The Gospel According to Luke, Chapter 1, Verses 46-66

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Luke

- Luke Acts (Time with Paul etc.)
- Dedications (Lk 1:1-4) (Ac 1:1-3)
- Perspective: Luke probably writes after his time with Paul in Ac 28:16
- Questions regarding Jesus' origin

Infancy Narratives

- Was Jesus really human? Yes, and this is seen the story told in Luke 2 (and Matthew 2)
- Was he merely human? No, he was born of a virgin, foretold by angels as seen in Luke 1 (and Matthew 1)

Infancy Narratives

Did the God-Man Jesus contradict the faith of Israel? No. Jesus came to fulfill the faith of Israel and this much was clear from the beginning as seen in Luke 1 and Matthew 1.

Luke – Chapter 1

- Preface: vv 1-4
- Narrative: vv 5-46a, 56-67, 80
- Songs:
 - Magnificat vv 46b-55
 - Benedictus vv 68-79

OT Speech About God

Luke 1:46a

And Mary said,

Luke 1:46b

"My soul magnifies the Lord,

and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

Luke 1:48a

for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.

Luke 1:48b

For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;

he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate;

he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,

as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever."

. . . Song ends here

And Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home.

Birth of John (vv 56-66)



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Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son.

And her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father,

but his mother answered, "No; he shall be called John."

And they said to her, "None of your relatives is called by this name."

And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he wanted him to be called.

And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John."
And they all wondered.

And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God.

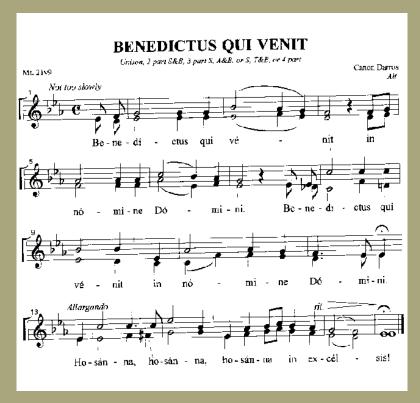
And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea,

and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, "What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him.

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And his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying,

Benedictus (vv 68-79)



And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day of his public appearance to Israel.

"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people

and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David,

as he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us;

to show the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant,

the oath that he swore to our father Abraham, to grant us

that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear,

in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

to give knowledge of salvation to his people in the forgiveness of their sins,

because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high

to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

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