

## Luke 1:46-80 – Jesus is Lord, believe & accept him

*What do you long for?*

**Mary & Zechariah's poetic praises:**

### 1. Similarities in their praises

Mary v46,49 – for God's Greatness

- God as Saviour – v47

So she greatly rejoices

- God's mercy – v50,54

- Faithfulness to his promises – v55

Mary's response – belief (v38) – she's a great example

Zechariah – when can speak he praises God - v64, 67

- For God's salvation, faithfulness, mercy

### 2. Differences

Mary – praises God for his favour to her – v48

With God's upside down values

God will lift up the humble and \_\_\_\_\_ the proud

Many rich people think they don't need God

God saves the poor in spirit (Matt 5.3)

Zechariah

- declares we've been saved to serve God (v74f)

- Rescue / redemption from enemies

Now – our spiritual enemies - sin Satan death

Praise God for forgiveness from sins – v77 (Mk 10.45)

By Jesus dying to save us

Us and our sin is the problem, we need to humbly ask

for God's mercy & forgiveness (1 Jn 1.9-10)

Also given light and life and peace

*Respond with – Praise & Wow-God prayers (v46)*