Great News! You Have a Purpose! Luke 3:1-6

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People Mentioned in Luke 3:1-6
      A. Roman Emperor
             Tiberius Caesar
       B. Governor of Judea
             Pontius Pilate
       C. Tetrarchs
             Herod (Galilee)
             Phillip (Ituraea and Trachonitis)
             Lysanias (Abilene)
       D. High Priest
             Annas
             Caiaphas
       E. Son of Zechariah
             John
John
      A. Followed
             vs. 2
             God's plan for his life
       B. Went
             vs. 3a
             Where God sent him
       C. Obeyed
             vs. 3b
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Reasons People Won't Make Necessary Changes

Baptism Repentance

He preached

- A. They do not realize there is a problem
- B. They do not understand the complexity of the problem
- C. The problem is not important enough for them to make the needed change(s).
- D. They understand there is a problem, they understand the complexity of the problem, yet they just don't care.

The Gospel Message

- A. God's perfect creation
- B. Man messed it up
- C. Jesus was sent to redeem
- D. How will you respond?

John's Purpose

"He was like the herald who went before the royal procession to make sure the roads were ready for the king." –Warren Wiersbe

Our Purpose

To prepare our communities, our cities, our states, our nations and the world for their encounter with Jesus, whether that encounter be through death or His 2^{nd} coming.