Advent Devotional - Day 06

December 6th

Scripture: Matthew 1:20-21Verse: "But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."



Reflection:

Joseph's role in the nativity story is often overshadowed, yet his faith and obedience are remarkable. Faced with a situation that defied all understanding, Joseph chose to trust in God's message delivered through the angel. His decision to take Mary as his wife, despite the potential for public disgrace and personal doubt, demonstrates profound faith and courage.

In modern times, we too encounter situations that challenge our understanding and require us to trust in God's plan. Whether it's navigating a career change, dealing with a family crisis, or making a significant life decision, we are called to respond with the same faith and obedience that Joseph exhibited.

Joseph's story reminds us that God's plans often transcend our understanding. His willingness to embrace God's message, despite the uncertainties, encourages us to trust in God's guidance in our own lives. Just as Joseph played a crucial role in God's plan for salvation, we too have a part to play in God's ongoing work in the world.

Reflect on a time when you faced a difficult decision and chose to trust in God's plan. How did that experience shape your faith? As you go through your day, remember Joseph's example and strive to respond to God's call with faith and obedience, knowing that He is with you every step of the way.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for Joseph's example of faith and obedience. Help us to trust in Your plans for our lives, even when we face uncertainty and fear. Give us the courage to follow Your guidance and to embrace Your message with a willing heart. Amen.

