The Faith-Filled Catholic Women's Bible Study Program Participant's Worksheet

<u>Acceptance</u>

Insert A-1 through A-4

Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Luke 1:38

You can prepare for the discussions about the theme **Acceptance** by thinking about how you might answer the following questions:

What does acceptance mean to me?

What does it mean to me to "be accepted?"

Have I ever felt totally accepted (or unaccepted) by any person or any group of people?

Do I ever have trouble accepting myself?

Do I have trouble accepting the circumstances in my life that I can't change?

Is there an instance recently where I have found myself complaining in some way about some person or some situation in my family, at work, or in my community?

Group Prayer - My intentions for group prayer this week:

Closing Prayer

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference. Amen.

My personal response in Acceptance for this week - Pray a rosary one morning this coming week specifically asking the Blessed Mother for her help in discerning God's will in your life. Share at least one thing you discover with another woman.

Other Scripture on **Acceptance:**

Ephesians 6:7 (Page 291 NT) * 1 Peter 2:9 (Page 356 NT)

Romans 12:5 (Page 231 NT) * Psalm 118:8 (Page 683 OT)