



# World Christian Fellowship CHRISTMAS 2024



*Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing on the right side of the altar of incense. <sup>12</sup> And when Zacharias saw him, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.*

**Luke 1:11-20**



*<sup>13</sup> But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. <sup>14</sup> And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth. <sup>15</sup> For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb."*

**Luke 1:11-20**



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*19 And the angel answered and said to him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and was sent to speak to you and bring you these glad tidings. 20 But behold, you will be mute and not able to speak until the day these things take place, because you did not believe my words which will be fulfilled in their own time."*

**Luke 1:11-20**



*Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favoured one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"*

**Luke 1:26-38**



*29 But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. 30 Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus.*

**Luke 1:26-38**



*32 He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. 33 And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”*

*34 Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?”*

**Luke 1:26-38**



*35 And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. 36 Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.*

**Luke 1:26-38**



*37 For with God nothing will be impossible.”*

*38 Then Mary said, “Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word.”*

*And the angel departed from her.*

**Luke 1:26-38**



JESUS BIRTH STORY STARTS AT BETHLEHEM.

God is going to  
start with Mary so  
she needs to know  
what God can do  
with impossible.



# GABRIEL VISITS ZACHARIAS

*Name of the child will be John, and he will be great.*



# CHURCH IS A LIVING PROOF



# GABRIEL VISITS MARY

*Gabriel explains the Mary how God will do it!*



**God creates**

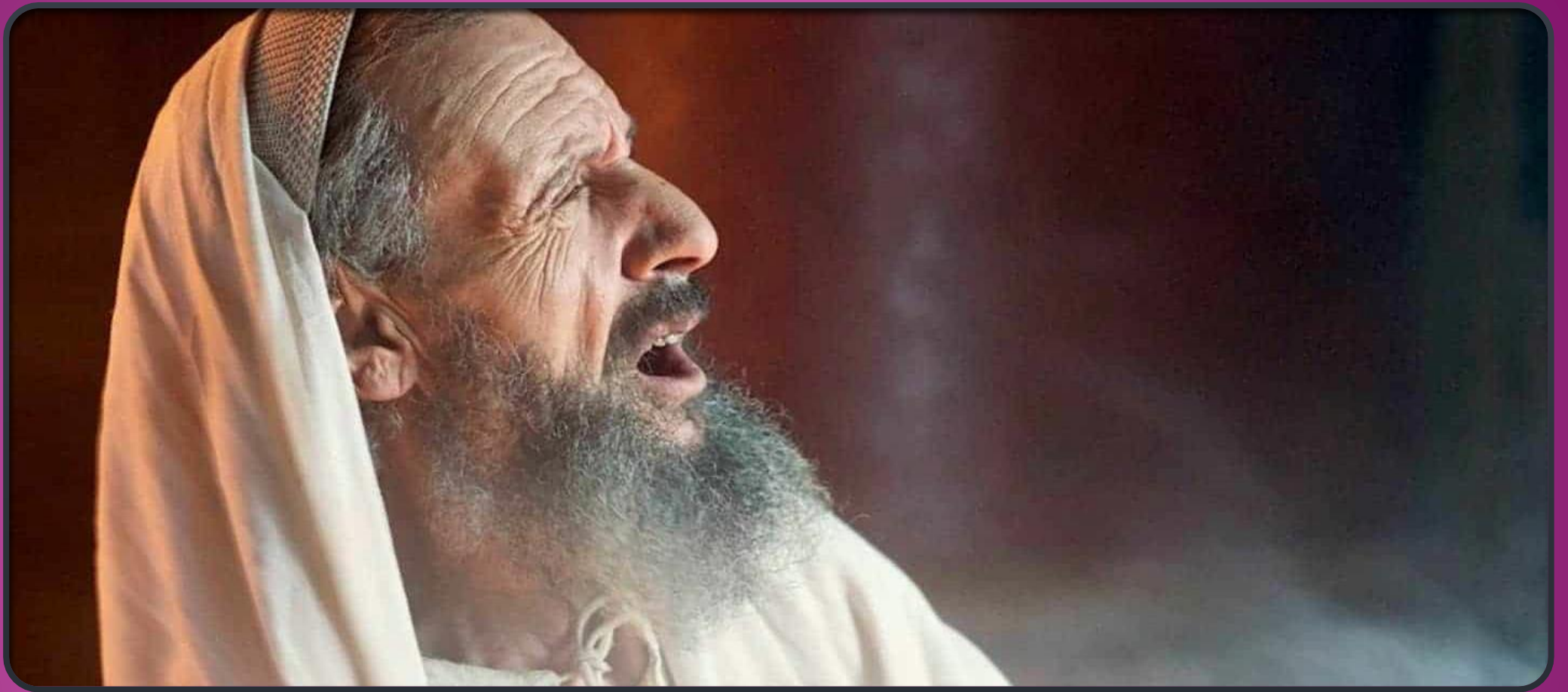
**an**

**encouraging**

**environment**

**for Mary.**





**THERE ARE ZACHARIAS  
IN EVERY CHURCH**

**GODS' ANSWERS DEPEND  
UPON YOUR ACTION.**





- When Gabriel announces the birth of John he visits Zacharias.
- Whereas the announcement of Jesus birth the angel Gabriel shows up to Mary not to Joseph.



# MATTHEW 1:18



*Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit.*



# JESUS' BIRTH WAS IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

For Jesus birth Jospheh has  
nothing to do.



For John birth Zacharias  
needs to act upon  
the word of God.



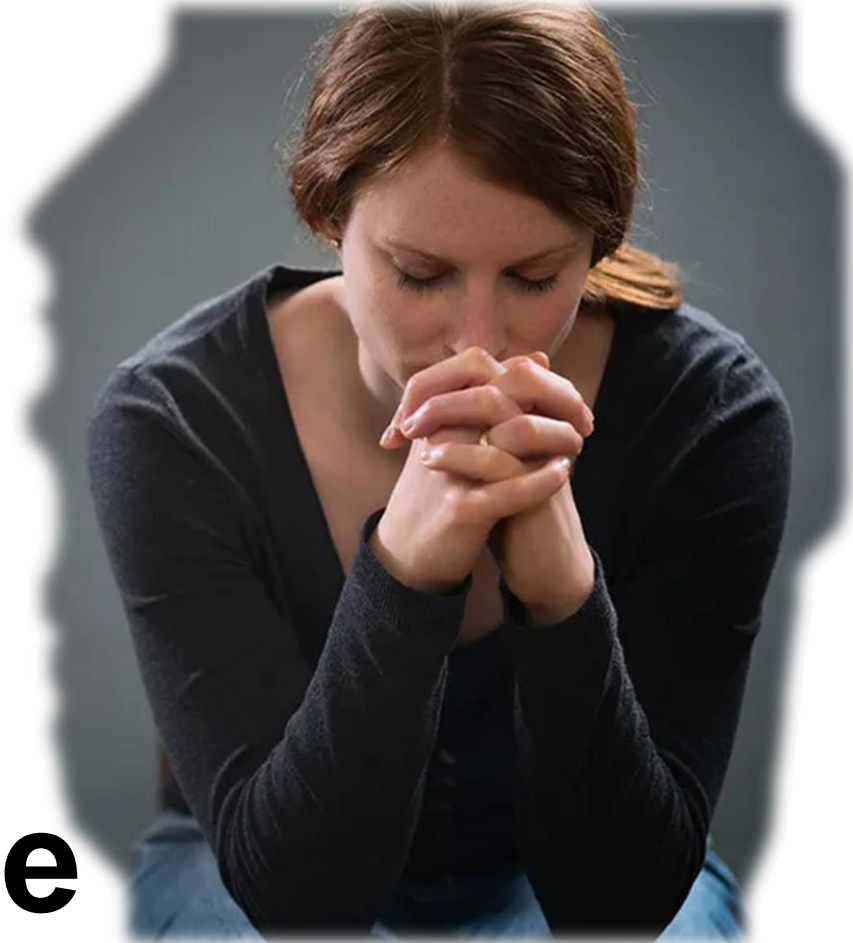
# There is a time to pray



There is a time to  
Act on the word.



- **Moses-Red Sea.**
- **Joshua- Walls of Jericho**
- **Lame man- Pool of Bethesda.**
- **Lazarus- Move the stone away**



# JOSHUA 7:10

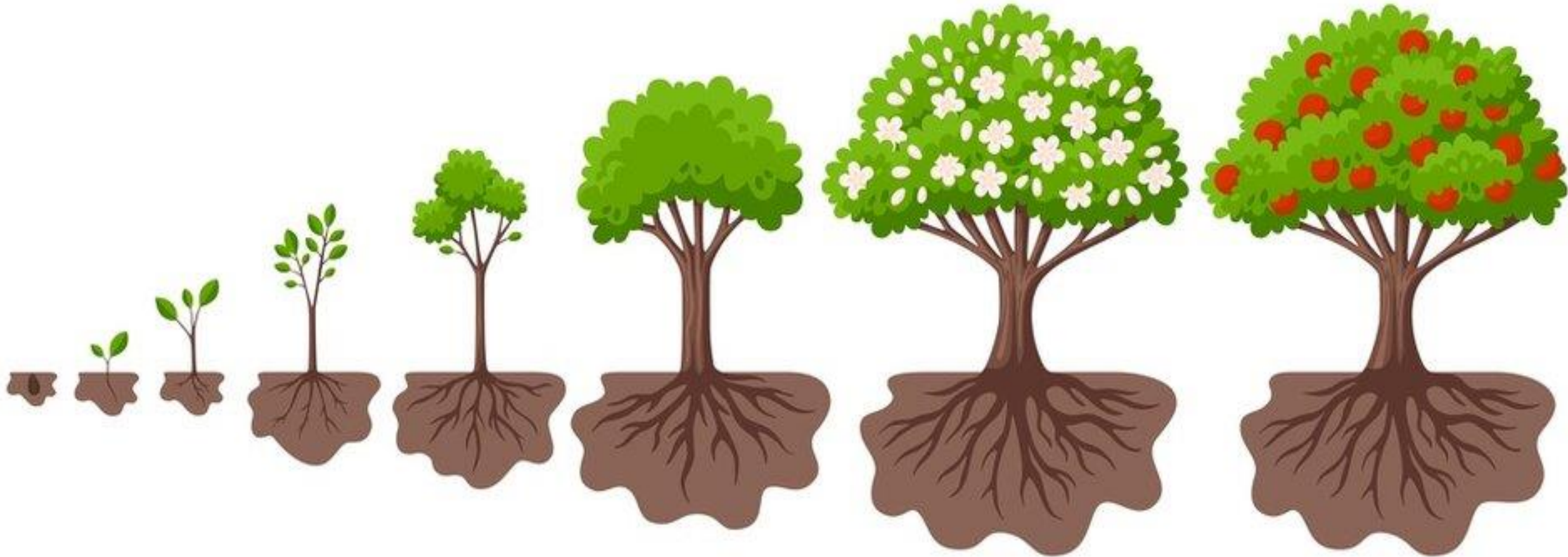
*So the Lord said  
to Joshua: "Get  
up! Why do you  
lie thus on your  
face?"*



# 3. PRAISING GOD FOR THE SIGNS.

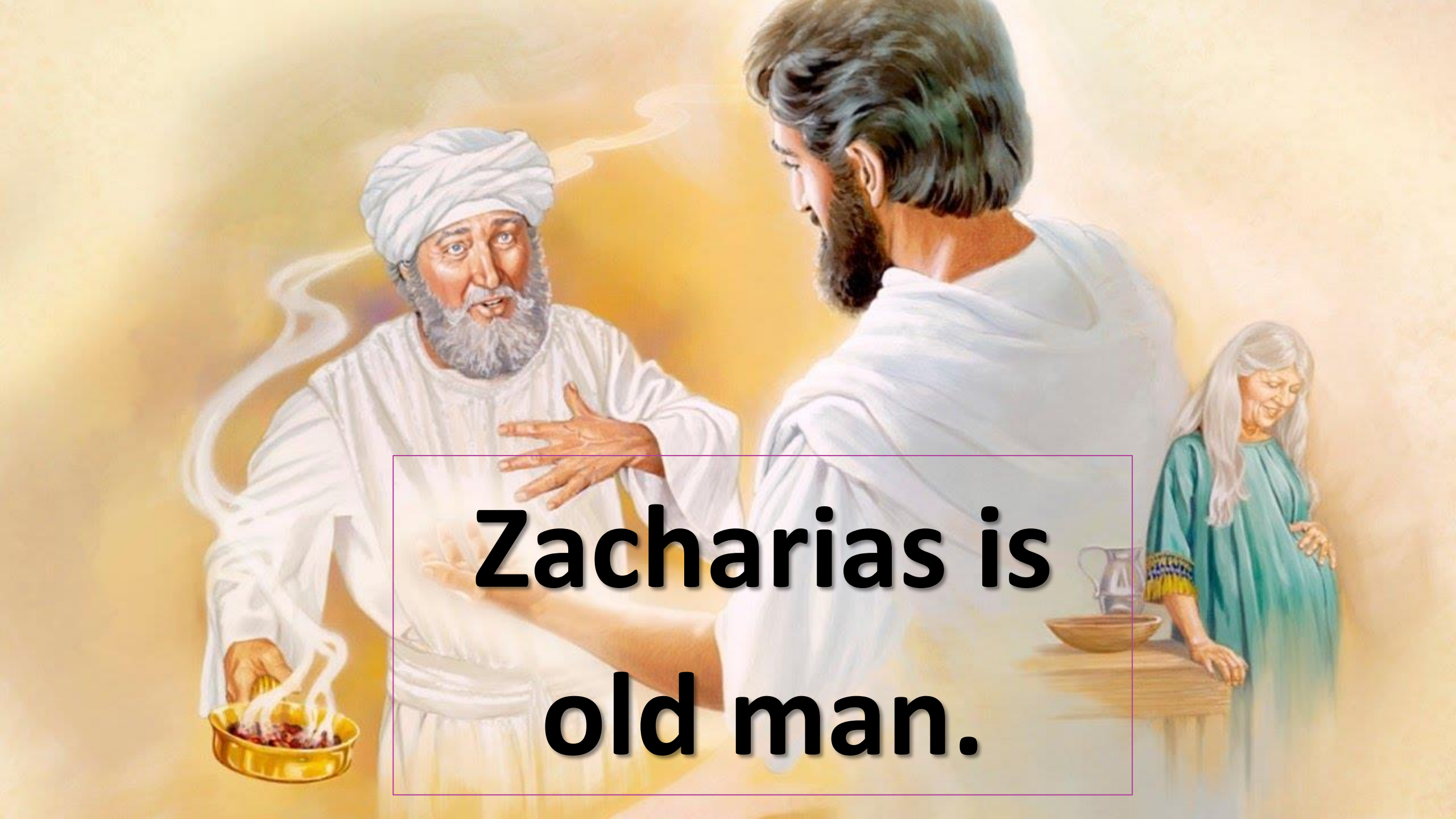


**SOME ARE WAITING TO PRAISE GOD ONLY  
WHEN THEY CAN SEE THE FULL ANSWER. THEY  
CAN'T HANDLE THE PROGRESSIVE ANSWERS.**




**WILL YOU BE ABLE TO THANK GOD  
FOR THE SIGNS IN YOUR LIFE?**





**Zacharias is  
old man.**



**Mary is a  
teenage girl**

**As you grow older your experience  
with God becomes bigger and  
bigger.**



**Does your resume is bigger and bigger?**



**Testimonies**

**Do you  
thank God  
enough for  
the  
resume?**

