

GOD HAS COME TO REDEEM HIS PEOPLE

Luke 1:39-80

Key Verse: 1:68

“Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come to his people and redeemed them.”

1. What motivated Mary to visit Elizabeth (36,39-40)? How did they mutually encourage each another (41-45)? How did Elizabeth see Mary and her child? How can one be blessed?
2. How did Mary express her joy, and what was its source (46-47)? What did Mary’s song of praise reveal about what God had done and his character (48-56)?
3. What is the significance of Zechariah naming his son John (57-64)? What did people realize about God through John’s birth (65-66)?
4. What does it mean that Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied (67)? To what does “he has come” refer (68; Jn 1:14)? What does the word “redeemed” imply (Ex 6:6; Col 1:13-14)? What does this teach us about God’s love?
5. In what way does the metaphor “horn of salvation” explain how God redeems his people (69-73)? For what purpose does God redeem his people (74-75)?
6. What was John’s role in God’s redemptive work, and how would he accomplish it (76-77,80)? How does the metaphor “rising sun” further explain the work of redemption (78-79)? How is God’s character revealed in Zechariah’s prophecy?