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THIS YEAR, I WILL

**Resolve: To Know Him (Jesus
Christ)! Philippians 3:10-16**





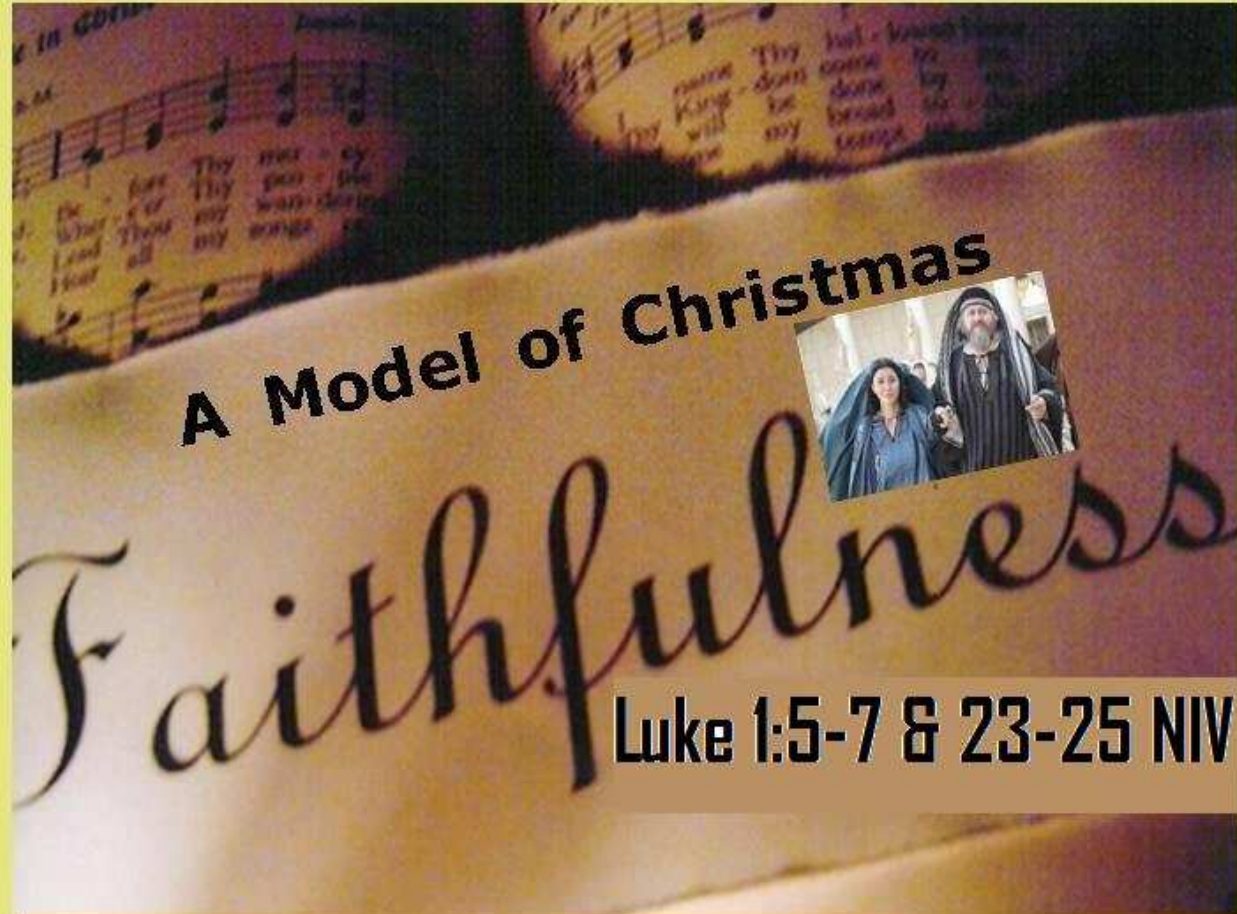
THE MONTH THE DISCIPLINE OF LIVE AS WE DO

Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. Philippians 3:17



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⁵ In the time of Herod king of Judea there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly division of Abijah; his wife Elizabeth was also a descendant of Aaron. ⁶ Both of them were righteous in the sight of God, observing all the Lord's commands and decrees blamelessly. ⁷ But they were childless because Elizabeth was not able to conceive, and they were both very old.

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²³ When his time of service was completed, he returned home.²⁴ After this his wife Elizabeth became pregnant and for five months remained in seclusion. ²⁵ "The Lord has done this for me," she said. "In these days he has shown his favor and taken away my disgrace among the people."



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- **The Rottenness of Christmas Faithfulness v. 7**
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Deuteronomy 5:33

- **Walk in all the way that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess.**

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❖ **The Rottenness of Christmas Faithfulness v. 7** ⁷ But they were childless because Elizabeth was not able to conceive, and they were both very old.

Habakkuk 3:18

- **¹⁷ Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls,**

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❖ **The Rejoicing of Christmas Faithfulness v. 25** ²⁵ “The Lord has done this for me,” she said. “In these days he has shown his favor and taken away my disgrace among the people.”

Habakkuk 3:18-19

- **¹⁸ yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Savior. ¹⁹ The Sovereign LORD is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to tread on the heights.**

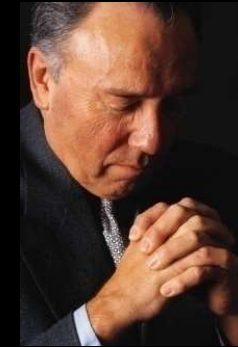
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Conclusion:



- **Thesis: Christians should be faithful to God.**

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- **Decisions to make today!**
- **Accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior**
- **Be baptized**
- **Join Bethlehem Baptist Church**
- **Ask for prayer**
- **Testify**
- **Ministry or Mission**

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