

## GO DEEPER

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What big patterns (parallels, contrasts, themes, OT references, etc.) do you see?

Where are all the places God makes and/or keeps promises?

### Focus on Luke 1:57-66

Why is Elizabeth having a son described as God having mercy on her?

What role does community play in this story?

How are both Zach & Liz obedient to God? What did they risk by being obedient?

Why do you think Zach's mouth was opened when it was?

What does vs 66 reveal about how God sometimes decides to work?

### Focus on Luke 1:67-79

Compare and contrast Zechariah's song with Mary's song (46-55)

What main theme(s) do you see in this song?

What Old Testament references and allusions do you see?

How does this song tell the story of God's salvation beginning to end?

What does this song teach us about God? About us? About the world?

**Reflect on the Sermon:** Pastor Adam talked about Abraham, David, & the Prophets and how Jesus was the fulfillment of God's big plan from the beginning.

Was this big story from Abraham on new or familiar to you? Explain

Why does it matter that Jesus wasn't plan B, that God always had just

one plan of salvation from beginning to end?

### Consider your own life:

Pastor Adam said that God Keeps His Word.

Is this easy or hard for you to believe? Why?

How does knowing the big story of scripture help us believe this?

How does knowing Jesus as The Word help us to believe this?

Where specifically do you need to trust in a word from God?

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