

Jesus, Horn of Salvation (The Song of Zechariah)

Luke 1:57-80

Key Verse: 1:68,69

1. Read verses 57-66. What did it mean to Zechariah and Elizabeth to have a son? Why did they insist that their son be named "John?" Why had Zechariah been unable to speak? What did he say when his speech was restored?
2. Read verses 67-68. What did Zechariah prophesy? Why did he praise God? What does "he has come and redeemed his people" mean?
3. Read verse 69-70. What does "horn" mean? (See NIV footnote, Daniel 8, and 2Sa 22:3) Why does he call Jesus "the horn of salvation"? Why "raised up in the house of David"? (2 Sa 7:16) What did God say through his prophets? (Isa 9:6-7)
4. Read verse 71. From what does the horn of salvation save us? Who is our enemy? (Eph 6:12) What happens when we are pierced by Satan's horn? (Rev 12:3,9) Read verses 72-73. What oath did God swear to Abraham? (Ge 22:18) How did he fulfill it?
5. Read verses 74-75. What two things has God done for us through the horn of salvation? How are they related? (Col 1:13) What does "enable" suggest? (Ro 7:18)
6. Read verses 76-77. What was to be the mission of Zechariah's son?
7. Read verses 77-79. What reveals God's tender mercy? What is the salvation which he gives? What does Jesus the Rising Sun do? With what result?