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## SMALL GROUP SERMON GUIDE

Sermon Date: **September 18, 2022**

Scripture Text: **Luke 1:5-25**

Sermon Title and Preacher:

***Firm Foundation: The Origin Story of Jesus (2 of 11)***

**“Too Good to Be True” - Rev. Dr. Mark McIlraith**

## DISCUSSION

This is a general guide. Feel free to allow discussion to go where it needs to.

Open with Prayer

- How was your week? Any follow-up insights from last week's discussion?
- Read the Scripture Text
- What are your general thoughts, impressions, and takeaways from Sunday's sermon?
- Have you ever longed for something so very much that it seemed impossible? You've waited and waited, you've done the right things, but still nothing happens? What do you think God might have been doing through that circumstance?
- Zechariah was silenced, keeping God's promise of a Messiah and baby John a secret. God often grows divine promises in secret – in ways that are imperceptible to us – and yet they come to fruition. Why do you think God sometimes unfolds his promises this way?



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- Are there promises that seem “too good to be true” with our faith? How can we trust in God’s promises when we are waiting and can’t see any evidence that they are unfolding?
- As you conclude your time, what insights will you walk away with?

Close with Prayer (allow for prayer requests as appropriate)