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Who is John the Baptist?

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Zechariah and Elizabeth

followed in God's way.

The commands that God had spoken,

they wanted to obey.

Even though they loved God,

their lives still lacked of joy.

Because they were not given

a little girl or boy



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They thought they'd never have a child
as they were then quite old.

But to God they still were faithful
to do what they were told.

Zechariah was a priest;
in the temple he had served.

One day he was on duty,
when he became unnerved.



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Gabriel came before him,
full of glory did appear.

Zechariah was quite shaken
and his heart was gripped with fear.

The angel said his prayers were heard
and he would have a boy.

His son would go before the Lord
to bring great news of joy.



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Zechariah thought this couldn't be,
his wife was very old.

And so he questioned Gabriel
and what he had been told.

The angel said he wouldn't speak
until all this came to be.

Because he doubted Gabriel,
his words did not believe.



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Going back to his home,

Elizabeth conceived and then gave birth.

Their son would be the prophet

God said he'd send to earth.

John would go before the Lord

to prepare the hearts of men.

He would announce Christ's coming

and the need to turn from sin.



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God said he'd send a prophet
before the coming of his Son
To announce the Savior's coming,
before his work'd begun.
John was the chosen prophet
to proclaim Christ's work on earth.
And there were many signs,
attending to his birth.

Who is John the Baptist?

J—J	Make sign of "J"
John	Move "J" to mouth & touch lips
Prepared the hearts of men	Make heart over heart Tap head with hand palm down
J—J—John	Same as above
Told them to turn from sin	Move upright index finger in circle Thumbs down sign

