

# *The Most Wonderful Story in the World*



A long time ago, a very special and beautiful girl named Mary, had an apparition. The Angel Gabriel appeared to her and told her that she had been chosen by God to be the mother of the Savior.



Mary's fiance, Joseph, also had an apparition of the Angel in one of his dreams. The angel said that he shouldn't hesitate to take Mary in marriage, since the baby she was expecting was God's child.



Mary then visited with her cousin, Elizabeth, who was also expecting a baby. She exclaimed with happiness as she saw Mary: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb."



Soon after they were married, Mary and Joseph had to travel to Bethlehem, but when they arrived they couldn't find any lodging.



The only shelter they could find was a stable used for animals, this is where Jesus was born. Mary wrapped him and placed him in a manger for a crib.



Shepherds came from nearby. Wise men brought gifts from far away places; and they all praised baby Jesus as their "new King".