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Main Idea: We must point to Jesus, the Source of hope.

## **Breaking the Ice**

• What are some things that most point to Christmas in your mind?

## **Excavating the Truth**

- Reread Luke 1:67–79
- How does the lineage recorded in verse 5 demonstrate that Zacharias is not speaking about his newborn son in verse 69?

 What various implications of salvation does Zacharias list in verses 77–79?

Applying the Truth Personally	
•	How does Zacharias' prayer of praise help me appreciate my salvation more fully?
•	In what ways have I been most affective pointing people to Jesus in 2025? How can I increase my impact in 2026?
Αp	plying the Truth Congregationally
•	In what ways has our church been most affective pointing people to Jesus in 2025? How can we increase our impact in 2026?

What can our LG do to increase the awe of our salvation in 2026

so that we "might serve Him without fear" (verse 74)?

<u>Digging Deeper</u>	
•	In what ways did John the Baptist fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah 40:3?
•	Using a Bible with cross-references, look up all the OT allusions and quotations you find in Luke 1:68–79. How do these OT references enrich your understanding of Zacharias' prayer?
Looking Ahead	
•	Establish a personal Bible reading plan for 2026 that you will begin on January 1.

Pray for a specific person you want an opportunity to share the

gospel with in 2026.