The Magnificat - a reading from the Gospel of St Luke 1:46-55 (ICB adapted)

Then Mary said to Elizabeth,
'My __ __ __ __ praises the Lord;
my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.
I am not important, but God has shown his care for me,
his __ __ __ __ __ __ __ .
From now on, all people will say that I am blessed,
because the Powerful One
has done great things for me.
His name is holy.
God will always give __ __ __ __ __
to those who are in awe before him.
God's arm is strong.
He scatters the people who are __ __ __ __ __
and think great things about themselves.
God brings down rulers from their thrones,
and he raises up the __ __ __ __ __ __ .
God fills the hungry with good things,
but he sends the rich away with nothing.
God has helped his people Israel who serve him.
He gave them his mercy.
God has done what he promised to our ancestors,
to __ __ __ __ __ __ __ and to his children forever.'

Use the words below to fill in the scripture's blank spaces.

Abraham

heart

soul

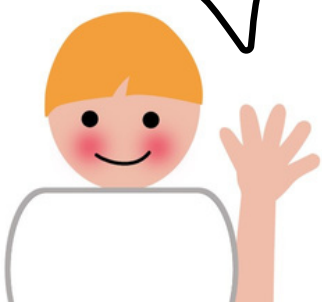
humble

servant

mercy

proud

Did you know, the Magificat is also known as 'Mary's Song'. Over the centuries many people have set these words to music. Why don't you try too?



In the Magnificat scripture, Mary speaks of God's mercy. List as many synonyms for 'mercy' as you can here.

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The Magnificat questions

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The Magnificat answers

Synonyms for mercy:

Forgiveness. Compassion. Sympathy. Tolerance. Gentleness. Kindness. Tenderness.

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   God is Mary's Saviour. God has shown his care for Mary. God has done great things for her. God will always give mercy. God raises the lowly. God fills the hungry with good things.

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