

The Story of Christmas

The Miracle Births

Luke 1 The Birth of John

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Opening Thoughts

Christmas is not just a celebration of the birth of Jesus but the coming of the Savior of the world. The time of Jesus birth was just the beginning of the Christmas story. We are still living in the Christmas story today.

Luke 1:15–17; Malachi 3:1; Malachi 4:5–6; Luke 1:36–37 ESV

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Luke 1:41–43; Luke 1:67; Luke 1:76–79 ESV

The Holy Spirit's Witness of John's Ministry

1. **To prepare the way of the Lord.**
2. **To give the knowledge of salvation to his people.**
3. **To realize their forgiveness of sins through Christ.**
4. **To show the tender mercies of our God.**
5. **To give light to those who sit in darkness.**
6. **To guide our feet into the way of peace.**

John is filled with the Holy Spirit.

Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit.

Zechariah is filled with the Holy Spirit.

When the Holy Spirit comes upon you there is a very specific work he does through you.

1. **We prepare people for the coming of the Lord.**

2. **We share the knowledge of salvation.**
3. **We declare God's forgiveness and mercy.**
4. **We shine light to the darkness.**
5. **We guide people into the way of peace.**

Closing Thoughts:

**Many times, God proves a miraculous birth with a miraculous birth.
Your new birth in Christ is proof of the Christmas story.**

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does through you.**