

## Unlikely Stars Zacharias & Elizabeth

Through the story of Jesus' birth, we will look at an unlikely cast of characters in a drama with ripple effects that only God could put in motion. And, discover that our life has God's casting fingerprints all over it. Because God loves using the ordinary to accomplish extraordinary things.

### **Our Story is woven into HIS-STORY: Luke 1 & 2; Matthew 1 & 2 (In chronological order):**

Luke 1:1-56 - Matthew 1:18-25 - Luke 1:57-80 - Luke 2:1-38 - Matthew 2:1-22 -  
Luke 2:39-40 - Matthew 2:23

### **Luke 1 – After 400 years of silence an angel appears**

Zacharias – An Aging Priest

His Character

What was his role in the temple?

What has Zacharias prayed for?

How others viewed him?

How did this affect his actions?

Result of his unbelief?

How is Zacharias restored?

Elizabeth – Barren and now in her old age. Also descended from Aaron's line

Character

How others viewed her (and she viewed herself)?

How might this affect her actions?

How is Elizabeth restored?

How does God's perfect timing affect Zacharias and Elizabeth?

Does this give you hope in a situation you are experiencing?

### **Ponder These Things:**

God sees the bigger picture

He is never late; His timing is perfect

Despite our circumstances, remain faithful and believe

Trust what when answers come, God's purpose will unfold

Romans 8:28 – All things work together for good...