



**SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM
FOR THE SERMON
PREACHED: November 25, 2016
PASSAGE: Luke 1: 1-25**

Supernatural: When God Changed The Impossible and How He Can Do The Same For You

The God Who Never Forgets His People
5 Commitments I Need When I Feel Forgotten by God

1. Read: Luke 1:1-25 and review your sermon notes from this passage. Zechariah and Elizabeth had been unable to have children, and were now both old. It might have appeared to them that God had forgotten them. Discuss a time when you felt forgotten by God or felt God did not show up. Read: Luke: 10:40. Why was Martha distracted, worried and anxious? How do you relate to Martha? What things have been distractions from God?

Read: Luke 1:4 Luke wanted Theophilus to be certain of what he had been taught. Do a word study on 'certainty.'

i.e. Phil 4:6-7, Mt 6: 25-34, Heb. 13:5. How would remembering these verses in uncertain times help you in those situations?

Note: The next time you feel uncertain if God has remembered you, be certain in the promises of God.

2. Read: Luke 1:5-10 How do you see God's sovereign will that would lead to great encouragement to Zechariah and Elizabeth? When have you felt discouraged and impatient, but looking back can see God's hand at work? How did you handle it? Read: Ps 37:7, James 5:7-8, Ps 27:14 and discuss why we need to train ourselves to wait for the Lord's perfect timing?

3. Read Luke 1:11-17. Discuss Zechariah's fear... of the angel, perhaps of the prophecy about John, or of the radical way his prayer was being answered. How can you relate? Read the following promises of God regarding fear: 2Tim 1:7, Deut 31:8 Heb 13:5-6. How does knowing these promises help you in a time of fear?

4. Discuss why Zechariah doubted in Luke 1:18-23.
Read: James 1:6-8, Mat. 14:31, 21:21; what is the remedy for doubt?

5. Discuss a time when you felt overwhelmed?
Read: Luke 1:25. What was Elizabeth's response to God removing the barrenness that overwhelmed her? Read: Phil: 2:17-18, 3:1 4:4 and discuss why we can choose to rejoice when we seem overwhelmed?

Memory Verse: Deut 31:8 "It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed."

Break-out: We have looked at the promise of God to never forget His people. We've discussed times when we felt 1. Distracted. 2. Discouraged. 3. Afraid. 4. Doubtful and 5. Overwhelmed.
Discuss how you are going to train your mind next time one of these 5 feelings surfaces, or discuss what feeling you are currently working through?