

Luke 1:5-25; 57-80

⁵In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, of the division of Abijah. And he had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. ⁶And they were both righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord. ⁷But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years.



The Savior's Song



⁸Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, ⁹according to the custom of the priesthood, he was chosen by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense. ¹⁰And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense.



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¹¹And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. ¹²And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him.



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¹³But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John.



The Savior's Song



¹⁴And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, ¹⁵for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb.



The Savior's Song



¹⁶And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, ¹⁷and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."



The Savior's Song



¹⁸And Zechariah said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years."



The Savior's Song



¹⁹And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. ²⁰And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time."



The Savior's Song



²¹And the people were waiting for Zechariah, and they were wondering at his delay in the temple. ²²And when he came out, he was unable to speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the temple. And he kept making signs to them and remained mute.



The Savior's Song



²³And when his time of service was ended, he went to his home. ²⁴After these days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she kept herself hidden, saying, ²⁵"Thus the Lord has done for me in the days when he looked on me, to take away my reproach among people."



The Savior's Song



⁵⁷Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. ⁵⁸And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.



The Savior's Song



⁵⁹And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, ⁶⁰but his mother answered, "No; he shall be called John.

⁶¹And they said to her, "None of your relatives is called by this name." ⁶²And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called.



The Savior's Song



⁶³And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And they all wondered. ⁶⁴And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God.



The Savior's Song



⁶⁵And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea, ⁶⁶and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, "What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him.



The Savior's Song



⁶⁷And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,



The Savior's Song



⁶⁸"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has visited and redeemed his people
⁶⁹and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of his servant David,
⁷⁰as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from
of old,



The Savior's Song



⁷¹that we should be saved from our enemies
and from the hand of all who hate us;
⁷²to show the mercy promised to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant,



The Savior's Song



⁷³the oath that he swore to our father Abraham,
to grant us ⁷⁴that we,
being delivered from the hand of our enemies,
might serve him without fear,
⁷⁵in holiness and righteousness
before him all our days.



The Savior's Song



⁷⁶And you, child, will be called
the prophet of the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,



The Savior's Song



⁷⁷to give knowledge of salvation to his people
in the forgiveness of their sins,
⁷⁸because of the tender mercy of our God,



The Savior's Song



whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high
79to give light to those who sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace."



The Savior's Song



⁸⁰And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel.



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Luke 1:5-7

In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, of the division of Abijah. And he had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. 6 And they were both righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord. 7 But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years.



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:8-10

Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, 9 according to the custom of the priesthood, he was chosen by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense. 10 And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense.



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:12

And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and
fear fell upon him.



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:13-15

But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. 14 And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, 15 for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother’s womb.



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:16-17

And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, 17 and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared.



The Savior's Song



Malachi 4:5-6

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. **6** And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers . . .

Malachi 3:1

Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple . . .



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:18

And Zechariah said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years."



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:19-20

And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. 20 And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time."



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:57-61

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. 58 And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. 59 And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father, 60 but his mother answered, "No; he shall be called John." 61 And they said to her, "None of your relatives is called by this name."



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:62-64

And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called. 63 And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." And they all wondered. 64 And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God.



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:68

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel/ for . . .



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:70, 72-73

. . .as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from
of old/ 72. . .and to remember his holy covenant/ 73
the oath that he swore to our father Abraham . . .



The Savior's Song



Luke 1:68-69

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel/ for he has visited
and redeemed his people/ 69 and has raised up a horn
of salvation for us/ in the house of his servant David/



The Savior's Song



Psalm 119:71

It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I might learn
your statutes.



The Savior's Song



Hebrews 12:10-11

. . . but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. 11 For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.



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2 Corinthians 1:20

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him.



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