
SHARING

Hymns (What we're praising God for):

Lessons (What God is teaching us):

Requests (What we're asking God to do):

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Read the passage (Luke 1:67-79) and answer the following questions:

1. What stands out most and why?
2. What does the passage reveal to us about God?
3. What does the passage reveal to us about ourselves?
4. What are the immediate application points?

DEEPER DISCUSSION

1. As we approach the Christmas season, what are some of your family's favorite Christmas traditions?
2. On Sunday Chad reminded us that God had been silent for 400 years between the close of the Old Testament and the birth of Christ. How would that silence affect God's people?
3. What have you had to wait for that seemed impossible? How does that waiting affect your faith?
4. Zechariah sees the birth of his son as a fulfillment of numerous promises by God. Read I Chronicles 17:11-15. How did John the Baptist's birth signal the fulfillment of that promise to David?
5. Zechariah also sees the birth of his son as a fulfillment of the "New Covenant." Read Jeremiah 31:31-34. What is the New Covenant? How is it different from the old? And why is that good news to us?
6. Read John 1:1-8. What was John the Baptist's role in Jesus' arrival? How did he "prepare the way" for Jesus?