

## Mary Visits Elizabeth - Luke 1:39-45

*Topics:* Advice, Affirmation, Age, Appreciation, Blessing, Children, Culture, Encouragement, Holy Spirit, Honor, Joy, Maturity, Relationships, Respect, Wisdom

### Open It

1. What was the first trip you can remember taking by yourself?
- \* 2. What relative do you look forward to visiting the most?
3. What benefits have you derived from personal relationships with older people?

### Explore It

4. To where did Mary hurry? (1:39)
- \* 5. What two remarkable things happened as soon as Mary called her greeting to Elizabeth? (1:41)
6. What was the significance of the baby leaping at the sound of Mary's voice? (1:41, 44)
7. How did Elizabeth respond to the baby's leaping inside her? (1:42-45)
8. In what way was Mary blessed? (1:42)
- \* 9. Why did Elizabeth describe herself as "favored"? (1:43)
10. In what significant way did Elizabeth address Mary? (1:43)
11. Why did Elizabeth's baby leap in her womb? (1:44)
- \* 12. Who was blessed? (1:45)
13. What general spiritual principle did Elizabeth express? (1:45)

### Get It

14. In what ways could we describe both Mary and Elizabeth as "blessed" women?
15. How did Elizabeth indicate that she knew what her and Mary's pregnancies meant?
16. How would you describe the mood in Zechariah's home during the time Mary visited?
- \* 17. Judging from Elizabeth's experience, what is it like to be filled with the Holy Spirit?
18. How does it feel to be genuinely complimented by someone older than you?
- \* 19. What significance do you think it had for Mary that Elizabeth knew the importance of Mary's baby?

### Apply It

- \* 20. What older Christian could you contact or visit this week to express appreciation for the help he or she has been to you?
21. For what work of God do you want to celebrate or praise Him?