(1) Getting Started	(3) Questions?
 Prayer Requests Leader: Take prayer requests and spend time as a group in prayer, either at the beginning or ending of the meeting. 	 Read Malachi 3:1; Malachi 4:5-6 Discuss What do these verses in Malachi tell us "Elijah" will do?
 Scripture Memory Can anyone recite Luke 1:4 or any other verses that we have memorized this semester? Note To Leaders First Trimester ends on Dec 14 Second Trimester beings on Jan 5 Discuss your group's meeting schedule in light of the holidays 	 Read Isaiah 40:3-5 Discuss These are the verses Luke says John came to fulfill in Luke 3. What do they describe him doing? What does this mean? Read John 1:19-23 Discuss John clearly states that he is not Elijah. But in what sense does he come in the "power" and "spirit" of Elijah?
(2) Read Scripture	(4) Application
 Read Luke 1:5-25 Discuss What struck you about this passage? Did this sermon bring up any new insights for you? If so, what were they? 	 Application We would imagine that Elizabeth prayed for a child for decades, but didn't get a response from God until she was well-beyond her childbearing years. Have you ever received a delayed answer to prayer? If so, what was it? Why do you think God's answer was delayed? If you are still waiting on an answer to prayer, would you mind sharing what the prayer is with the group? How does knowing the character of God from this account encourage you as you wait for His response? Memorize Luke 1:25