

DO WE REALLY KNOW HIM?



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LUKE 1:68-2:49

JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY TO GOD.

Believe the witness of Zechariah.

Believe the witness of the Angel.

Believe the witness of Simeon.

Believe the witness of 12 year old Jesus.



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RENEWAL QUESTIONS: Why is it important to know about the Christians who came before us? How do these stories of faithfulness impact our own faith? This week we hear from four witnesses in Scripture: Zechariah, the angel at Jesus' birth, Simeon, and 12-year-old Jesus. Which witness testimony stands out to you most and why? What do we learn about Jesus from these four witnesses? Why do we believe that Jesus is the only way to God? Discuss the implications of veering from this belief. This week, reflect on your relationship with Jesus and your belief in who He is. Considering this, how might you seek God's mission over your own comfort?

Today's message:
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LUKE 1:67-74

⁶⁷ And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

⁶⁸ “Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has visited and redeemed his people

⁶⁹ and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David,

⁷⁰ as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

⁷¹ that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us;

⁷² to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant,

⁷³ the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us

⁷⁴ that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear,

LUKE 2:8-13

⁸ And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰

And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

LUKE 2:28-32

²⁸ he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

²⁹ “Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;

³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation

³¹ that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”

LUKE 2:33-35

³³ And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵ (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

LUKE 2:46-49

⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.” ⁴⁹ And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?”

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