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Sermon Notes for December 3rd

“Preparing the Way”

Sermon Text: **Luke 1:5-25 (p. 1087)**; Old Testament Text: **Isaiah 40:1-5 (p. 762)**; New Testament Text: **Colossians 1:15-20 (p. 1251)**.

Read **Luke 1:5-25 (p. 1087)** while listening to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

1. Read **Luke 1:5-7 (p. 1087)**. From whom were Zechariah and Elizabeth descended?

What kind of standing did Zechariah and Elizabeth have with the Lord?

Why had they never had children?

2. Read **Luke 1:8-10 (p. 1087)**. What duty was Zechariah performing on this day?

What were the people outside doing while Zechariah carried out his duty?

How was what the people were doing outside connected to what Zechariah was doing?

3. Read **Luke 1:11-13 (p. 1087)**. Who appeared to Zechariah?

How did Zechariah react to his appearance?

How do you think you would have reacted?

Summarize what the angel said in **v. 13**.

What name were they to call their son?

What did this name mean?

4. Read **Luke 1:14-17 (pp. 1087-1088)**. List four things this passage tells us John will do.

In whose spirit and power will John move?

What is John's primary duty?

5. Read **Luke 1:18-20 (p. 1088)**. How did Zechariah react to the angel's proclamation?

What is the angel's name?

Why was he upset with Zechariah's reaction?

What did Zechariah's doubts cause the angel to do?

6. Read **Luke 1:21-23 (p. 1088)**. What were the people wondering about Zechariah?

What did the people believe had happened to Zechariah?

What did Zechariah do when his time of service was up?

7. Read **Luke 1:24-25 (p. 1088)**. Why do you think Elizabeth stayed at home for five months?

Explain what Elizabeth is saying in **verse 25**.

8. What will you remember most from this message?