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Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, ⁹according to the custom of the priesthood, he was chosen by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense.



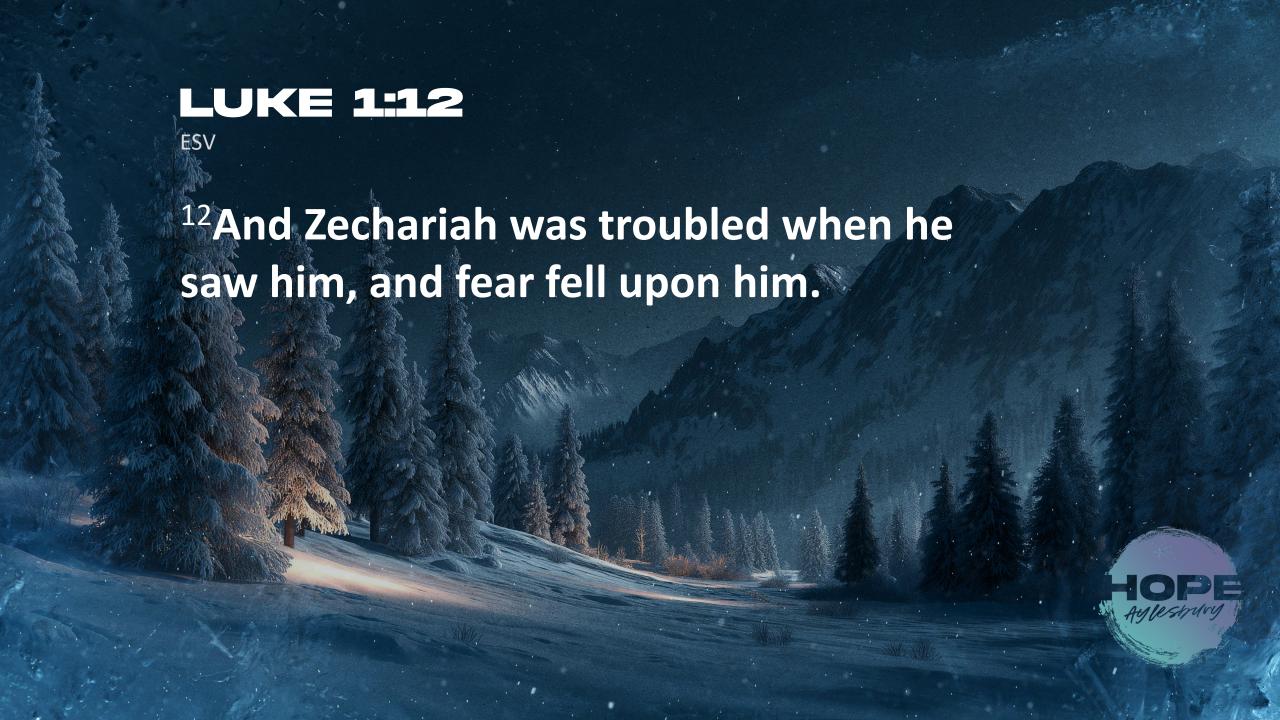
LUKE 1:8-11

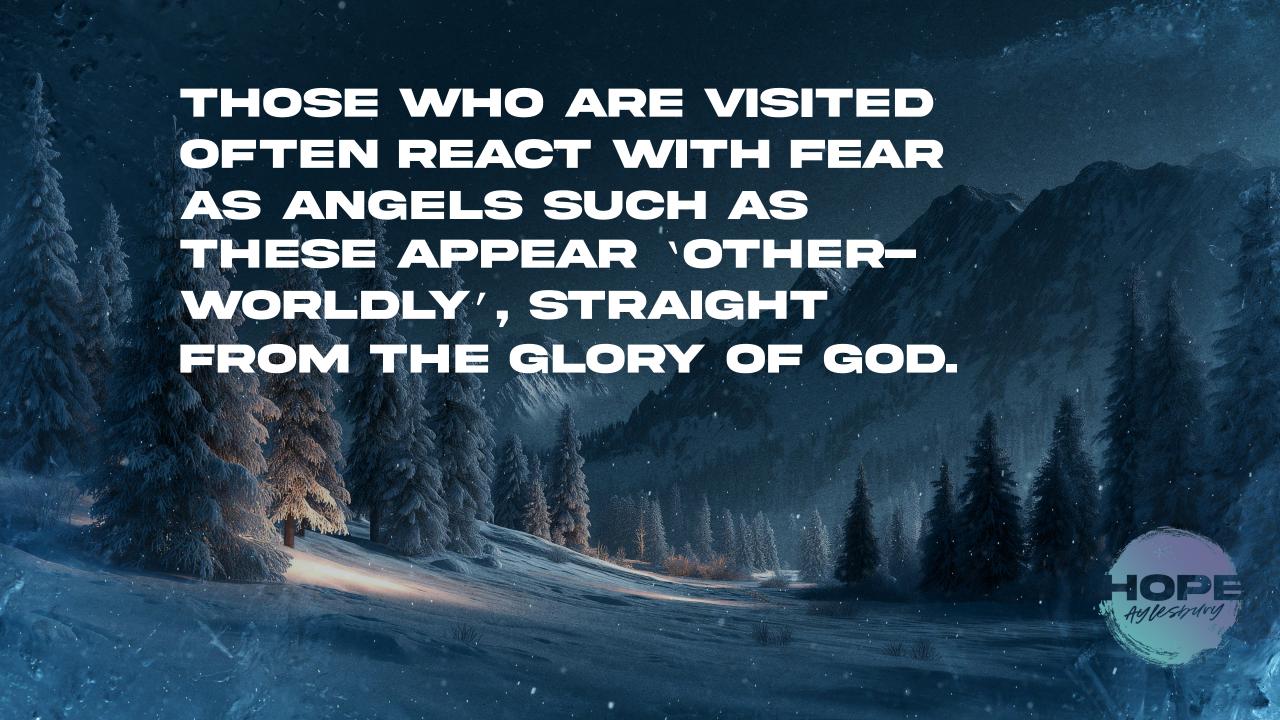
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And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense. ¹¹And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. 12 And Zechaniah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him.









LUKE 1:13

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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.

Note: Angels are not fortune tellers/tooth fairies or the like but messengers sent from God with God's message

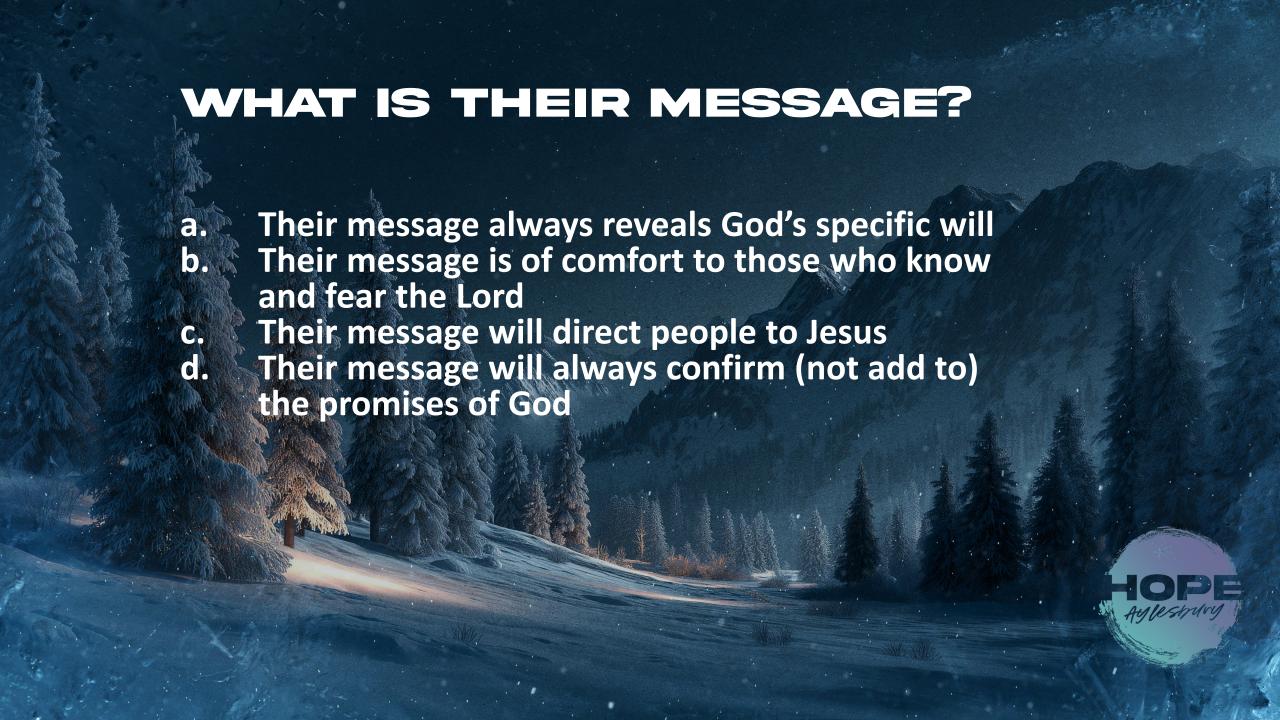


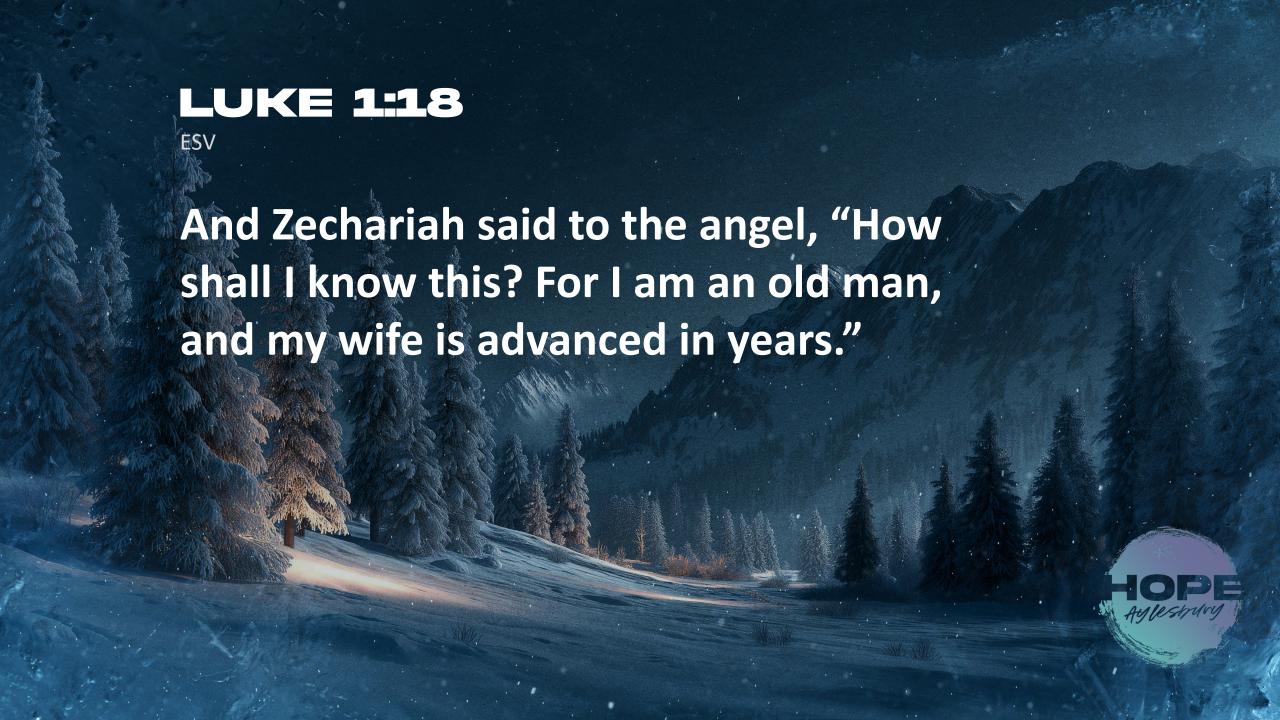
LUKE 1:14-17

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And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, 15 for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. 16 And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, 17 and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared."









WHAT IS THE RIGHT RESPONSE?

- a. Luke 1:38 "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." [Mary]
- b. Accept; receive; believe
- c. Mary's conversation with the Angel (Gabriel) was shorter compared to Zechariah's





- a. Yes!
- b. Are we too religious to notice them?
- c. Are we too busy to listen?

Hebrews 13:2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

