

## Surprised by God's Call

Do you think the parents of John the Baptist struggled like we do? Were they human? Did they have doubts and struggles with God's call on their life? Let's look and learn today about God's working in their lives, and how they responded to Him.

Scripture(s): Luke 1 5-25; 57-66

I. The first struggle that that Zechariah and Elizabeth faced as they were given a calling by God was its \_\_\_\_\_. God does not use our time \_\_\_\_\_ to accomplish His purposes.

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II. The second struggle that Zechariah and Elizabeth faced as they were given a calling by God was \_\_\_\_\_. When we receive a calling by God, we are tempted to create all sorts of \_\_\_\_\_ to not respond.

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III. The third struggle that Zechariah and Elizabeth faced as they were given a calling by God was the \_\_\_\_\_ of others. Not everyone will understand our willingness to \_\_\_\_\_.

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Hear this - We are surprised when God calls us, but He \_\_\_\_\_ us.

Our challenge: Reject the temptation to believe the lie that following God is too \_\_\_\_\_ for you.

1. Seek God through your difficulties believing that He will \_\_\_\_\_ to our needs.

2. Follow faithfully without \_\_\_\_\_.

3. An encouragement: Follow God and others will be \_\_\_\_\_ at what God is doing and praising God with you.

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"O Come, O Come  
Emmanuel" 76

"Come, Thou Long Expected  
Jesus" 77

"Emmanuel" 82

\* Pastoral Prayer & Time in  
the Word \*

"Savior, Like a Shepherd  
Lead Us" 61