



THE GOOD DOCTOR

The Gospel of Luke

LET ME TELL YOU MY STORY Luke 1:67-80

1. So far in the book of Luke:

- Birth of John the Baptist foretold (1:12-20)
- Birth of Jesus Christ foretold
- Mary travels visit Elizabeth
- Birth of John the Baptist

2. Zechariah's Prophecy

- Lord God of Israel, God of promises (1:67-75)
- You, child, John the Baptist (1:76-80)

3. John's life

- Birth foretold, Name given, and questioned (1:12-20)
- The leap (1:41)
- Behold the Lamb of God, Baptism of Jesus, Preparing the Way (John 1:29, Luke 3)
- Death of John the Baptist (Matthew 14:1-12)

4. Let me tell you my story (Revelation 12:11)

- Birth (Psalm 139:13)
- Understanding the gospel (February 16, 2006) (Ephesians 2:8-9)
- Believing the Gospel, aka Salvation (June 27, 2008) (Romans 10:13, Luke 5:17-26)
- Baptism at Creation 2009
- Marriage, a covenant before God (August 16, 2014) (Proverbs 31:11)

5. Now what...

- Your story
- Your steps
- Your service

■ **Luke 1:67-80** And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

■ ⁶⁸ "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people ⁶⁹ and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, ⁷⁰ as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, ⁷¹ that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us; ⁷² to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, ⁷³ the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us ⁷⁴ that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, ⁷⁵ in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. ⁷⁶ And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, ⁷⁷ to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins, ⁷⁸ because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high ⁷⁹ to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

■ ⁸⁰ And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel.

■ **Ephesians 2:8-9** For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

■ **Romans 10:13** For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Discussion Questions

- Read Luke 1:5-25: Can you imagine being Zechariah or Elizabeth? Have you ever questioned God's instruction for your life? Don't necessarily think about it in the way Zechariah encountered the Angel Gabriel but think about it in the way you encounter God's Word in the Bible. Have you ever read an instruction of God in the Bible and questioned it? Which one? Discuss.
- Read Luke 1:67-80. Zechariah filled with the Holy Spirit prophesies by speaking words about God and then words declared over his son. Zechariah speaks beautifully, he should for two reasons, filled with the spirit, and he's been mute the last 9 plus months...(this is Chad's attempt at a joke). Life begins because of God and we respond to that. Have you identified in your life the gifts, talents, and passions you have and how you will use them to bring honor and glory to God? Discuss.
- Read Jeremiah 33:3. When we call to God in prayer, we are acknowledging that He alone is God and that we cannot accomplish anything in our own strength. When we ask, we must humble ourselves, lay aside our willfulness and worry, and determine to obey him. Pray together with a focus on living your lives in obedience to the calling God has given you.