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The Dawning of the Age of Fulfillment – Part 1

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 - A. The people (vv. 5-7)
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 - 2. Their character (v. 6)
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 - 1. The temple ministry (vv. 8-9)
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 - A. The angel's message (vv. 13-17)
 - 1. The birth of John (vv. 13-14)
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 - a. His character (v. 15)
 - b. His impact (vv. 16-17a)
 - c. His purpose (v. 17b ff.)
 - 1) Turn the hearts of fathers to their children
 - 2) Turn disobedient to the wisdom of the just
 - 3) Make ready a people prepared for the Lord
 - B. Zachariah's response (v. 18)
 - C. The angel's response to Zachariah (vv. 19-20)
 - 1. His authority (v. 19)
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