

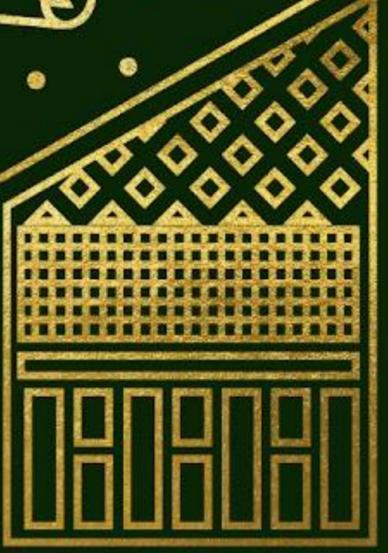


CANDLE OF JOY



Luke 1:5-20; 57-66 NLT

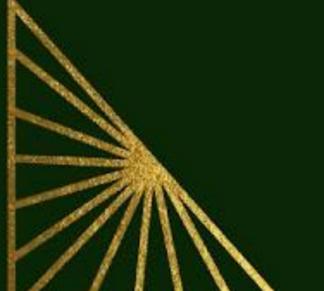
# ADVENT





**LUKE 1:13** ESV

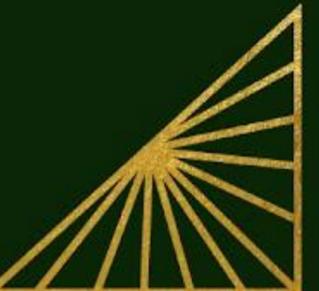
But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for **your prayer has been heard**, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John.”





**LUKE 1:20** ESV

“And behold, **you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place**, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time.”

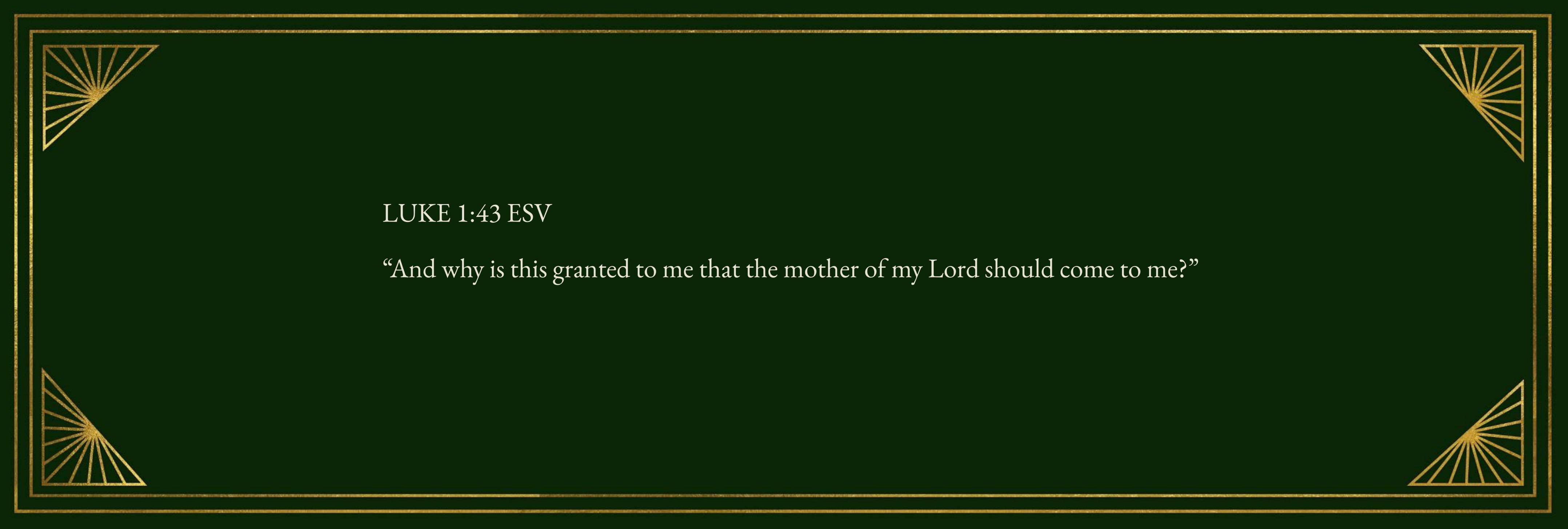




LUKE 1:5b-7 ESV

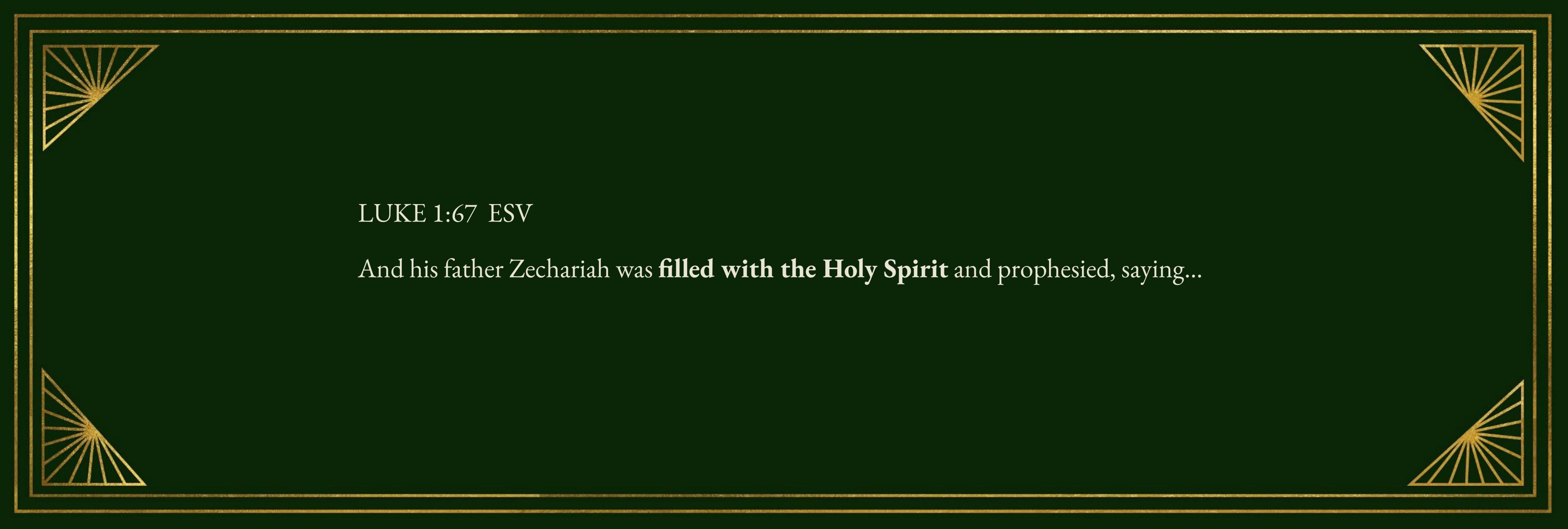
Zechariah had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth.  
<sup>6</sup> And they were both **righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord.** <sup>7</sup> But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years.



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LUKE 1:43 ESV

“And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me?”



LUKE 1:67 ESV

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



# AN UNCLE PROPHESIES

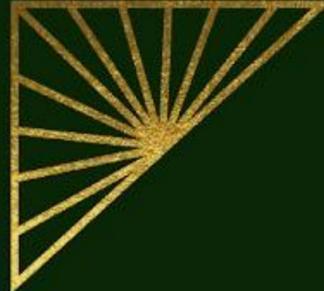
LUKE 1:67-80



**LUKE 1:68-71** ESV

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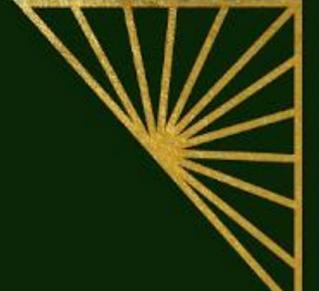




**LUKE 1:72-75** ESV

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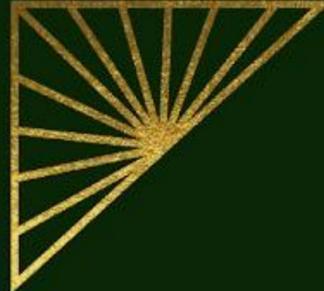
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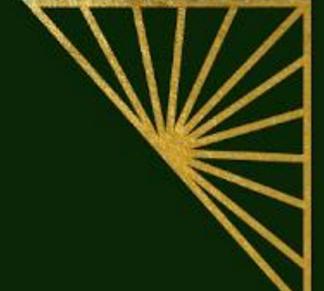




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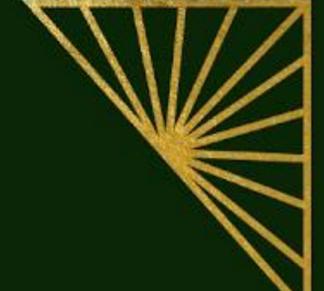
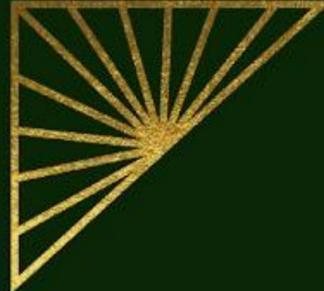
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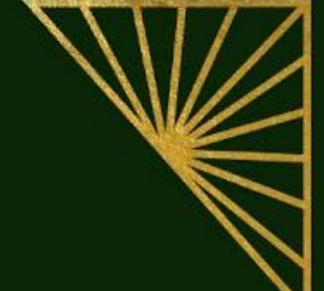
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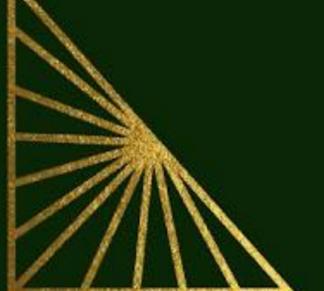
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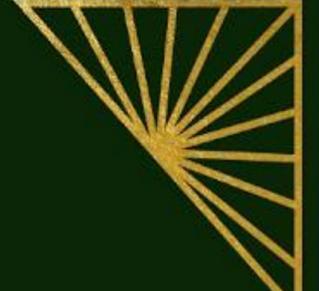




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**Jeremiah 23:5 ESV**

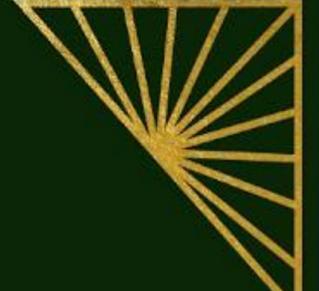
“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a **righteous Branch**, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.”

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**Numbers 24:17a ESV**

“I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near: **a star shall come out of Jacob**, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel...”



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