

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE | DECEMBER 17, 2017

“What Were You Expecting?” | Luke 1:5-38 | EFree Church Diamond Bar

1. When was the last time you were caught off guard by something? Why were you caught off guard?

Christmas is a season of expectation. Developing a godly sense of expectation will cause our faith to grow and bear fruit as we respond to God’s call on our lives.

2. Read Luke 1:5-25. Even though Zechariah had been faithful his entire life, now that God is promising him a miracle, Zechariah does not seem prepared to receive it.
 - Why do you think it was the Zechariah didn’t believe Gabriel?
 - Have you ever felt like your faith was in a rut? What was it like? Do you feel that way now? Why do you think that is?
 - What are some ways we can keep a sense of expectancy in our faith?
3. Read Luke 1:26-38. Mary was a young woman whom no one would have expected to be a part of something so great. But she responded in faith to this incredible calling on her life, even though she knew it was going to be very difficult.
 - What’s a difficult calling God has called you into? How is God growing you and using you through something difficult?
 - How do you stay encouraged when the challenges you face are great?
4. What is one way you are expecting God to work in your life this season?