

Call Him John

Luke 1:57-80

Harmony of the Gospels

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The Harmony of the Gospels offers a comparative study chart for Matthew, Mark, Luke and John's Gospel accounts. Categorized by subjects, this study resource allows quick, side-by-side viewing of what each apostle recorded in each of the four Gospels.

Subjects	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Pre-Christ Narratives				
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•Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son. ⁵⁸ And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.





 And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father,





But his mother answered, "No; he shall be called John."

At this point, can John hear her?





 And they said to her, "None of your relatives is called by this name."





 And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called.





•And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John."





And they all wondered.

[How he said the same thing she said.]





•And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke,

blessing God.

This is the only time the AV translates $\epsilon \dot{\nu} \lambda o \gamma \dot{\epsilon} \omega$ as 'praise' instead of blessing.

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Do I do this? Do you do this?

Luke 24:53



•And were continually in the temple praising God.

This will come up over and over again in Luke





•And fear came on all their neighbors.

And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea,





- •And all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, "What then will this child be?"
- •For the hand of the Lord was with him.

What is the answer to the question:

"What then will this child be?"

We can answer this Tibes question in and out of the pericope?

Look @ v.76





•And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

Matthew 11:10



•This is he of whom it is written, "'Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you.'

Luke 1:17



 And he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."

John is the one man God chose as the single messenger (prophet), whose job it was through preaching to ready a people for the arrival of the Daniel 9:25-26 Messiah—the Lord Jesus Christ.





•And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

Luke 1:68



•"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited



Under the divine inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Zechariah prophetically ascribes to Jesus the divine title of the Lord God of Israel





•"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people



Redeem

to free from what distresses or harms: as

a: to free from captivity by payment of ransom

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What is the historical context to the idea of redemption?

Y^ahōvâ—the Lord God of Israel redeemed His people from bondage in Egypt

y^ahôšûa'-the Lord God of Israel redeemed His people from...



Joshua or Jehoshua

"Jehovah is salvation"

What are we freed from?

What is the currency used for the payment?

Who is the payment given to:





•And has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David,



How is 'horn' being used in v. 69? "horn of salvation"

Romans 1:16



•For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it [the gospel] is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.





•As he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,





 On that day I will cause a horn to spring up for the house of Israel, and I will open your lips among them. Then they will know that I am the LORD."





•That we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us;





Look back @

Jeremiah 33:14-16





•To show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant,

The Gospel is the greatest manifestation of the MERCY of God.

The Gospel permits God to be just and the justifier of all who believe.



Look @ v. 73

See the connection points





•The oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us

Something (as a promise) corroborated by an oath

Merriam-Webster

68 "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people 69 and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David, 70 as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, 71 that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us; 72 to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, 73 the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us



What happens in Genesis 18?





 That we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear,

What would every Jew have been thinking about who heard "delivered from the hand of our enemies"?

Two Thoughts:

- 1) Jesus commands His followers to love their enemies.
- 2) Paul tells us that the last enemy to be destroyed is _____.





 In holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

To serve God in holiness and righteousness is our present day goal.





 To give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins,

Luke 3:3



•And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Luke 24:46-47



 And said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

Acts 5:31



•God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.

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What must be repented of in order to be a recipient of the forgiveness of sins?

Acts 10:43



•To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him

receives forgiveness of sins through his name."



Turn to

Acts 13:38-39





- And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
- for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

Luke 1:78



 Because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high

> Malachi 4:2





•But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.





•To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Matthew 4:16



 The people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned."





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



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