

Community Group Discussion Questions

Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church ♦ November 27 – December 3, 2022

First Sunday of Advent ♦ Luke 1:5-25 “News Too Good to Believe!”

1. Have several in your group describe a situation when they were greatly surprised. What happened? What was the outcome of the surprise?
2. Which do you enjoy more, being the one who initiates the surprise or being the recipient of the surprise? Why?
3. Imagine yourself as Zechariah in the story. How would you have explained to your wife, Elizabeth, why you can't speak? How would you have explained the promise of God that you would yet have a child?
4. Pastor Rick described God as “*notoriously unpredictable*”. What do you think he meant by that?
5. Read aloud both Numbers 23:19 and Hebrews 10:23. Why is it important to you personally that God will be faithful to fulfill his promises?
6. The pastor mentioned that God's act of giving Elizabeth a baby was both an act of *grace* and a removal of her *disgrace*. Describe how you have either been a recipient of God's grace, or seen His work in your life remove an issue of disgrace.