**Sermon Outline** First Baptist Church

December 10, 2017 (Morning)

“Zacharias’ Prophecy”

**Luke 1:67-80**

**I. Zacharias praises God for providing redemption for His people (vs. 68-75).**

A. God accomplished salvation through the house of David (69).

B. God accomplished salvation in order to fulfill His promises (70).

C. God accomplished salvation in order to save His people from their enemies (71).

D. God accomplished salvation in order to demonstrate His mercy (72).

E. God accomplished salvation in order to keep His covenant (73).

F. God accomplished salvation so that He might redeem a people for Himself (74-75).

(Leviticus 26:11-12; Deuteronomy 33:17; 2 Samuel 22:1-3; Jeremiah 23:5-6; 31:31-34; John 8:34-36; Romans 6:5-7, 16-18; 1 Corinthians 15:25-26; Ephesians 2:10; 1 Peter 5:8; 2 Peter 1:19-21; Revelation 21:3-4)

**II. Zacharias acknowledges John’s role in God’s redemptive plan (vs. 76-79).**

A. John would be a prophet of God (76).

B. John would proclaim salvation by the forgiveness of sins (77).

C. John would be the one to proceed the Messiah (78-79).

(Psalm 107:10-17; Isaiah 9:1-2; Matthew 3:2; Mark 1:4; John 1:19-23)

**III. Zacharias’ prophecy came to pass (v. 80).**

(Jeremiah 15:17)

**Scripture References and Notes**

2 Peter 1:19-21

**19***So* we have the prophetic word *made* more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts. **20**But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is *a matter* of one’s own interpretation, **21**for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

**redemption**

* λύτρωσις (lutrósis)
* liberation, deliverance, release
* properly, the payment of the full *ransom-price* to free a slave – particularly the *redemption* of an individual.

John 8:34-36

**34**Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. **35**The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son does remain forever. **36**So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Romans 6:5-7

**5**For if we have become united with *Him* in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be *in the likeness* of His resurrection, **6**knowing this, that our old self was crucified with *Him*, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; **7**for he who has died is freed from sin.

Romans 6:16-18

**16**Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone *as* slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness? **17**But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed, **18**and having been freed from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.

Deuteronomy 33:17

“As the firstborn of his ox, majesty is his, And his horns are the horns of the wild ox; With them he will push the peoples, All at once, *to* the ends of the earth. And those are the ten thousands of Ephraim, And those are the thousands of Manasseh.”

2 Samuel 22:1-3

**1** And David spoke the words of this song to the Lord in the day that the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies and from the hand of Saul. **2**He said, “The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; **3**My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge;

Jeremiah 23:5-6

**5**“Behold, *the* days are coming,” declares the Lord, “When I will raise up for David a righteous Branch; And He will reign as king and act wisely And do justice and righteousness in the land. **6**“In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell securely; And this is His name by which He will be called, ‘The Lord our righteousness.’

Jeremiah 31:31-34

**31**“Behold, days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah,**32**not like the covenant which I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, although I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. **33**“But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days,” declares the Lord, “I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. **34**They will not teach again, each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ for they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them,” declares the Lord, “for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”

1 Peter 5:8

Be of sober *spirit*, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

1 Corinthians 15:25-26

**25**For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. **26**The last enemy that will be abolished is death.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

Revelation 21:3-4

**3**And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, **4**and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be *any* death; there will no longer be *any* mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.”

Leviticus 26:11-12

**11**Moreover, I will make My dwelling among you, and My soul will not reject you. **12**I will also walk among you and be your God, and you shall be My people.

John 1:19-23

**19**This is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent to him priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” **20**And he confessed and did not deny, but confessed, “I am not the Christ.” **21**They asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” And he said, “I am not.” “Are you the Prophet?” And he answered, “No.” **22**Then they said to him, “Who are you, so that we may give an answer to those who sent us? What do you say about yourself?” **23**He said, “I am a voice of one crying in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’ as Isaiah the prophet said.”

Mark 1:4

John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Matthew 3:2

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Isaiah 9:1-2

**1** But there will be no *more* gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make *it* glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. **2**The people who walk in darkness Will see a great light; Those who live in a dark land, The light will shine on them.

Psalm 107:10-16

**10**There were those who dwelt in darkness and in the shadow of death,  
Prisoners in misery and chains,  
**11**Because they had rebelled against the words of God  
And spurned the counsel of the Most High.  
**12**Therefore He humbled their heart with labor;  
They stumbled and there was none to help.  
**13**Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble;  
He saved them out of their distresses.  
**14**He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death  
And broke their bands apart.  
**15**Let them give thanks to the Lord for His lovingkindness,  
And for His wonders to the sons of men!  
**16**For He has shattered gates of bronze  
And cut bars of iron asunder.

Jeremiah 15:17

I did not sit in the circle of merrymakers, Nor did I exult. Because of Your hand *upon me* I sat alone, For You filled me with indignation.