



*God Remembers*

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- Luke 1:5-20







# 1. Why Me?

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- Priests served on rotation basis.
- Unique occasion - special roles allocated by lot.
- “Zechariah” = “God Remembers”.

## 2. Don't Despise Your Heritage.

**2 Chronicles 24:20** *Then the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah son of Jehoiada the priest. He stood before the people and said, "This is what God says: Why do you disobey the LORD's commands and keep yourselves from prospering? You have abandoned the LORD, and now he has abandoned you!"*

**Zechariah 24:22b** *Zechariah's last words as he died were, "May the LORD see what they are doing and avenge my death!"*

OT prophet Zechariah has most frequent prophecies about Jesus (after Isaiah).

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- Angel's revelation  
Zechariah 3:1-9



**Zechariah 9:9** *Rejoice, O people of Zion. Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey—riding on a donkey's colt.*

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### 3. More than Expected.

**Luke 1:12-13** *Zechariah was shaken and overwhelmed with fear when he saw him. But the angel said, “Don’t be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer. Your wife, Elizabeth, will give you a son, and you are to name him John.*



**Luke 1:14-15a** *You will have great joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great in the eyes of the Lord.*

**Luke 1: 15b** . *He must never touch wine or other alcoholic drinks. He will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even before his birth.*

**Luke 1:17** *He will be a man with the spirit and power of Elijah. He will prepare the people for the coming of the Lord. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and he will cause those who are rebellious to accept the wisdom of the godly.”*

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# 4. Do You Believe?

- How can I be sure?
- Unbelief binds up.
- Belief frees up.

**Luke 2:76-77** *“And you, my little son, will be called the prophet of the Most High, because you will prepare the way for the Lord. You will tell his people how to find salvation through forgiveness of their sins.*”

How do we prepare the way for the Lord to do  
what He wants to do in 2024?