



## #2 Zechariah's Song

*Luke 1:67-79 (ESV)*

**Isaiah 40:9 (ESV)** *Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!"*

### **THE BENEDICTUS**

*Luke 1:68-79*

*"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 from of old,*

*that we should be saved from our enemies  
and from the hand of all who hate us;  
to show the mercy promised to our fathers  
and to remember his holy covenant,  
the oath that he swore to our father Abraham,  
to grant us that we,  
being delivered from the hand of our enemies,  
might serve him without fear,  
in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.*

*And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,  
to give knowledge of salvation to his people  
in the forgiveness of their sins,  
because of the tender mercy of our God,  
whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high  
to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of  
death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."*

*— Zechariah, father of John the Baptist*

1. **ZECHARIAH WORSHIPED GOD** *"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel..."*
  
2. **ZECHARIAH SAW GOD'S ACTIVITY BEHIND HIS CIRCUMSTANCES** *"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel for he has visited and redeemed his people..."*
  
3. **ZECHARIAH MARVELED AT GOD'S COVENANT FAITHFULNESS TO HIS PEOPLE**
  - A. **The Covenant with DAVID** – *II Samuel.7:16; Psalm 89:3*  
*(He) 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 from of old*
  
  - B. **The Covenant with ABRAHAM** – *Genesis 12:1-3; 15:1-18; 17:1-8*  
*...and to remember his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our father Abraham*
  
  - C. **The NEW Covenant** – *Jeremiah 31:31-34; Ezekiel 36:24-26*  
*And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins*