

HIGHLANDS CHURCH

The Birth of John the Baptist

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God fulfills His promises in His time and in His way, not according to our preferred timeline or methods

2 Peter 3:8-9

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I think it's pretty easy to take our eyes off of Christ and put them into our calendar in fear that we might miss something that we RSVP'd yes for.

at 0:23

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In the meantime, we ought to be found faithful like Zechariah and Elizabeth, even among a faithless generation

Galatians 5:22-23

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Barren women, couples who cannot get pregnant, even though they're trying and even though they're seeking the Lord, it's the perfect opportunity for God's strength to show up in our own human weakness.

at 13:56

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When God shows up, it's Christ who gets the glory — not our own efforts or righteousness

Luke 1:64

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Even the names themselves tell the story of what's going on in the birth of Zachariah.

at 19:43

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Like the Israelites awaiting the Messiah, we live in anticipation of Christ's return with our eyes fixed on heaven

Revelation 22:20

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The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promises, as some count slowness, but is patient towards you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

at 32:33