

## **ELIZABETH'S SONG**

**LUKE 1:38-45**

**12-10-23**

### **I. ELIZABETH'S CONFESSION**

*Luke 1:42-43 - "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! <sup>43</sup> And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me?"*

- 1. Elizabeth encourages Mary**
- 2. She declares that Jesus is God**
  - This was HER Savior

### **II. JOHN'S RESPONSE**

*Luke 1:44 - "For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy."*

- 1. John responds in joy**
- 2. Joy is the natural response to God answering prayer**
- 3. Salvation always brings joy**

### **III. MARY'S BELIEF**

*Luke 1:45 - "And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord."*

- 1. Mary was "satisfied" (blessed) in her belief**
- 2. She believed that God would keep His promises**

## COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What did you think about the message this week? What stood out to you or challenged your thinking?
2. Why do you think that God chose to announce Jesus' birth with songs?
3. What do the miraculous pregnancies of Mary and Elizabeth teach us about the power of God?
4. What can we learn from baby John's response to Jesus?
5. What are some ways that God is a source of joy for you? How do you express this joy to God and others?
6. Elizabeth worships God with her song and it inspires joy in her baby. How does worship encourage and inspire joy in you today? How can your worship inspire others to Joy?
7. Why is it important for us to remember that God keeps His promises?
8. What are some of God's promises to us in Scripture? Why are these easy for us to forget?
9. Mary was clinging to God's Word and promises in faith that they would not fail and that they would be fulfilled. How does remembering that God's Word never fails help you to surrender to God's plan in the surprise twists and turns of life?
10. Even though Mary and Elizabeth didn't fully understand God's promise...they still praised God! How can you praise God right now for some unfulfilled promise or some aspect of His work in the world that you don't yet understand?