



Small Group Discussion Questions

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Sermon: Multitude ... Praying

Luke 1:1-24

1. **A Prayerful Nation** Incense arose (representing the prayers of multitudes), multitudes prayed in the courtyard; a miraculous **VISITATION** occurred. Are we praying hoping for a miraculous visitation from the Lord? How is your prayer life? Is it consistent? Is it faith filled and hopeful? Do you expect something wonderful to happen in response to prayer?
2. **Preparation:** John the Baptist was to prepare a way for the Lord. He was the forerunner or we might say, God's advance man for the coming of the Messiah. He was prepared by miraculous birth, prophetic utterances made over his life, and a Godly family and shaping circumstances. How has God prepared you or how is he whispering to you- instructing you on your part in his cosmic plan? Can you point to providential events which propelled you to your call? Are you seeking His will for His plan and purpose in your life? (Preparation similar to Master teacher Henrietta Mears, Sunday School teacher extraordinaire and arch preparer of God's people).
3. **Proclamation:** Do you often doubt your ability to be used by God based on your perceived personal defects? Isn't it possible that your life can be used more mightily by the mighty God because of your shortcomings? His strength is made perfect in weakness. You are his workmanship. How might he use you to proclaim His overcoming life to your world?

Remember leaders: these are only suggested questions and ideas. Trust the Lord to guide and direct you, because He loves you, in any way the Spirit leads!