QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe the influence of your parents, or some

 other adult, as you were growing up. How did they have an

 influence upon you?

2. In what ways can we have a positive influence on upcoming

 generations?

3. Read the following passages and note what the Bible says about

 making sacrifices in order to fulfill God’s purpose for our life:

 a) Psalm 51:17

b) Proverbs 21:3

c) Matthew 16:24

d) John 15:12-13

e) Romans 12:1-2

f) Ephesians 5:1-2

g) Hebrews 13:15-16

4. What does the prophecy of Zacharias tell us about him?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to share the Gospel with someone this week.
* I am going to invest time in a young person this week.
* I am going to memorize Psalm 51:17.

Cornerstone Church December 4, 2022

Luke 1:67-80 Study Series #006

***The Prophecy of Zacharias***

**I. Introduction**

 A. The Story of Maria Dyer

 (See Philippians 1:21; Luke 1:17)

“As to the harsh judging of the world, or the more painful

misunderstandings of Christian brethren, I generally feel that

the best plan is to go on with our work and leave God to

vindicate our cause.” *Maria Dyer*

 B. The Parents of John

 (See Luke 1:5; Numbers 4:3; Numbers 8:25; Luke 1:7;

 Luke 1:6)

 C. The Vow of John

 (See Luke 1:15; Numbers 6:1-21; Numbers 6:2; Judges 13:1-5;

 I Samuel 2:8-28)

 D. The Life of John

(See Luke 1:66; Isaiah 40:3; Malachi 3:1; Malachi 4:5;

 Numbers 6:1-21; Philippians 3:14; John 1:29; John 1:36)

**II. The Prophecy of Zacharias**

 A. The Inspiration of Zacharias

 (See Luke 1:67; Luke 1:15; Luke 1:41)

 B. The Redemption of God’s People

 (See Luke 1:68-69; Romans 4:17; Psalm 18:2; II Samuel 22:3;

 Deuteronomy 14:5; Isaiah 63:1)

 C. The Fulfillment of Prophecy

 (See Luke 1:70-75; Exodus 13:3; Deuteronomy 7:8;

 Genesis 12:1-3; Genesis 26:3; Genesis 50:24;

 Deuteronomy 9:5; Romans 2:4; I John 4:18)

 D. The Calling of John

 (See Luke 1:76-79; Malachi 3:1; Malachi 4:5; Isiah 40:3;

 Hosea 4:6; Matthew 5:14-16; I Peter 2:19; Psalm 119:105;

 Proverbs 18:21; Matthew 5:9; Galatians 5:22-23;

 Colossians 3:15; Isaiah 9:6)

 E. The Epilogue of John

 (See Luke 1:80; Luke 3:3-6; Isaiah 40:3; Luke 1:17;

 Malachi 4:5; Matthew 11:14; John 1:19-23)

**III. Conclusion**

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please contact the church office and the pastor will contact you.

**Passage of Study**

Luke 1:67-80

**67**And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying: **68**“Blessed *be* the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited us and accomplished redemption for His people, **69**and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of David His servant -
**70**As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from of old -
**71**Salvation from our enemies, and from the hand of all who hate us;
**72**To show mercy toward our fathers, and to remember His holy covenant, **73**The oath which He swore to Abraham our father, **74**To grant us that we, being rescued from the hand of our enemies,
might serve Him without fear, **75**in holiness and righteousness before Him all our days. **76**“And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; For you will go on before the Lord to prepare His ways;
**77**To give to His people *the* knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins, **78**Because of the tender mercy of our God, with which the sunrise from on high will visit us, **79**To shine upon those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.” **80**And the child continued to grow and to become strong in spirit, and he lived in the deserts until the day of his public appearance to Israel.

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