

"The Birth of John the Baptist"

Luke 1:57-80

- I. Introduction
- II. The Predicted Birth of John the Baptist
- III. The Announcement to Mary by Gabriel
- IV. The Offering of Praise to God by Elizabeth & Mary
- V. The Birth of John the Baptist

* What's in a name?

A. The "Family Feud" Over the Name of John (1:57-66)

1. Elizabeth and her Relatives (1:57-61)

* Elizabeth's _____ and _____ were _____
for the _____ the Lord had shown her

* On the eighth day they _____ and _____ the child.

* " _____ " came to circumcise the child, and that " _____ " were going to
call him _____

* Elizabeth takes a _____

2. Zacharias speaks up and regains his speech (1:62-64)

* Zacharias writes: His name is _____

* They all _____

* Why was naming the child John such a bone of contention?

3. Public impact of John's name (1:65-66)

* _____ came upon them

* Word _____ like wild fire.

B. The Praise of Zacharias (1:67-79)

* Zacharias was filled with the _____ and _____

* Zacharias _____ God for the _____ Messiah

* Zacharias _____ regarding his son John relative to the Messiah

C. The Preparation of the Prophet (1:80)

* What does this mean to you?