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Life Disrupted

Songs Of The Savior

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Luke 1:5 When Herod was king of Judea, there was a Jewish priest named Zechariah. He was a member of the priestly order of Abijah, and his wife, Elizabeth, was also from the priestly line of Aaron. **6** Zechariah and Elizabeth were righteous in God's eyes, careful to obey all of the Lord's commandments and regulations. **7** They had no children because Elizabeth was unable to conceive, and they were both very old. *(NLT)*

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Luke 1:11 While Zechariah was in the sanctuary, an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing to the right of the incense altar. **12** Zechariah was shaken and overwhelmed with fear when he saw him. **13** But the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer. Your wife, Elizabeth, will give you a son, and you are to name him John. **14** You will have great joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, **15** for he will be great in the eyes of the Lord. He must never touch wine or other alcoholic drinks. He will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even before his birth. **16** And he will turn many Israelites to the Lord their God. **17** He will be a man with the spirit and power of Elijah. He will prepare the people for the coming of the Lord. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and he will cause those who are rebellious to accept the wisdom of the godly." *(NLT)*

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Isaiah 41:10 Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand. *(NLT)*

Luke 1:18 Zechariah said to the angel, "How can I be sure this will happen? I'm an old man now, and my wife is also well along in years." **19** Then the angel said, "I am Gabriel! I stand in the very presence of God. It was he who sent me to bring you this good news! **20** But now, since you didn't believe what I said, you will be silent and unable to speak until the child is born. For my words will certainly be fulfilled at the proper time."
21 Meanwhile, the people were waiting for Zechariah to come out of the sanctuary, wondering why he was taking so long.
22 When he finally did come out, he couldn't speak to them. Then they realized from his gestures and his silence that he must have seen a vision in the sanctuary. **23** When Zechariah's week of service in the Temple was over, he returned home. **24** Soon afterward his wife, Elizabeth, became pregnant and went into seclusion for five months. **25** "How kind the Lord is!" she exclaimed. "He has taken away my disgrace of having no children." *(NLT)*

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Luke 1:39 A few days later Mary hurried to the hill country of Judea, to the town **40** where Zechariah lived. She entered the house and greeted Elizabeth. **41** At the sound of Mary's greeting, Elizabeth's child leaped within her, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. **42** Elizabeth gave a glad cry and exclaimed to Mary, "God has blessed you above all women, and your child is blessed. **43** Why am I so honored, that the mother of my Lord should visit me? **44** When I heard your greeting, the baby in my womb jumped for joy. **45** You are blessed because you believed that the Lord would do what he said." *(NLT)*

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Isaiah 40:29 He gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless. **30** Even youths will become weak and tired, and young men will fall in exhaustion. **31** But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint. *(NLT)*

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Luke 1:57 When it was time for Elizabeth's baby to be born, she gave birth to a son. **58** And when her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had been very merciful to her, everyone rejoiced with her. **59** When the baby was eight days old, they all came for the circumcision ceremony. They wanted to name him Zechariah, after his father. **60** But Elizabeth said, "No! His name is John!" **61** "What?" they exclaimed. "There is no one in all your family by that name." **62** So they used gestures to ask the baby's father what he wanted to name him. **63** He motioned for a writing tablet, and to everyone's surprise he wrote, "His name is John." **64** Instantly Zechariah could speak again, and he began praising God. **65** Awe fell upon the whole neighborhood, and the news of what had happened spread throughout the Judean hills. **66** Everyone who heard about it reflected on these events and asked, "What will this child turn out to be?" For the hand of the Lord was surely upon him in a special way. *(NLT)*

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John 1:24 Then the Pharisees who had been sent **25** asked him, "If you aren't the Messiah or Elijah or the Prophet, what right do you have to baptize?" **26** John told them, "I baptize with water, but right here in the crowd is someone you do not recognize. *(NLT)*

John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! *(NLT)*

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John 3:16 "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." *(NLT)*

1 John 1:16 We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. **17** And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world. **18** Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we have not fully experienced his perfect love. **19** We love each other because he loved us first. **20** If someone says, "I love God," but hates a fellow believer, that person is a liar; for if we don't love people we can see, how can we love God, whom we cannot see? *(NLT)*

Romans 5:3 We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. **4** And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. **5** And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love. **6** When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. **7** Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. **8** But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. **9** And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation. **10** For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. **11** So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God. *(NLT)*

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Ephesians 5:1 Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. **2** Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us *[you]* and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God. *(NLT)*