

1.a. The unexpected birth of John was as foretold (1:57-66)

1.b. The unexpected birth of Jesus was as foretold (2:1-21)

(i) What's similar?

(ii) What's dissimilar?

What **impact** does Jesus' coming have on **you**?

It's all part of The Plan

Lk 1:57-2:21

- God showed His **favour** & acted to **save**
- There're **fear** & **wonder**; **rejoicing** & **praise**; **reflections** & **declarations**
 - John was the **Prophet** of but Jesus is the **Son** of the Most High

• God sent the Messiah; He is **merciful** & **faithful**

• John prepared for the Messiah; he preached **repentance** & **salvation** in Jesus

• Jesus is the Messiah; He **lived** & **died** to **redeem** & **save** us & brought **light** & **peace**

• We're saved thru the Messiah; we **serve God in boldness, holiness & righteousness**

2. The expected coming of the Messiah was being fulfilled (1:67-80)

(i) What's God's part?

(ii) What's Jesus' part?

(iii) What's John's part?

(iv) What's our part?