

“The Three Wise Women”
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Introduction

1. Elizabeth

a. “Both of them were upright in the sight of God, observing all the Lord’s commandments and regulations blamelessly. But they were childless because Elizabeth was not able to conceive, and they were both very old.” (Luke 1: 5-7)

b. “In a loud voice she exclaimed: “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! But why am I so favoured, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed is she who has believed that what the Lord has said to her will be accomplished!” (Luke 1: 42-45)

2. Mary

a. “But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid Mary, you have found favour with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.” “How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?” The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be barren is in her sixth month. For nothing is impossible with God.” “I am the

Lord’s servant,” Mary answered. “May it be to me as you have said.” Then the angel left her.” (Luke 1: 30-38)

b. “Zechariah asked the angel, “How can I be sure of this? I am an old man and my wife is well on in years.” The angel answered, “I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news. And now you will be silent and not able to speak until the day this happens, because you did not believe my words, which will come true at their proper time. Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.” (Luke 1:18)

3. Anna

a. “There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped night and day, fasting and praying.” (Luke 2: 36-38)

b. “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (Phil. 4: 6-7)

Conclusion

God is looking for men and women whose lives:

- a. Are fully _____ and _____ to Him.
- b. Become _____ not _____ over heartbreaks.
- c. Are a testimony of _____.