Questions on Luke chapter 1

1. Who were the eyewitnesses who delivered “the things most surely believed”? Verses 1-2.

2. What was Luke’s stated purpose in writing to Theophilus? Verses 3-4.

3. What is the significance of the fact that Elisabeth was “of the daughters of Aaron”? Verses 5-6.

4. What duty was Zacharias performing in the temple of the Lord? Verses 7-9.

5. What may we infer from the fact that the multitude was present and praying? Verse 10.

6. What happened to Zacharias that caused him to be troubled and afraid? Verses 11-12.

7. For what had Zacharias been praying evidently? Verse 13.

8. Who named the son that would be born? Verses 13-14.

9. Can you name three things that would be qualities of Zacharias’ son? Verses 15-16.

10. Do you think the coming of John was a fulfilment of Malachi 3:1 and Malachi 4:6? Verse 17.

11. What was John sent “to make ready”? Verse 17.

12. In what way did Zacharias show his unbelief and what sign was given that was also a punishment? Verses 18-20.

13. How did John make known that he had seen a vision? Verses 21-22.

14. Did Zacharias give up on his week of service since he couldn’t speak? Verse 23.

15. What reproach did Elisabeth consider having been taken away by the conception of John? Verses 24-25.

16. How does verse 26 teach us that John was six months older than Jesus? Verse 26.

17. How serious was the espousal (betrothal) in Jesus’ day? Verse 27. (See Matthew 1:19)

18. Mary was troubled or surprised at Gabriel’s appearance, but did she ask for a sign as Zacharias did? Verses 28-29.

19. Who named the predicted son of Mary? Verses 30-31.

20. Can you name four things Gabriel predicted concerning Jesus? Verses 32-33.

21. Was the Holy Ghost the father of Jesus or was He simply the agent of God? Verses 34-35.

22. Although Mary did not ask for a sign, what sign was given her? Verses 36-37.

23. Whom does Mary remind you of in her obedient acceptance of God’s will? Verse 38.

24. Who was the one person who could best understand the innocence and condition of Mary? Verse 39.

25. What miraculous manifestation proved that John was “filled with the Holy Ghost” from his mother’s womb? Verses 40-41. (See Luke 1:15)

26. What miraculous manifestation confirmed that Elizabeth was also “filled with the Holy Ghost”? Verses 42-44.

27. According to Elizabeth, what will be Mary’s reward for believing? Verse 45.

28. What is Mary’s song called, based upon the first word of the Latin translation? Verse 46.

29. In the first section of her song, she speaks of being blessed in her motherhood. Does this mean she is to be worshipped? Verses 47-48.

30. In this second section, what three qualities of God does Mary glorify? Verses 49-50.

31. In the third division of the song, what changes would the Messiah make? Verses 51-53.

32. In the final part of the song, what expression of gratitude is rendered to God? Verses 54-55.

33. What incident marked the return of Mary to her home? Verses 56-57.

34. When were male babies named and what name did the neighbors and kinsfolk choose? Verses 58-59.

35. Why did Elizabeth insist that the child should be called John? Verses 60-61. (See Luke 1:13)

36. What indicates that Zacharias was both deaf and mute? Verses 62-63.

37. Why was Zacharias’ speech restored at this time? Verse 64.

38. What put the fear of God in the residents of that area? Verses 65-66.

39. What miraculous manifestation of the Holy Spirit was exercised by Zacharias? Verse 67.

40. From what word in this verse does this hymn receive the name Benedictus? Verse 68.

41. How had God “visited” after an absence of four hundred years? Verses 68-70.

42. To what covenant and oath does this refer? Verses 71-73. (See Genesis 12:1-3)

43. How were they to serve God? Verses 74-75.

44. What would John come to be called? Verse 76.

45. What was John’s relationship to the Lord and how was he to give knowledge of salvation? Verses 76-77.

46. How is Christ’s coming pictured in this verse? Alternatively, what is “the dayspring from on high”? Verse 78.

47. What is the purpose of the dayspring as seen in this verse? Verse 79.

48. What was “the day of His showing unto Israel”? Verse 80.