



Message Study Guide

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on thorncreek.church/live)

Warming up

1. What is one favorite activity from childhood you wish you could do now?

Digging Deeper & Application

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. Please read Luke 1:1-25.
 - a. Who is the author of this letter and who is it written to?
 - b. What about this passage jumps out at you? Talk about it.
3. How would you describe a righteous person today?
 - a. What would their habits and lifestyle look like?
 - b. What changes do you need to make in your life to live out a righteous life?
4. Pastor Ruben said, "Zechariah's look at circumstances first, then God second." Are there any unanswered prayers in your that you have dismissed because the circumstances are no longer favorable?
 - a. Have you convinced yourself that God's too late?
 - b. Talk about these unanswered prayers.
5. Is your faith in God dependent on God's miracles in your life?
 - a. Do you need God to move in order to believe? Explain.
6. Zechariah was muted because of his unbelief. Why do you think God muted him?
 - a. Why did God take this so personal?
 - b. Do you think God takes it personal when we don't believe His word?
7. Is your faith more like Zechariah or Elizabeth?



8. What was the purpose of John's life? Do you know your purpose in life?

Application

Below are some of the points or quotes shared in the message.
Discuss how they apply to your life.

- Faith: "Complete trust or confidence in someone or something."
- Doubt: "A feeling of uncertainty or lack of conviction."
- God's timing is different from our timing.
- God is always looking for opportunities to show you how big He really is.
- Sometimes you can do all the right things, and live with an unanswered prayer.
- When God doesn't answer that prayer...will you still believe?
- God wants you to learn obedience even if your circumstances make you question God.
- Be assured, God has heard your prayer.
- Be confident that God will act on your behalf according to his will.