



SERMON SERIES ON LUKE

# *God<sup>the</sup> Son, Son of Man*



STUDY GUIDE • LUKE 1:57–80

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**LUKE 1:57–80**

# **WELCOME**

## **Fixing Our Focus**

**Suggested icebreaker:**  
Challenge each GG member to think of as many promises God has made in the Bible which He fulfilled.

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# **WORSHIP**

## **Adoring Our God**

**Suggested songs:**

- [Praise Him Forever](#)
- [Speak, O Lord](#)

# **WORD & WALK:**

## Understanding & Applying the Word

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### **LESSON AIM**

1. GG members will praise God for his grace and faithfulness.
2. GG members will be faithful to God's calling by serving him.

### **INTRODUCTION**

In our previous lesson, we saw how Elizabeth and Mary responded to God's grace and blessing in their lives. In this lesson, we see God fulfilling his prophecy to Zechariah through the angel Gabriel, and how Zechariah responded by praising God as he was filled with the Holy Spirit.

### **God fulfilled His prophecy to Zechariah (vv. 57-66, 80)**

1. What was the gender of the child born to Elizabeth? What was the prophecy mentioned to Zechariah through the angel Gabriel about the child that will be born to him and Elizabeth? (cf. v. 13)
2. How did their neighbors and relatives react to the birth of the child? Compare this with what the angel Gabriel prophesied to Zechariah in verse 14.
3. How did Zechariah and Elizabeth show their obedience to God after the birth of their son? (cf. v. 13; Gen. 17:12)
4. What happened to Zechariah after he obeyed God's command? What did the angel Gabriel say regarding this when he appeared to Zechariah? (cf. v. 20)
5. How did Luke describe John as he grew up? How did this align with what the angel Gabriel prophesied? (cf. v 15)

### **Application**

1. How have you experienced God's graciousness and faithfulness? How are you responding to him?

### **Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and praised God (vv. 67-79)**

1. What happened to Zechariah before he started speaking? How is this similar to what happened to his wife, Elizabeth in verse 41?
2. What were the reasons enumerated by Zechariah why God deserves to be blessed? What is the salvation spoken of here which were spoken by the prophets of the Old Testament?
3. What are the reasons why God saved his people? What are his expectations from those whom he saved?
4. How did Zechariah describe John in his prophecy? How is this aligned with what the Old Testament prophets proclaimed about him? (cf. Isaiah 40:3; Malachi 3:1)
5. How did Zechariah describe Jesus, the Messiah, who will come after John? How is this aligned with Old Testament prophecies about Jesus? (cf. Isaiah 60:2-3; Malachi 4:2)

# **WORD & WALK:**

## Understanding & Applying the Word

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### **Application**

1. Why do you think it's just right and proper that God expects you to serve him?  
How are you serving God where he has placed you?
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### **PRAYER ITEM**

Praise and thank God for his graciousness and faithfulness, particularly for sending Jesus Christ into this world to save people from bondage to sin and death. Pray for people you know who still need to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and that God will give you opportunities to share the gospel with them. Pray for each other, that you will be faithful witnesses to God in each of your current contexts.

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