

“In Remembrance Of His Mercy”

Luke 1: 57 - 80

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

- **God brought about the promised birth of the one who prepared the way for the Child of Mercy, (vs. 57 - 80)**
 - A. God’s promises fulfilled stand as a testimony of His faithfulness that is modeled for His children, (vs. 57 - 66);
“though I myself have reason for confidence in the flesh also. If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—” (Philippians 3:4-9, ESV)

 - B. God’s promises fulfilled point to the ultimate consummation of God’s word to redeem His people, (vs. 67 - 80);
“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials,” (1 Peter 1:3-6, ESV)

- 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)