

## A MIRACULOUS BIRTH: JOHN THE BAPTIST

LUKE 1:57-80

Zechariah's \_\_\_\_\_ : Even good people can \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Zechariah's \_\_\_\_\_. Three simultaneous events:

1. People \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Zechariah's mouth \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Neighbors filled with \_\_\_\_\_.

Zechariah's \_\_\_\_\_.

Zechariah's (and Elizabeth's) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Take Home Idea:** \_\_\_\_\_ ! John's miraculous birth is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ on God's promised Savior.

## FURTHER STUDY QUESTIONS

### Opening

- Review Pastor Joel's sermon and Take Home Idea. What struck you about the sermon? What do you have questions about?
- (For Parents) When your first child was born what did you do to celebrate?
- (For non-parents) How would you celebrate that event?

### Dig

- How did John's birth fulfill the words of Gabriel in 1:13-17?
- How did the neighbors and relatives respond to these events? How does all this begin to promote the gospel?
- How does Zechariah's song answer the question the neighbors asked in vs. 66?
- In what ways was "the hand of the Lord with" John in his life?
- Make a list of things Zechariah praises God for?
- What according to this song, is the purpose of salvation?

### Reflect

- How does knowing God's salvation bring you joy? What does that "joy" look like in your life?
- Of the promises listed in Zechariah's song, which one means the most to you right now? Why?
- Close this time by praying together as a family.