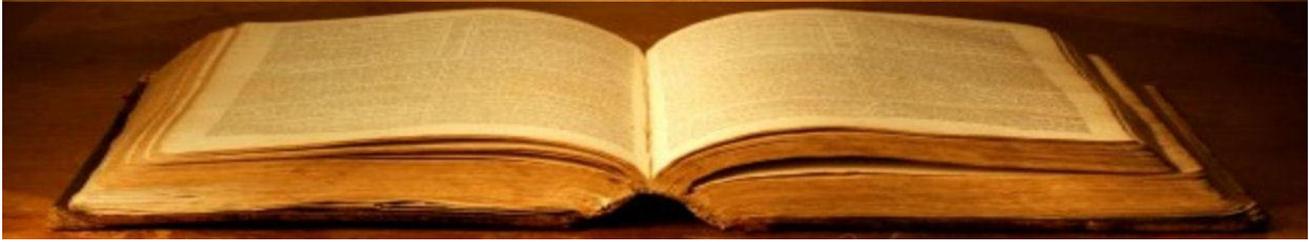


The Life of Christ Living In Me!

Practical Studies in The Gospel According to Luke



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Announcements have been made to Zacharias and Elizabeth, as well as Joseph and Mary. In this lesson we see first the birth of the one who would prepare the way: John. Then we see the birth of the Messiah, the Son of God, the Savior: Jesus.

The Birth of John (Luke 1:57-66)

1. Elizabeth brought forth a _____.
2. Who gathered around to celebrate this birth? _____
3. Births are celebrated. What made this celebration special? _____

4. Why does circumcision take place on the 8th day? _____

5. Traditionally he would be named after _____, but Elizabeth insists on naming him _____.
6. Zacharias is still mute. How does he communicate? _____
7. What does Zacharias communicate about the baby's name? _____
8. When Zacharias regains the ability to speak, what does he speak? _____
_____.
9. THINK! Why did the people fear? _____

10. Notice the discussion concerning the birth of John throughout all the hill country of Judea:
 - a. They kept these reports in their hearts.
 - b. They asked, "What kind of child will this be?"
11. As John grew up the _____ of the _____ was with him.
12. Zacharias and Elizabeth had prayed for a child. Their prayer has been answered. They had a son. This son would prepare the way for Messiah.

Prophecy of Zacharias (Luke 1:67-80)

1. The prophecy of Zacharias was when he was filled with the _____
_____.
2. Consider this prophecy:
 - a. The Lord _____ and _____ His people. (vs. 68)
 - b. He mentions a _____ of _____. (vs.69)
 - c. He tells how God spoke through _____. (vs. 70-71)
 - d. God promised and _____. (vs. 72)
 - e. Where would you find the oath to Abraham mentioned in verse 73? _____
_____.
 - f. Beginning in verse 76, Zacharias addresses the baby, John:
 - i. He would be the _____ of the Highest.
 - ii. He would _____ His ways.
 - g. Ultimately, the knowledge of _____; and _____
of sins would come.
3. John _____, became _____ in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his manifestation to Israel. (vs. 80)
 - a. THINK! What is meant by “deserts”? _____
 - b. THINK! What is meant by “manifestation to Israel”? _____

The Birth of Jesus (Luke 2:1-7)

1. Luke again gives us a historical reference. In the days of _____
_____.
2. The world was to be _____, this was a _____.
3. How did the registration work? _____
4. Since Joseph was of the lineage of David, he and Mary had to travel from _____
_____ to _____.
5. It came time for her to be _____.
6. Mary's firstborn son was born.
7. Was Jesus born in a manger? _____
8. Why were Joseph and Mary staying in a place where there would be a manger? _____

9. This great event, and the surrounding context is recorded by Luke in just 7 verses.