

## **"The Promise Of God"**

### **The Birth Of The Messiah!**

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I. Luke's preface and the introduction of John and Jesus (1:1—2:52)

A. Preface: Luke carefully builds on precedent (1:1-4)

B. Infancy narrative: forerunner and fulfillment (1:5—2:40)

1. Announcement to Zechariah (1:5—25)

2. Announcement to Mary (1:26—38)

3. Meeting of Mary and Elizabeth (1:39—45)

4. Mary's praise: the Magnificat (1:46—56)

5. Birth of John (1:57—66)

6. Zechariah's praise: the Benedictus (1:67—80)

7. Birth of Jesus (2:1—7)

8. Reaction to the birth (2:8—21)

"fulfilled" is crucial in Luke at 1:15, 23, 41, 57, 67; 2:6, 21, 22; 4:28; 5:7, 26; 6:11; 21:22; used a total of twenty-two times in Luke—Acts out of twenty-four times in the NT!