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**New Testament**

**Lesson 2:  
The Birth of John the Baptist**

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## *Lesson 2*

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# **The Birth of John the Baptist**

As we study about the birth of John the Baptist as the forerunner of Christ we need to focus on several remarkable circumstances. His birth to the aged Zacharias and Elizabeth was announced by the angel Gabriel. Although Zacharias was righteous before God he could not believe the message and was dumb until the child was born and named John, which means ‘the Lord is gracious’. As the Lord sent John to prepare the way for the coming of the Saviour, so the Lord needs to prepare our hearts so that Christ may become our Saviour.

### A. Announcement - Read Luke 1: 5-23

#### Study Questions

1. List three things that the Bible tells us about Zacharias and Elizabeth?

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2. What does it mean that they were righteous before the Lord?

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3. Describe the duties of the priest as they served in the temple.

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4. What message did the angel Gabriel bring to Zacharias?

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5. John would be a Nazarite before the Lord. What does that mean?

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6. What would be John's task as the forerunner of Christ?

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7. Why did Zacharias doubt the message of the angel?

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8. How was Zacharias punished for his unbelief?

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### B. Birth of John – Luke 1: 57 – 80

9. Why did the people think that the child should be called Zacharias? Why did the parents name him John?

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10. When was Zacharias' mouth opened so that he could speak? Why is this significant?

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11. What does it mean that Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost and prophesied?

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12. What did Zacharias prophecy about Christ?

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13. And what does the prophecy concerning John?

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14. How was this also prophesied by Isaiah (Isaiah 40:3) and Malachi (Malachi 3:1)?

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15. Where did John live the first years of his life and how was he prepared for his ministry?

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### Discussion Questions

1. It says that their prayers were heard. What does that teach us about our praying and God answering our prayers?

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2. Why do Christians often doubt? What does this teach us about faith?

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