

# Mystery – Luke 1:34

How will this be?

- God had spoken to Ahaz of all people! Isaiah 7:14
- God slowly reveals His plan through history
- No one had unravelled the mystery!
- Isaiah 55:8 – 13
- Mary heard the mystery being revealed but couldn't understand it!

Mystery revealed:

- Eph 1:9 'And he made known the mystery of His will
- Eph 2:14 Peace! Reconciliation! Access!
- Eph 3:3 Mystery revealed
- Eph 3:7 – 13 A mystery shared and proclaimed
- Eph 3: 18 – 20 A mystery that goes far beyond our understanding

## Digging Deeper

Read through Ephesians 1 – 3

1. What has the Holy Spirit been revealing to you about the 'mystery' over recent weeks?
2. What would life have been like for Mary in Nazareth?
3. How prepared do you think she was to have this mystery revealed?
4. What about the Nativity would have remained a mystery for Mary and Joseph as her pregnancy developed?
5. What lessons can we learn from the way the Birth narrative of Jesus unfolds? A) For our own life? B) for the life of the church?
6. What part of the mystery would you like to see God reveal to you during this coming year?