continuing to fulfill the promises God made to her ancestor, Abraham, so long ago. Mary gave thanks to God for being with her during this time of great joy!

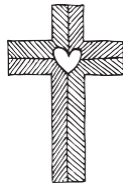
## Family Follow-Up

Mary responded to God's presence in her time of joy by praising God. How can you thank God for the joy you experience?



## Green Light Verse

**“The Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9**



**Today, all the Travelers at Road Trip! VBS learned that God is with us when we're joyful! Coming next time at VBS: Jesus Visits Zacchaeus! See you there!**

**VBS UPDATE**

