

THE GIFT OF SALVATION

The Preparation for Salvation

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Read Luke 1:57-79 out loud as a group.

1. What was one encouragement or challenge from this Sunday's message or text?
2. What do you think Zechariah might have reflected on or learned during his nine months of silence? If you experienced a similar season, what might you become more aware of with God, people, yourself, and life?
3. Zechariah and Elizabeth had likely carried years of disappointment over being childless. How may that have shaped his reaction to the angel's message? How do seasons of waiting or disappointment shape your ability to trust in God's promises for you?
4. In verses 68-75, how does this song point to the past (God's promises), the present (John's birth), and the future (the coming Messiah)? What can we learn from this about trusting God's timeline in our lives? Why is this important, no matter how young or old we are?
5. In verse 75, the Spirit says that this promised salvation and redeemer is coming for us to know and serve God in three ways. What are they, and why are they timeless callings of what God is up to?
6. Though verses 76-79 are a commissioning blessing from The Lord spoken over John by Zechariah, how do verses 77-79 encourage and equip us to be faithful in preparing for Christ's return? How might these verses shape your prayers and actions this week?
7. What is one thing we can pray for courage and faithfulness to do this week in light of what we have talked about today?