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Text: Luke 1:5-7 &23-25

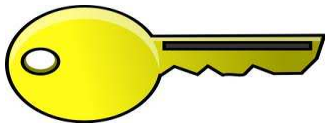
⁵ In the time of Herod king of Judea there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly division of Abijah; his wife Elizabeth was also a descendant of Aaron. ⁶ Both of them were righteous in the sight of God, observing all the Lord's commands and decrees blamelessly. ⁷ But they were childless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

Thesis: Christian should be a model of faithfulness.

❖ **The Righteousness of Christmas Faithfulness v. 6** ⁶ Both of them were righteous in the sight of God, observing all the Lord's commands and decrees blamelessly.

❖ **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.

❖ **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.”



Key Verse

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Luke 1:6