

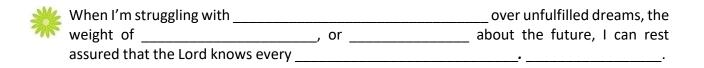
John???

Luke 1

- Even though Israel had gone through a *dark period in history* spiritually and politically there were still ______ who *faithfully served God and longed for the Messiah*. ______ and her husband *Zechariah*, a ______, were among them. They were *devout, elderly* and had ______ (Luke 1:5-7).
- Gabriel said that John would be "*a joy and delight to [him] and many will rejoice because of his birth.*" He would be an ______ type who would "make ready a people prepared for the Lord" ______ (vv. 14-17).
- 4. Zechariah *did not believe Gabriel* did not ______. Consequently, Gabriel told Zechariah that he ______ until the child was born (vv. 18-22)
- 5. After Zechariah's week of service at the temple, he went home, shared his experience with Elizabeth, and she ______. Although she was ecstatic because the ______ had removed her ______, she remained in ______ for 5 months (vv. 23-25).
- 6. When Elizabeth was 6 months pregnant, God sent Gabriel on another mission to announce another conception. This time it was to a poor teenaged girl named Mary betrothed to a man named Joseph. However, this baby would be conceived through the power of the Holy Spirit. Mary immediately went to visit Elizabeth, her relative, where she received confirmation that her baby truly was the Son of God, the long-awaited Messiah. Elizabeth was with Mary. (vv. 26-45).

- 7. Three months later, Elizabeth _______ to a son just as Gabriel had said. According to the law of the Old Testament, they ______ him on the eighth day. They also ______ even though the neighbors and relatives did not approve (vv. 57-61)
- Immediately, Zechariah's speech was _____; he *praised God*; he was filled with the _____; and he prophesied about the imminent birth of the ______ with his very own son ______ (vv. 62-79).
- 9. Everyone was in awe, wondering how the Lord was going to use John since they could see the ______ in all the details of this situation (vv. 65-66).
- 10. John "grew and became strong in spirit, and he lived in the desert until he appeared publicly to Israel." We know him as ______ (v. 80).

What can I learn from Elizabeth?





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Review: Luke 1 and look for additional lessons you may learn from Sarah. **Homework:** Mary and Martha - Luke 10:38-42; John 11:1-3, 17-45