

AM WORKSHEET

Title: Eyewitness Testimony re: John the Baptist—The Herald of Jesus Christ | **Text:** Luke 1:1-25, 57-80; Mal 4:5, 6

Key: “Upon the testimony of two or three witnesses, let every matter be established.” Luke opens his gospel w/two witnesses to the Lord Jesus & His forerunner (herald) John the Baptist.

His overall method is two-fold:

(1) to compile & build up an orderly account of eyewitness testimonies regarding Christ Jesus the Lord; and by the preponderance of reported evidence he has amassed...

(2) to compel you to make the right judgment about Him as the Son of God Incarnate.

1A A HEAVENLY WITNESS RE: JOHN THE BAPTIST—THE HERALD OF JESUS CHRIST

1B The Lord sends His angel Gabriel TO REVEAL the certain conception of John to his father Zacharias, **vv5-12**
Key: *God’s revelation is given to men so they might properly respond to His saving work thru Christ Jesus.*

2B The angel Gabriel emphasizes THE UNIQUENESS OF John’s person & ministry, **vv13-17**
Key: *To ignore the testimony of heaven, prophetic Scripture fulfilled, & Christ’s own words spells our doom.*

3B The angel Gabriel demonstrates POWER TO AUTHENTICATE God’s message in the sign given, **vv18-25**
Key: *The Lord has authenticated His Word countless times! Let us heed His Word to benefit of our souls.*

2A AN EARTHLY WITNESS RE: JOHN THE BAPTIST—THE HERALD OF JESUS CHRIST

1B Zacharias BELIEVES the heavenly witness & NAMES the boy “John” at his birth, **vv57-64**
Key: *Saving faith produces the fruit of obedience to God’s Word.*

2B Zacharias PRAISES GOD FOR the REDEMPTION He is bringing to His people by sending the Christ, **vv65-75**
Key: *Saving faith praises God for redemption in Christ—as its first priority!*

3B Zacharias EMPHASIZES THE FUTURE MINISTRY OF HIS SON John—as The Herald of Christ Jesus, **vv76-80**
Key: *Saving faith prepares the next generation to faithfully serve & obey the Lord.*