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**JOSEPH & MARY:  
Great Privilege – Great Confusion**

**THE GLORY:**

**Joseph & Mary: Privilege Personified**

Luke 1:26-49/ Luke 2:8-40/ Matthew 1:18-2:23

**BEYOND THE GLORY:**

**Blessed Doesn't Always Mean Easy Street**

Luke 2:6-7/ John 6:42/ John 7:3-5 & Luke 8:19-21/ John 19:25-27

**TABLE TALK:**

Isaiah 55:8-9/ Hebrews 11:32-40/ Ephesians 2:10

- ❶ God tells us \_\_\_\_\_ – He doesn't tell us what \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❷ Sometimes doing the \_\_\_\_\_ brings the \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❸ Never judge a painting by the \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❹ We all have a \_\_\_\_\_ in God's great \_\_\_\_\_.

1. This weekend's teaching took us behind the scenes of the first Christmas and the incredible life story of Joseph and Mary. We saw that it was not only a life of great privilege, but also a life with some great confusion as well. As you reflect on the message, what point, statement or insight was the most helpful to you in better understanding how God works in our lives and our world?

2. How can the prayer in **Ephesians 3:14-4:5** help us in the midst of life's confusion? Which statement would be most important for you to remember?

3. As the events of that first Christmas unfolded, "Mary **treasured** up all these things and **pondered** them in her heart." (**Luke 2:19**) In order to see God's work in the midst of life's **confusion**, we too need to take time to "ponder" God's work and Word in our life. Find a few minutes to get away by yourself to re-read the Christmas story (**Luke 2:1-20**) and ask God to help you see the evidence of His fingerprints in your own life as you live out the role you've been called to play in His great story.