In this Bible story, Mary was just a teenager when the angel Gabriel [GAY-bree-uhl] appeared to her. He told her that God chose her to be the mother of Jesus, his son. He told her that Jesus would be a great king. His Kingdom would last forever.

This was a great responsibility for Mary to accept. She did not understand how it could even happen. But Mary knew that God was good and loving. Calling herself God's servant, Mary put herself in his hands and said, "Yes." Because Mary trusted God, Jesus came to earth and saved us all. When we say yes to God like Mary did, we can also expect good things to happen. We celebrate Mary's yes to God on the Feast of the Annunciation, March 25.

Live It!

Pray this prayer to ask for Mary's help in saying yes to God: Mother Mary, pray for me.

I want to be just like you,

ready to say yes to whatever God asks.

Pray that when God calls me, I will be ready, trusting that he will bless my life.

Then someday I will be with you and your son, Jesus. Amen.











Using the pictures above, retell this story in your own words.