

Luke 1:26-80

LW – Intro & Announcement of the birth of John the Baptist

TW – The announcement of the birth of Christ

V26-30

* Map – Nazareth (65 miles north of Jerusalem)

1. Special Calling on Mary - **Luke 1:28** KJV - Hail, thou that art highly favoured (full of Grace), the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. (“The Hail Mary”)

* So is Mary “Blessed” – Absolutely! Here & V42! (Next phrase of “Hail Mary”)

* Unbiblical Teachings – Immaculate Conception, Sinless life & Assumption Of Mary

* Balanced by a Biblical view of Mary

Judges 5:24²⁴“Most blessed among women is Jael, The wife of Heber the Kenite; Blessed is she among women in tents. (Sang in the song of Deborah)

* Taken in context of what Jesus’ says in **Luke 11:27-28**²⁷ And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, “Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!”²⁸ But He said, “More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

1 Tim 2:5⁵ For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,

* “Mary is blessed among women but not above women.” Wiersbe

V31-33

2. Description of Jesus

V31 – Jesus= Gk/Iesous = Heb/Joshua = Jehovah Saves

V32 – The Son of the Highest – hupsistos (Superlative from base of Height)

V32 – Gk-Kurios Theos; Heb-Jehovah Elohim will give/Throne/Father David

V33 – He will reign over the house of Jacob (Israel) forever, His kingdom/No End

Lk 1:1 – a narrative of all those things which have been fulfilled!!!

Isaiah 7:14¹⁴ Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Isaiah 9:6-7⁶ For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

Daniel 2:44⁴⁴ And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.

V34-35

* Mary – How can this thing be?

* Holy Spirit will come upon you – Holy One = Son of God! (Not the son of the Holy Spirit)

* “to write to you an orderly account”...to know the certainty of those things/you/instructed

V36-37

* Mary – a virgin – shall conceive and bear a son – Impossible

* Elizabeth – well advanced in years, conceived in her old age

A – Both cases impossible with man – But with God nothing is impossible!

V38 – Mary’s response? Behold/maidservant/Lord, Let it be to me according to your word!

V39-41

1. The babe – John the Baptist – Babe not fetus, tissue mass

2. Elizabeth – filled w/Holy Spirit – does what...

V42-45

1. Blessed are you...

2. Mother of “My Lord”

V45 – Blessed she who believed! Fulfillment

V46-55 Song of Mary

1. V47 - Mary recognizes HER NEED for a SAVIOR!

2. Listen as SHE places all worship on God, and what He has done for her!

3. He who is mighty, has done great things for me, holy is His name, His mercy, He...

V56 – Mary stayed 3 months

V57-58 – Birth of John the Baptist

V59-60 – John = Gk/Ioannes = Jehovah is a gracious giver

V61-64 – Wrote John – “Sign of Belief” – released; Unity of Godly Marriage!

V64-66 – Hand of the Lord is with him – prayer for all parents

V67-76 – **Zacharias Prophecies!**

1. Blessed is the Lord God of Israel...

2. He has visited, redeemed His people...

3. We should be saved

4. He swore – to grant to us, being delivered...

5. Might serve Him – without fear, in holiness, in righteousness

V77-79 – **The Gospel**

1. To give knowledge of salvation to His people

2. By the remission of their sins

3. Thru the tender mercy of God

4. With which the Dayspring (Dawn/Messiah); From on High; has Visited us!

5. To give light to those who sit in darkness

6. Guide our feet into the way of peace

V80 – Child grew & became strong in the spirit...