

Zacharias' Prophecy

Luke 1:57-80

Luke 1:57-58: Now **Elizabeth's full time** came for her to be delivered, and she brought forth a **son**. When her neighbors and relatives heard how the Lord had shown **great mercy** to her, they **rejoiced** with her.

Luke 1:59-60: So it was, on the **eighth day**, that they came to **circumcise** the child; and they would have called him by the name of his father, **Zacharias**. His mother answered and said, "No; he shall be called **John**."

Luke 1:61-62: But they said to her, "There is no one among your relatives who is called by this name." So they made **signs to his father** - what he would have him called.

Interesting: Earlier **mute** (v.20)...now we learn **deaf** too!

Luke 1:63-64: And he asked for a writing tablet, and wrote, saying, "**His name is John**." So they all marveled. Immediately his **mouth was opened** and his **tongue loosed**, and he spoke, **praising God**.

Luke 1:65-66: Then fear came on all who dwelt around them; and all these **sayings** were **discussed throughout all the hill country of Judea**. And all those who heard them kept them in their hearts, saying, "**What kind of child will this be?**" And the **hand of the Lord** was with him.

Luke 1:67: Now his father Zacharias was **filled with the Holy Spirit**, and **prophesied**, saying:

Numbers 11:25-26

1 Corinthians 14:5: I wish you all spoke with **tongues**, but **even more** that you **prophesied**... that the church might be **edified**.

Zacharias was a man **immersed** in the Scriptures. Ex!

There are some **16** Old Testament allusions or quotations.

Luke 1:68: "**Blessed (Praise) is the Lord God of Israel**, for He has **visited** and **redeemed** His people,

Filled with HS v. 67- (1) Praised (2) Prophesied

Luke 1:69: And has raised up a horn of **salvation** for us in the **house of His servant David**,

2 Samuel 7

Luke 1:70: As He spoke by the mouth of His **holy prophets**, who have been since the world began,

Luke 1:71: That we should be **saved** from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us,

Luke 1:72-73: To perform the mercy **promised** to our fathers and to remember His **holy covenant**, the oath which He swore to our father **Abraham**:

Luke 1:74: To grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might **serve** Him without fear,

Always been Gods plan! Saved that we might **serve Him!**

Luke 1:75: In **holiness** and **righteousness** before Him **all the days of our life**.

Pray that!

Luke 1:76: "And you, **child**, will be called the **prophet of the Highest**; for you will go before the face of the **Lord** to prepare His ways,

Luke 1:77: To give knowledge of **salvation** to His people by the **remission of their sins**,

John 1:29

Luke 1:78: Through the **tender mercy** of our God, with which the **Dayspring** (Sunrise) from on **high** has **visited** us;

Luke 1:79: To give **light** to those who sit in **darkness** & the **shadow of death**, to guide our feet into the way of **peace**.

- Malachi 4:2: The **Sun of Righteousness** shall arise with **healing in His wings**; **And you shall go out** and **grow fat like stall-fed calves**.
- Revelation 22:16: **Bright** and **Morning Star!**
- 2 Peter 1:19: **Morning Star**

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Luke 1:80: So the **child grew** and became **strong in spirit**, and was in the **deserts** till the day of his manifestation to Israel.

Moses

David

John

Hardship prepares **ordinary** people for an **extra-ordinary**
destiny!

- C.S. Lewis