



## The Father of Christmas

Luke 1:1-25

### DISCUSSION GUIDE

1. God, the Father of Christmas, made a promise in the last verse of the Old Testament (Malachi 4:5). Talk over how this promise applies to John the Baptist.
2. In becoming the Father of Christmas, God broke His silence between the Old and New Testament by simply answering a prayer. Discuss the impact of this answer to Zechariah and Elizabeth, the nation of Israel, the world and in your life.
3. Read Luke 1:24-25. Talk through Elizabeth's understanding of how God has answered her prayer. In what ways should this effect the way we pray and see God's answers to our prayers?
4. In 1 Peter 3:15 we are told to "give a reason for the hope" that we have as believers. How do you explain the hope in your life? Who are you praying for currently who needs a "reason for hope"?