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PART 6: **BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIZER**

Luke 1:57-80

God Keeps His **PROMISES.**

Some of God's Promises to you Include:

He promised to supply every need you have.

Philippians 4:19

He promised his grace is sufficient for you.

2 Corinthians 12:9

He promised to help you overcome temptation.

1 Corinthians 10:13; Jude 24

He promised to work all things for your good (if you love him).

Romans 8:28

He promised to forgive your sins, if you turn to Jesus.

1 John 1:9; Acts 2:38

He promised eternal life to those who trust him.

John 10:27-28; John 17:3

He promised Jesus will return.

Acts 1:9-11

1:10 COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK



Open Your Group in Prayer.

Use this as a guide, you don't have to answer every question in your group.

1. How did you get your name? Are you named after someone in your family? Does your name have any particular meaning? Do you have any nicknames? How'd you get them?
2. **Read Luke 1:57-80.** What stands out to you about this story?
3. Take some time to compare this passage with **Luke 1:5-25**. Why couldn't Zechariah speak? How were the words of the angel fulfilled?
4. What did Zechariah & Elizabeth's neighbors think about their son? What would you think if Zechariah & Elizabeth were your neighbors?
5. Why did their neighbors respond with fear in **verses 63-66**?
6. Zechariah, like Mary, sings and prophecies about his child. How did you (or would you) celebrate the birth of your first child?
7. **Read Luke 1:67-79.** Make a list of the things Zechariah praises God for.
8. What similarities do you see between Mary's (**Luke 1:46-55**) and Zechariah's songs?
9. In **verses 76-79**, Zechariah speaks words of blessing and prophecy over his son. Has anyone ever spoken words of blessing over you? What affect did it have on you?
10. What is the "knowledge of salvation"?
11. Does the idea of God's "tender mercy" change the way you see God?
12. The story of John's birth reminds us multiple times that God keeps his promises. Which of God's promises mean the most to you? Which are hardest to believe for you?

6:7 family questions

Read Luke 1:57-66 together

After John was born and Zechariah was able to speak again, the people were amazed. They believed John was special and that God would use him to do great things. They were right! In fact, God had a plan for John long before he was born (Malachi 3:1).

If you've trusted Jesus, then God has a plan to use *you* to do great things too. That's one of the reasons he came to save us (Ephesians 2:10).

- **How can we know what God has planned for us to do?**
(2 Timothy 3:16-17; Psalm 119:105)
- **What are some of the things that will help us follow God's plan?**
(Galatians 5:16; Proverbs 3:5-6; Hebrews 10:24)

Pray together as a family. Ask God to teach you his plan for you through his Word, and ask him to help you do it.

These simple questions are designed to help you live out the command in Deuteronomy 6:7 to teach our kids and make God's Word a natural topic of conversation in our homes. Use them at the dinner table, in the car, or whenever you find your family together with a few moments to spare.

PRAYER GUIDE

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23, 2014

*During your prayer time this week, let's all be praying together about the following items.
Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your 1:10 Group.*

NOTE: Due to the sensitive nature of some items on the Prayer Guide, we do not publish it online. Email the church office to sign up for the email prayer list: office@wawaseebible.com