

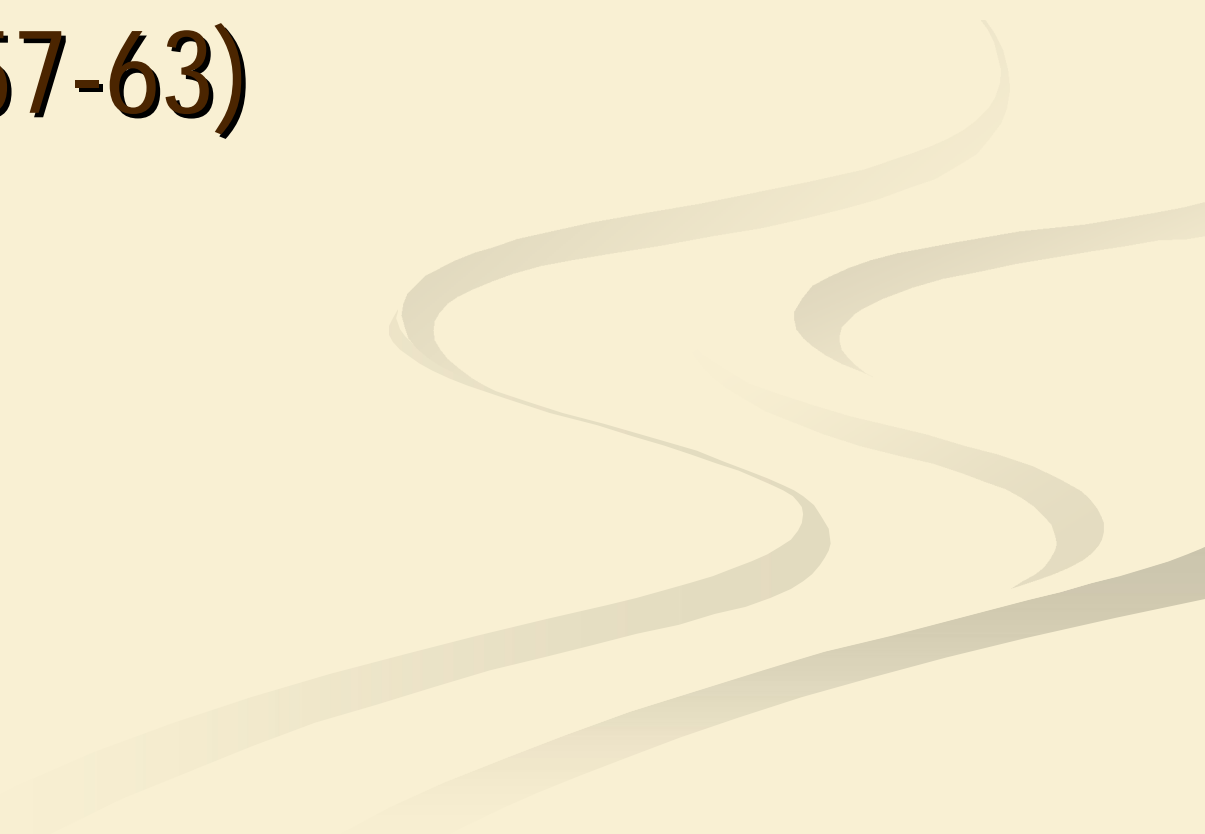
## Matthew 11:28-30 (KJV)

28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and **learn of me**; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.


# The Traditions of the Fathers

Luke 1:57 -77

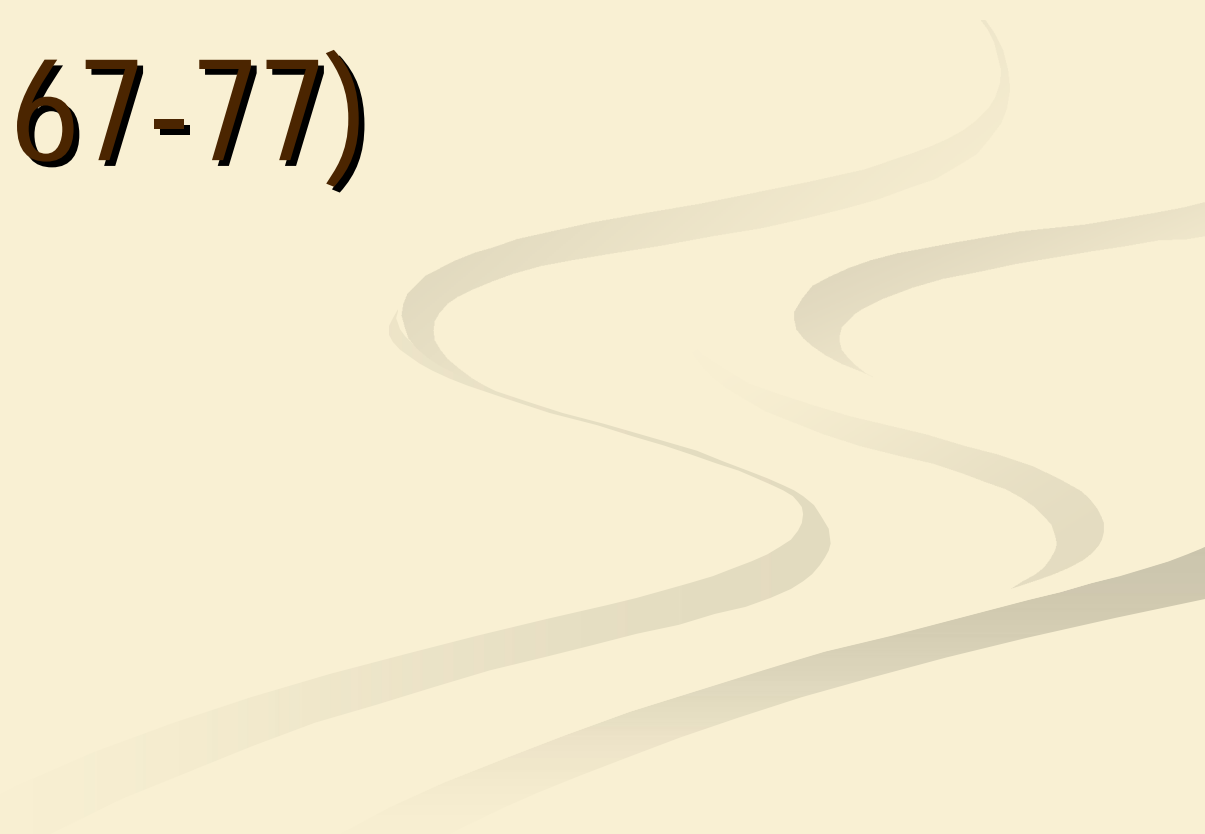
**x The Birth of  
John the Baptist  
(Luke 1: 57-63)**



**× Zacharis regains his speech  
after 9 months.  
(Luke 1: 64-66)**



**× Prophecies concerning  
John and Jesus  
(Luke 1: 67-77)**



# Joseph's Dilemma

## ■ Matthew 1:18-25 (King James Version)

18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.

20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

25 And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

➤ **The Apparent**      **verses 18-19**

**Deut 24:4 - " Her Former Husband"**

**Just Man vs. 19**  
**Fair, Lawful, Righteous**  
**at least 9 in the BOOK**

1. Noah

2. God (Deut 32:4)

3. Joseph

4. Jesus

5. John the Baptist

6. Simeon

7. Joseph of Arimathaea

8. Cornelius

9. Lot

- **Matthew 27:19**

19When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

- **Matthew 27:24**

24When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.

## ➤ **The Appearing**      **Verses 20-21**

### ■ **2 Timothy 2:19 (King James Version)**

**<sup>19</sup>Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.**

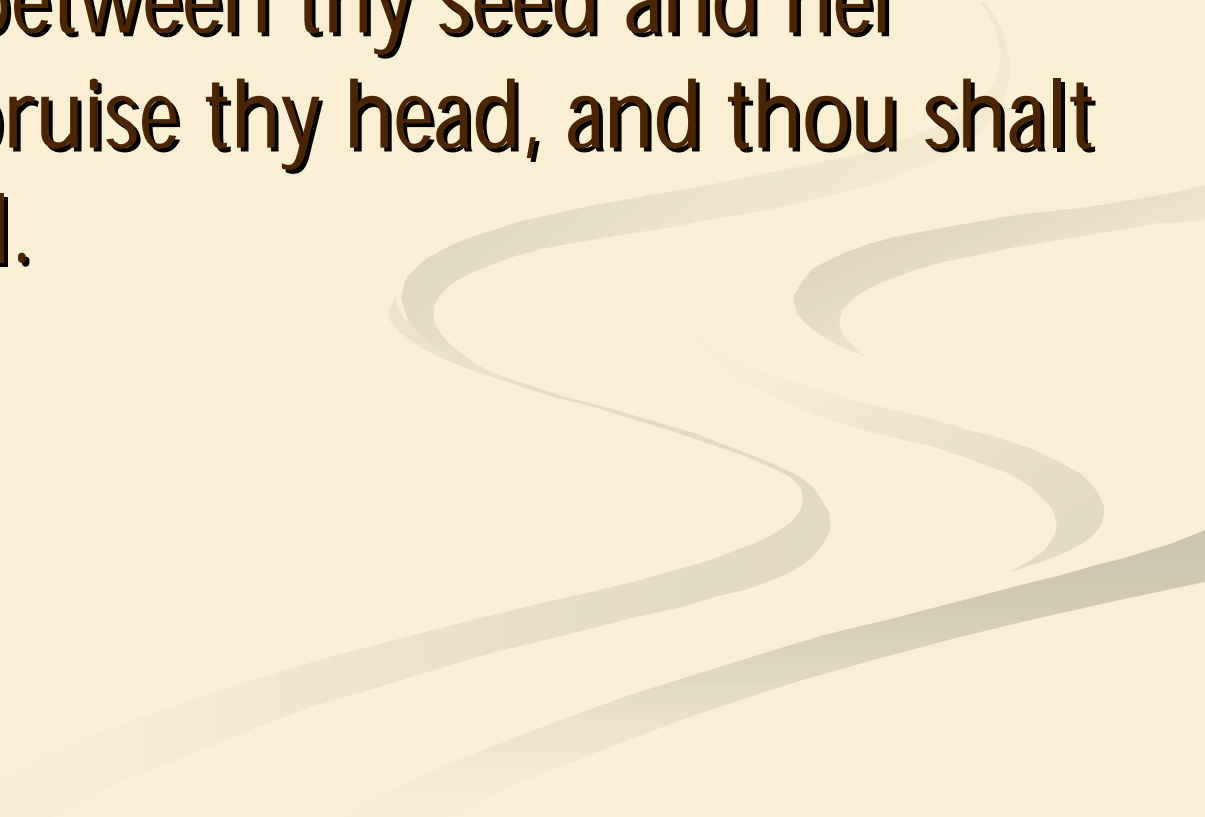
## ➤ **The Application**      **verses 22-23**

### ■ **Isaiah 7:14 (King James Version)**

<sup>14</sup> Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

## ■ **Genesis 3:15 (King James Version)**

**<sup>15</sup>And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.**



## ➤ **The Acceptance** verses 24-25

### **Ephesians 2:8-10 (King James Version)**

**8**For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

**9**Not of works, lest any man should boast.

**10**For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

- **Luke 1:47 (King James Version)**

**<sup>47</sup>And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.**