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Luke 1:57-66

Zechariah's priestly order was on duty in the temple. There were 24 orders that rotated, offering sacrifices, and burning incense in the holy places. There were so many priests that this was likely Zachariah's only opportunity to serve. And what should happen? An angel appeared, giving him Abraham-sized baby news, and his disbelief ends in a quiet nine months for Elizabeth! He was mute, waiting for the baby's birth. The baby comes, Zechariah names him John, and miraculously his tongue is freed!

The story of Zachariah's healing foreshadows the work that Jesus came to do for all people. Zachariah made mistakes, just like we all do. In the end, he learned from them, turning from his disbelief to trust and obedience.

Zechariah became a part of the redemptive story of God through the births of his son John and Mary's son Jesus. Jesus came to heal the lame, the deaf, the blind. When the kingdom of God comes, the people of God are freed!

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