

Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, October 16, 2022

Scripture: Luke 1:5-25



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

God fulfilled his promise to send a prophet named John to prepare his people for the glorious coming of his Messiah.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

- What was the great disappointment of Elizabeth's life? Is suffering always the result of personal sin? Like Elizabeth and Zechariah, how can we live faithfully when we experience hardship?
- What important role was Zechariah performing the day he was visited by the angel Gabriel? Why did Zechariah cower in fear at Gabriel's appearance?
- What prayers do you frequently pray to God? How should we respond when his answers are delayed? Do we believe God is good even when he seems to delay?
- For what ministry did God sanctify (set apart) John the Baptist? How would he fulfill his mission? What is the church's mission today?
- Discuss the connection between Elijah and John the Baptist (Malachi 4:5-6).
- What's the mark of salvation in a person's life (1 Thessalonians 1:9)?
- Why do you think Zechariah doubted God's word, and what was the consequence of his unbelief? How can we overcome our doubt and unbelief?
- Do you regularly praise God for the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ? Do you celebrate his salvation in the lives of others?