

CHRISTMAS FATHERS & MOTHERS
Zechariah & Elizabeth: The Forerunner
Luke 1

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1. Zechariah and Elizabeth are examples of righteous people being faithful to the Lord during a time of much disobedience and unbelief.

- a. Being faithful to the Lord does not _____ a person from enduring serious trials.
- b. God _____ the prayers of His people and often answers in ways that are far beyond what they expect.
 - 1) The birth of John would bring great _____ and hope.
 - 2) The birth of John would be a fulfillment of prophecy as he would prepare the way for the _____.
- c. Even a righteous person can be guilty of _____.

2. Zechariah was inspired by the Holy Spirit to author a song of praise and prophecy.

- a. God deserves great _____ for the glorious work of salvation He provides through Christ.
- b. God has obligated Himself to provide this salvation by His _____ promises.
- c. The end for which God saves sinners is that they might boldly serve Him as the _____ of God is renewed in their lives through holiness, righteousness and knowledge—to the glory of Christ.