

Bible Verse of the Day, Dec. 21st: Advent Season, Luke 1:67-80

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The Prophecy of Zechariah

His father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for He has visited and redeemed His people,
and has raised up a horn of salvation for us
in the house of His servant David,
as He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets of long ago,
that we should be saved from our enemies
and from the hand of all who hate us,
to perform the mercy promised to our fathers
and to remember His holy covenant,
the oath which He swore to our father Abraham,
to grant us that we, being delivered out of the hand of our
enemies,
might serve Him without fear,
in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our
lives.

“And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Highest;
for you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His
ways,
to give knowledge of salvation to His people
by the remission of their sins,
through the tender mercy of our God,
whereby the sunrise from on high has visited us;
to give light to those who sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death,

to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he remained in the wilderness until the day of his appearance to Israel.

Prophetic Confirmation

When prophets minister, confirmation will be the result. The saints will be “steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord” (1 Cor. 15:58). It was necessary for Judas and Silas to minister confirmation to this particular church because of false teaching. The souls of the saints were being subverted (Acts 15:24), which means they were being overturned or overthrown from their foundation, weakened or ruined by degrees. They had become destabilized. When saints are unstable, they will not abound in the work of the Lord. After they received prophetic ministry, these churches were established in the faith. They were made firm and strengthened concerning their salvation. {eoa}

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