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**Transforming Daily**  
**“... *the voice of your greeting* ...”**  
*Luke 1:44*

When Mary heard that she was going to be the mother of the Lord Jesus Christ, she went to visit her cousin Elizabeth. Upon arriving, and being greeted by Elizabeth, the moment she heard Mary's voice, John the Baptist (not yet born) was filled with the Holy Spirit, and leaped inside of her womb! Elizabeth's response was one of bewilderment that she would be visited by the mother of the Savior of the world.

In a way, this was the first missionary journey of Christ. Elizabeth was the first visit in Mary's outreach program. Mary went to Elizabeth with the express purpose of sharing Christ with her. What was the result? It was a favorable response. The innkeeper won't respond that way on the day of His birth. King Herod won't respond that way when he hears the message of the Magi. In fact, most of the Jews won't respond as Elizabeth did. The difference? Faith and the willingness to believe.

The believer, like Mary, is called to share Christ with others. There will be times of warm greetings and times of outright rejection, but nevertheless, it is the believer's privilege and responsibility to take the message of Christ to family, friends, and even foes. The very best time to do that is during the Christmas season. After all, it is the time of the year that we celebrate the birthday of the King of kings and Lord of lords, the Son of God, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Do you see yourself as one being called to take the name of Jesus with you? Are you prepared to share Him with others? Is it your purpose for the cause of Christ to bring joy to others at the voice of your greeting?