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Luke 1:46-56

According to Mary, our world is upside down. Mary's Magnificat, a prophetic song, makes it clear that when the kingdom comes and the will of God is done "on earth as it is in heaven," radical changes will be made.

The proud will be scattered, the humble exalted. Mighty rulers will be brought down and the oppressed will be raised up. The rich will be kicked out of their mansions empty, and the hungry will be filled with good things.

From beginning to end, the Christmas gospel tells us that Christ wants to turn our world right side up with the poor and oppressed having a full voice. After all, Jesus Christ was born in a barn, not a palace or a mansion.

You and I can't turn the world right side up by ourselves. But we can help. What lifestyle changes could we make to show solidarity with the Jesus revolution? What will be the first act at your home, church, neighborhood, your work place that will (1) exalt the humble and (2) fill the hungry with good things?

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