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Today is the **Feast of the Annunciation**, the day when Mary was visited by the Angel and told that the child Jesus would be conceived in her womb. Mary was troubled by the words of the angel and said – “*How can this be...?*” After the angel explained, Mary said, “*May it be done to me according to*

your word.” How often do you question what God seems to be doing in your life? Who wins out in your questioning? I urge you to be willing to trust God in whatever He wants.

Then, are you aware that next week is known as “Holy Week” – the week when Jesus suffers and dies for **all** of us? Thursday of Holy Week is Holy Thursday, the day when Jesus has his **last meal** with his disciples. You might want to spend that day thinking about how Jesus felt about this being His last day. Who would you be willing to die for?? The very next day is Good Friday, and I have often wondered why the day Jesus dies is called Good Friday, but that is a day that is **good for all of us**. We call it Good Friday, but would Jesus have called it Good Friday? Jesus dies for us so that we may be with Him in heaven. I urge you to spend each day of Holy Week thinking about Jesus’ willingness to suffer and die for all of us, and what he did on that day.

Many of my family members have died around the Easter Season. Because the date changes each year, sometimes it is in March and sometimes it is in April. My mother had died on March 28, and that year it was the week before **Holy Week**. My father had died on April 12th, and that year it was **Easter Monday**. One of my sisters died on Easter Sunday about 30 years later, and another sister died on the Wednesday after Easter. I can only be grateful that they have gone to be with the Lord in heaven.

Let us pray for each other during this Holy Season of the year!

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