

Journey Church Hawaii
"Your Prayer Has Been Heard"
Luke 1:5-25
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I. Meet Zacharias and Elizabeth [Luke 1:5-10]

- A. A priest married to the daughter of a priest
- B. Righteous in the sight of God
- C. Barren; both very old
- D. Faithful in execution of his priestly duties; this day Zacharias chosen by lot to offer the incense, which symbolized Israel's accepted prayers

II. "Your Prayer has been Heard" [Luke 1:11-25]

- A. Do not be afraid [John 14:27; 2 Tim 1:7; Phil 4:6-7]
- B. Personal Answer [Heb 4:16; Ps 37:3-6; Matt 7:7-12; 1 John 5:14-15; Jas 1:5-8; John 1:14]
- C. *The BIG PICTURE
- D. Prophetic Word [Jeremiah 33:3; Heb 11:1,5; Eph 3:20]
 - 1. Expect it! [Acts 2:17-21] Desire it! [1 Cor 14:1]
 - 2. Test it/Double confirmation [2 Tim 3:16-17]
 - 3. Seek trusted counsel
 - 4. Hide it in your heart [Luke 2:19; Ps 119:11]
 - 5. Do your part; God will do His!
- E. Zacharias dumb and deaf [Luke 1:62; Ro 3:3; 5:1-5]
 - 1. God's answer to, "how can I be sure of this?"
- F. Elizabeth gets pregnant [Ps 69:6; Ro 10:11; 1 Pe 2:6; Isa 45:17]
 - 1. The Lord has done this for me
 - 2. He has shown me His favor
 - 3. He has taken away my disgrace from among the people
- G. The rest of this story [Luke 1:39-80]

III. *The BIG PICTURE [Malachi 4:4-6]

- A. Prepare the Way of Jesus Christ [Matthew 17:10-13]
- B. Reconciliation and Unity
 - 1. ONE God [Deu 18:15; John 8:53-58; Acts 3:22-23]
 - 2. The Body of Christ [1 Cor 11:23-26]
 - 3. The Family [Malachi 4:6]
- C. It starts with God and Me [2 Cor 5:20-21]