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- Zechariah wanted the **Altar**, but he also got the **Angel**.
- So along with the Altar, and the Angel, Zechariah got the **Annunciation**.
- It's a fancy word for an **announcement**.
- They could not **take** credit, but only **give** credit to God for His great gift.

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1. God has *plans* for the world.
 - He has *woven* His plans into the fabric of future history.

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2. Every person has a **purpose**.

- John's purpose was to make people **ready** for the Lord.



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3. God prepares *parents* to fulfill His purposes.

- John was announced and born, at just the right time for him, for his parents to raise him to be the *most important* prophet in Biblical history.

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4. God *makes* promises.
- The angel's announcement to Zechariah uses the very same words, *400 years* later.

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5. God *keeps* promises.

- This book [the Bible] is *filled* with *promises* from God, to you and me.

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6. God *answers* prayers.
- And God will either *answer* them or *exceed* them.
 - Jesus called this kind of life, “*abundant* life.”
 - What we can learn from Zechariah is that any day can become your *best day*.

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