

**Sermon Application/Discussion Questions – 12/10/2017**  
**Sunday Message: Andrew – Luke 1:39-55**  
**Advent: Compassionate**

1. It's a work of the Holy Spirit that we can take notice of Jesus. Elizabeth was filled with the Spirit and recognized that Mary was carrying Jesus, the Messiah. Share what being filled with the Spirit looks like in your relationship with God. What are some recent examples of times you have noticed the Lord at work in different situations because you were filled with the Spirit?
2. Mary glorified God, rejoicing in Him as her Savior. She extolled God's power, holiness and mercy. In what ways are God's power, holiness and mercy personally evident in your life? How do you acknowledge this kind of grace at work in you and show gratitude to God for his kindness in working both in and through you, despite your sin and weakness?
3. Mary acknowledged that mercy was available for those who are humble and fear God. Those who fear God are the meek and poor in Spirit who confess their need for grace and forgiveness, who thirst after righteousness. We cannot make much of God's mercy when we make much of ourselves, and when we are humble and low, we have the greatest view of that mercy. How do you go about identifying and experiencing God's mercy in your life? What would others who are closest to you say about how you show them mercy?