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<p>Chapter 1 (1) Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us, (2) Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word; (3) It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus, (4) That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed. (5) There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judaea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia: and his wife <i>was</i> of the daughters of Aaron, and her name <i>was</i> Elisabeth.</p>	<p>Chapter 1 (1) Since many have attempted to write an orderly account of those things which we most surely believe, (2) Even as they delivered them to us, who were from the beginning eye witnesses,^a and ministers of the word; (3) It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write to you in {chronological} order this account, most excellent Theophilus {friend of God},^b (4) That you might know the certainty of those things, in which you have been instructed. (5) There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judea, a certain priest named Zachariah {Jehovah has remembered}, of the course of Abijah:^c and his wife <i>was</i> of the daughters of Aaron, and her name <i>was</i> Elisabeth {God of the covenant}.^d</p>
<p>Note: many scholars assume that Luke was a Gentile. According to Romans 3:1-2 the scriptures were entrusted to the Jews. Some early historians say that Luke was one of the seventy that Jesus sent out. This fits with Luke 1 and Acts 1 which show that Luke was not present at Jesus' baptism, but probably joined the disciples shortly thereafter. Internal evidence suggests that not only was Luke a Jew, but even very likely a Levitical priest [as well as a physician] – consider his knowledge of the priestly duties in chapter 1 and his detailed knowledge of the Law in chapter 2. He records medical details of some of Jesus' miracles that none of the other gospel writers record suggesting he was actually present when they were performed. See note on Acts 21:29.</p> <p>1:2a - eyewitnesses - see for self - <i>autoptas</i>{αὐτόπτης} [word we get autopsy from] 1:3b – Theophilus {θεοφιλε} – friend of God – See Acts 1:1 1:5c – Zechariah {Gr. ζαχαριαν} {Heb.- זכריה} - {Jehovah has remembered} [Zec. 1:1] - course of Abijah – David divided the descendants of Levi into 24 courses – I Chr. 23:6 – The course of Abijah was the eighth {the Lord's number} course [IChr. 24:10] – Abijah was descended from Eleazar, Aaron's oldest son. – see “Use of Numbers in Scripture” at www.TheWordNotes.com 1:5d – Elisabeth {ελισαβετ} – from Hebrew {אלישבע} – God of the covenant – Elishabeth [Ex. 6:23] was the wife of Aaron and the name was common to the Jews - note that Elisabeth was also a descendant of Aaron, Moses' brother</p>	
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<p>(6) And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.</p> <p>(7) And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were <i>now</i> well stricken in years.</p> <p>(8) And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before God in the order of his course,</p> <p>(9) According to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord.</p> <p>(10) And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense.</p> <p>(11) And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense.</p> <p>(12) And when Zacharias saw <i>him</i>, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.</p> <p>(13) But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.</p> <p>(14) And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth.</p> <p>(15) For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.</p> <p>(16) And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.</p> <p>(17) And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.</p> <p>(18) And Zacharias said unto the angel, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years.</p>	<p>(6) And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.</p> <p>(7) And they had no child, because Elisabeth was barren, and they both were <i>now</i> well advanced in years.</p> <p>(8) And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before God in the order of his course,</p> <p>(9) According to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord.</p> <p>(10) And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the time of incense.</p> <p>(11) And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense.</p> <p>(12) And when Zachariah saw <i>him</i>, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.</p> <p>(13) But the angel said to him, Do not be afraid, Zachariah: because your prayer has been heard; and your wife Elisabeth shall bear you a son, and you shall call his name John {Gracious}.^e</p> <p>(14) And you shall have joy and gladness; and many will rejoice at his birth.</p> <p>(15) Because he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and will drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb.</p> <p>(16) And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God.</p> <p>(17) And he will go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah,^f to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.</p> <p>(18) And Zachariah said to the angel, How shall I know this? Because I am an old man and my wife well advanced in years.</p>

1:13e - John {Ιωάννης} from Hebrew {יחנן} - Gracious

1:17f - II Ki. 1:8; Mat. 3:4; Mk. 1:6; Mat 11:14; Mat. 17:12; Mk. 9:13

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(19) And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings.
(20) And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season.
(21) And the people waited for Zacharias, and marvelled that he tarried so long in the temple.
(22) And when he came out, he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple: for he beckoned unto them, and remained speechless.
(23) And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own house.
(24) And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying,
(25) Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on *me*, to take away my reproach among men.
(26) And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
(27) To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name *was* Mary.
(28) And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed *art* thou among women.

(19) And the angel answering said to him, I am Gabriel {man of God},^g who stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak to you, and to declare to you this good news.
(20) And, indeed, you shall be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because you did not believe my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season.
(21) And the people waited for Zachariah, and marveled that he stayed so long in the temple.
(22) And when he came out, he could not speak to them: and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple: because he motioned to them, and remained speechless.
(23) And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministry were accomplished, he departed to his own house.
(24) And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying,
(25) In this way the Lord has dealt with me in the days in which He looked on *me*, to take away my reproach among men.
(26) And in the sixth month^h the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
(27) To a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name *was* Mary.ⁱ
(28) And the angel came in to her, and said, Hail, *you who are* highly favored, the Lord is with you: blessed *are* you among women.

1:19g - Gabriel {גבריאל} - man of God - Dan. 8:16; 9:21

1:26h – the sixth month – there is some question as to which calendar Luke was referring to

- See “[The Magi and The Date of Jesus' Birth](http://www.TheWordNotes.com)” at www.TheWordNotes.com

it is also the sixth month of Elisabeth's pregnancy 1:36 – See Mat. 2:6 and Lk 2:39 notes

1:27i – Mary {μαριαμ} from Hebrew Miriam {מרים} - rebelliously

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<p>(29) And when she saw <i>him</i>, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.</p> <p>(30) And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.</p> <p>(31) And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.</p> <p>(32) He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:</p> <p>(33) And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.</p> <p>(34) Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?</p> <p>(35) And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.</p> <p>(36) And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.</p> <p>(37) For with God nothing shall be impossible.</p> <p>(38) And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.</p> <p>(39) And Mary arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Judah;</p> <p>(40) And entered into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabeth.</p>	<p>(29) And when she saw <i>him</i>, she was troubled at his saying, and wondered in her mind what manner of greeting this should be.</p> <p>(30) And the angel said to her, Do not be afraid, Mary: because you have found favor with God.</p> <p>(31) And, indeed, you shall conceive in your womb, and bring forth a son, and shall call His Name JESUS {Jehovah saves}.</p> <p>(32) He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give to Him the throne of His forefather David:</p> <p>(33) And He shall reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His kingdom there shall be no end.</p> <p>(34) Then Mary said to the angel, How shall this be, since I do not know a man {in a sexual manner}?</p> <p>(35) And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit shall come upon you, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow you: therefore also that Holy One Who shall be born of you shall be called the Son of God.</p> <p>(36) And, indeed, your cousin Elisabeth, she has also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.</p> <p>(37) Because with God nothing shall be impossible.</p> <p>(38) And Mary said, See the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word. And the angel departed from her.</p> <p>(39) And Mary arose in those days, and went with haste into the hill country, into a city of Judah;</p> <p>(40) And entered into the house of Zachariah, and greeted Elisabeth.</p>

1:31j – Jesus {Ἰησοῦς} {Hebrew - ישוע} - from Hebrew Joshua {יהושע} - Jehovah saves

– see Acts 7:45 Note the gematria [numerical value] of the name Jesus in Greek totals 888 {8 is the Lord's number} as opposed to the antichrist's number 666. - see “[Use of Numbers in Scripture](#)”, “[Equidistant Letter Sequences \[ELS\]](#)”, and “[Examples of ELS Bible Codes](#)” at www.TheWordNotes.com

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(41) And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost:

(42) And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed *art* thou among women, and blessed *is* the fruit of thy womb.

(43) And whence *is* this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

(44) For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy.

(45) And blessed *is* she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.

(46) And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord,

(47) And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

(48) For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

(49) For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy *is* his name.

(50) And his mercy *is* on them that fear him from generation to generation.

(51) He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

(52) He hath put down the mighty from *their* seats, and exalted them of low degree.

(53) He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

(41) And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit:

(42) And she spoke out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed *are* you among women, and blessed *is* the Fruit of your womb.

(43) And how *is* this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

(44) Because, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy.^k

(45) And blessed *is* she who has believed because there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.

(46) And Mary said, My soul magnifies the Lord,

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1:44k - note: John was conceived just over 6 months prior to Mary's coming, and Jesus had been conceived at the most a couple of weeks before Mary's arrival -- Yet John, still in his mother's womb, recognized Jesus in Mary's womb!! See Job 3:16

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<p>(54) He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of <i>his</i> mercy;</p> <p>(55) As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.</p> <p>(56) And Mary abode with her about three months, and returned to her own house.</p> <p>(57) Now Elisabeth's full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son.</p> <p>(58) And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her.</p> <p>(59) And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father.</p> <p>(60) And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John.</p> <p>(61) And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name.</p> <p>(62) And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called.</p> <p>(63) And he asked for a writing table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all.</p> <p>(64) And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue <i>loosed</i>, and he spake, and praised God.</p> <p>(65) And fear came on all that dwelt round about them: and all these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill country of Judaea.</p>	<p>(54) He has helped His servant Israel, in remembering <i>His</i> mercy;</p> <p>(55) As He spoke to our forefathers, to Abraham, and to his descendants forever.</p> <p>(56) And Mary stayed with her about three months, and returned to her own house.¹</p> <p>(57) Now Elisabeth's full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son.</p> <p>(58) And her neighbors and her cousins heard how the Lord had shown great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her.</p> <p>(59) And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zachariah, after the name of his father.</p> <p>(60) And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John.</p> <p>(61) And they said to her, There are none of your kin who are called by this name.</p> <p>(62) And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called.</p> <p>(63) And he motioned for a writing tablet, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they all marveled.</p> <p>(64) And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue <i>loosened</i>, and he spoke, and praised God.</p> <p>(65) And fear came on all who lived around them: and all these sayings were spoken abroad throughout all the hill country of Judea.</p>

1:56¹ – three months – Mary went to see Elisabeth in her sixth month and stayed about three months. So she stayed until or near the time of John's birth.

