

Trusting How God Will Work

Luke 1:1-64

Luke 1:1-4

1. LIVE A LIFESTYLE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS WHEREVER YOU ARE (ZACHARIAS AND ELIZABETH)

A. God has a plan for how to use us

Luke 1:5

- *Zacharias* - "Jehovah has remembered"; a Priest; 24 divisions, each serves 2x a year for a week

B. Live directed by living for God

Luke 1:6

- *walking* - being led by, going toward
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2. TRUST GOD'S PLAN (THE REACTIONS OF ZACHARIAS AND MARY)

A. Zacharias Doubts

Luke 1:7-10

- Zacharias and Elizabeth have not been able to have a child
 - God promises a son, John
 - His name will reflect God
- John = "Jehovah is a gracious giver"

Luke 1:11-13

- He will prepare the way for Christ

Luke 1:14-17

- Zacharias does not believe and is muted until he sees it happen

Luke 1:18-25

B. Mary Trusts

- Mary found favor with God for how she lived

Luke 1:26-30

- God promises a son, Christ, to a virgin
 - His name will reflect His purpose

- Jesus = "Jehovah is salvation"

Luke 1:31-33

- Mary hears and believes

Luke 1:34-38

- Mary is declared blessed for believing God

Luke 1:39-45

3. PRAISE GOD, WHO ALWAYS DOES WHAT HE SAYS

- Do not just rejoice in your good fortune

A. Mary praises God for who He is

- Our goal is to magnify God

Luke 1:46

- God is mighty, holy, and merciful

Luke 1:47-55

B. God keeps His promises to Zacharias and Elizabeth

- A child—and they point to God

Luke 1:56-58

- A returning voice—and Zacharias praises God

Luke 1:59-64