NIV MEMORY VERSE: Luke 1:37
For nothing is impossible with God.

LIFE OF CHRIST 1-1
Lesson Scripture:
Matthew 1:1-17
Mark 1:2
Luke 1:1-80

"The Royal Line: 400 Years of Silence Broken"

DAY 1 READ THE LESSON SCRIPTURE

1. a. What was significant to you from the opening lecture?

   b. What are your goals for this year's Bible study?

2. Luke 1:37 says, "For nothing is impossible with God." In today's reading, identify at least three things that could only be attributed to God's power.

DAY 2 "The Royal Line" REVIEW MATTHEW 1:1-17; MARK 1:1

3. Who is the focal point of this genealogy?

4. What was the promise/prophecy given to . . .
   a. . . . Abraham? (Genesis 22:18)

   b. . . . David? (Psalm 132:11)

   c. . . . Isaiah? (Isaiah 9:6,7)

5. (IN-DEPTH) Four women are included in the genealogy of Christ (excluding Mary). They are Tamar, Rahab, Ruth and Solomon's mother, Bathsheba. Share some brief information about each from your previous Bible knowledge.
   a. Tamar

   b. Rahab

   c. Ruth

   d. Bathsheba

6. How did Matthew divide the genealogy in verse 17?

7. According to Mark 1:1, who is Jesus Christ?

DAY 2 (Continued) "The Royal Line" REVIEW MATTHEW 1:1-17; MARK 1:1

8. a. "Christ is the Greek word for the Hebrew word "Messiah." Why do you think giving the details of His genealogy would be helpful?

   b. Who is the historian in your family and how have they given you a better understanding of your background?

DAY 3 "Gabriel's Message" REVIEW LUKE 1:1-25

9. a. From whom did Luke get his information?

   b. Luke wrote an "orderly account" to _____. Why?

10. a. As Zechariah performed his priestly duties, what message did Gabriel bring?

   b. What was Zechariah's . . .
   . . . reaction to seeing Gabriel in verse 12?

   . . . concern in verse 18?

   . . . penalty for doubt?

   c. Why do you think people find the promises of God hard to believe?

   d. Share a promise of God you remember and believe (give Scripture reference).

11. What was Elizabeth's reaction to the fulfillment of God's promise?

DAY 4 "The Lord's Servant" REVIEW LUKE 1:26-56

12. a. Gabriel next appeared to _____ with what message in verse 31?

   b. Name at least four things Mary was told concerning Jesus.

13. What was Gabriel's reply to Mary's concern of virginity?

DAY 4 (Continued) "The Lord's Servant" REVIEW LUKE 1:26-56

14. a. How do you think news of Elizabeth's pregnancy would be an encouragement to Mary?

    b. In what area of your life do you need to believe that "nothing is impossible with God?" What, if anything, keeps you from believing this?

15. How did Elizabeth react to Mary's arrival?

16. From Mary's song in verses 46-55, what would you say characterized her attitude toward this pregnancy?

DAY 5 "Birth of John" REVIEW LUKE 1:57-80

17. When Elizabeth had her baby, Zechariah declared his name was to be _____ and immediately what happened?

18. a. Knowing of Mary's pregnancy, for what did Zechariah praise God in verses 68-75?

    b. What did Zechariah foresee in John's future in verses 76-79?

19. Fill in verse 80. "And the child _____ _____."

20. Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit. When, if ever, have you felt empowered by the Holy Spirit for a special task? Please share.

21. The power of God is worthy of praise! Share one way you've recently seen God's power at work.

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: