

"In Remembrance Of His Mercy"

Luke 1: 5 - 24

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God Has Acted In Remembrance Of His Mercy Promised To His People, (vs. 1: 54 - 55)

- God revealed to the barren the birth of the one who would go before the Child of mercy, (vs. 5 - 24)

- A. God has promised mercy to those who are barren & reproached but live in righteousness, (vs. 5 - 17); *"But to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. ""And her rival used to provoke her grievously to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. ""So it went on year by year. As often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. ""And Elkanah, her husband, said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? And why do you not eat? And why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?""(1 Samuel 1:5-8 ESV)*
- B. God is merciful unto those who struggle with unbelief, (vs. 18 - 24); *"Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed and said to himself, "Shall a child be born to a man who is a hundred years old? Shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a child?" ""And Abraham said to God, "Oh that Ishmael might live before you!" ""God said, "No, but Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name Isaac. I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his offspring after him."(Genesis 17:17-19 ESV)*

- God foretold to the pure the birth of the Child who would bring mercy, (vs. 25 - 38)
- God prompted the declaration of the Child of mercy in the humblest of servants, (vs. 39 - 56)
- God brought about the promised birth of the one who prepared the way for the Child of Mercy, (vs. 57 - 80)
- God brought about the promised birth of the Child of mercy unnoticed by the world, (vs. 2: 1 - 7)
- God revealed the birth of the Child of mercy to those who were unacceptable in the world, (vs. 8 - 20)
- God demonstrated His faithfulness to bring about the reign of the Child of mercy over His people, (vs. 21 - 38)