

## The Prophecy of Zacharias

In the Gospel of Luke, the story is told of the birth of John the Baptist. A priest named Zacharias and his wife Elizabeth were visited by an angel of the Lord, and told that they would have a child even though they were both of advanced age, and Elizabeth was barren. The miraculous birth came about, and upon the birth of his son, Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied concerning the coming Messiah, and also that the child born to him and Elizabeth would prepare the way of the Lord. *And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began: that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; the oath which he sware to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life. And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel.* Luke 1:67-80.

Through gematria, which uses the numerical value of Hebrew and Greek words, the fulfillment of Zacharias' prophecy is confirmed. The numerical value of Hebrew root words in text which is consistent with what is written in Luke proves the truth of Scripture through equal gematria values of Greek words found in the Bible.

It is written that when his son whom he named John was born, Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost. The name John is not used in the Old Testament. This name as found in modern Hebrew translations of the New Testament is Yochanan, and is written as יוֹחָנָן, which is used in the following. Each Hebrew root word in the sentence is identified by its reference number according to *Strong's Concordance*, as will be done for all other words.

**John (Yochanan) (no Strong's #) was born, (H3205) and his father (H1) was filled (H4390) with the Holy (H6944) Ghost (Spirit). (H7307)**

יוֹחָנָן ילד אב מלא קדש רוח

214 + 404 + 71 + 3 + 44 + 124 = **860**

**HOLY (G40) GHOST (SPIRIT) (G4151) = Ἅγιος Πνεῦμα = 284 + 576 = 860**

The following Hebrew root words restate exactly what is written in Greek, as found in Luke.

**Zacharias (Zechariah), (H2148) was filled (H4390) with the Holy (H6944) Spirit (Ghost) (H7307) and prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) Blessed (H1288) be the LORD (H3068) God (H430) of Israel; (H3478) for (H3588) he has redeemed (H1350) his people, (H5971) and has raised up (H6965) an horn (H7161) of salvation (H3468) for us in the house (H1004) of his servant (H5650) David; (H1732) as (H834) he spoke (H1696) by (H4480) the mouth (H6310) of his holy (H6944) prophets. (H5030)**

זכירה מלא קדש רוח אבא אמר ברך יהוה אלהים ישראל כי גאל עם קום קרן ישע  
בית עבד דוד אשר דבר מן פה קדש נביא

63 + 404 + 85 + 90 + 206 + 501 + 14 + 76 + 412 + 380 + 350 + 146 + 110 + 34 + 30 + 541 + 86  
+ 26 + 222 + 241 + 53 + 214 + 404 + 71 + 242 = **5001**

**ZECHARIAS (G2197) WAS FILLED (G4130) WITH THE HOLY (G40) GHOST (G4151) AND (H2532) PROPHESED (G4395) = Ζαχαρίας πλήθω Ἅγιος Πνεῦμα καὶ προφητεύω = 920 + 927 + 284 + 576 + 31 + 2263 = 5001**

Several different Hebrew root words which have the same meaning are used in the following text in place of those that were used in the prior Hebrew text: H5782 is used for “raised up” instead of H6965; H3444 is used for “salvation” in place of H3468, and H5921 is used for “by,” and not H4480 as used previously. Also, in the prior text no word is used for “for” in “horn of salvation for us.” In the OT, this is often how it is written, but many times either H5921 or H413 are translated as “for.” The following text uses H413.

**His father, (H1) Zacharias (Zechariah), (H2148) was filled (H4390) with the Holy (H6944) Spirit (Ghost) (H7307) and prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) Blessed (H1288) be the LORD (H3068) God (H430) of Israel; (H3478) for (H3588) he has visited (H6485) and redeemed (H1350) his people, (H5971) and has raised up (H5782) a horn (H7161) of salvation (H3444) for (H413) us in the house (H1004) of his servant (H5650) David; (H1732) as (H834) he spoke (H1696) by (H5921) the mouth (H6310) of his holy (H6944) prophets , (H5030) which (H834) have been since (H4480) the world (H8398) began. (H2490)**

אב זכירה מלא קדש רוח אבא אמר ברך יהוה אלהים ישראל כי פקד גאל עם עור  
קרן ישועה אל בית עבד דוד אשר דבר על פה קדש נביא אשר מן תבל חלל

68 + 432 + 90 + 501 + 63 + 404 + 85 + 100 + 206 + 501 + 14 + 76 + 412 + 31 + 391 + 350 +  
276 + 110 + 34 + 184 + 30 + 541 + 86 + 26 + 222 + 241 + 53 + 214 + 404 + 71 + 242 + 3 = **6461**

**HIS (G846) FATHER (G3962) ZECHARIAS (G2197) WAS FILLED (G4130) WITH THE HOLY (G40) GHOST (G4151) AND (H2532) PROPHESED (G4395) = αὐτός πατήρ Ζαχαρίας πλήθω Ἅγιος Πνεῦμα καὶ προφητεύω = 971 + 489 + 920 + 927 + 284 + 576 + 31 + 2263 = 6461**

The “horn of salvation in the house of David” through which the people would be redeemed is Jesus Christ.

**His father, (H1) Zacharias (Zechariah), (H2148) prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) the LORD (H3068) God (H430) has visited (H6485) and redeemed (H1350) his people, (H5971) and has raised up (H6965) a horn (H7161) of salvation (H3444) for us in the house (H1004) of his servant (H5650) David. (H1732)**

אב זכירה אבא אמר יהוה אלהים פקד גאל עם קום קרן ישועה אל בית עבד דוד

14 + 76 + 412 + 391 + 350 + 146 + 110 + 34 + 184 + 86 + 26 + 241 + 53 + 242 + 3 = **2368**

**JESUS (G2424) CHRIST (G5547) = Ἰησοῦς Χριστός = 800 + 1480 = 2368**

**John’s (Yochanan), (no Strong’s #) father (H1) was filled (H4390) with the Holy (H6944) Spirit (Ghost) (H7307) and prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) Blessed (H1288) be the LORD (H3068) God, (H430) for (H3588) he has redeemed (H1350) his people, (H5971) and has raised up (H5782) an horn (H7161) of salvation (H3444) for (H413) us in the house (H1004) of his servant (H5650) David. (H1732)**

יוחנן אב מלא קדש רוח נבא אמר ברוך יהוה אלהים כי גאל עם עור קרן ישועה אל בית עבד דוד

14 + 76 + 412 + 31 + 391 + 350 + 276 + 110 + 34 + 30 + 86 + 26 + 222 + 241 + 53 + 214 + 404 + 71 + 3 + 124 = **3168**

**LORD (G2962) JESUS (G2424) CHRIST (G5547) = Κύριος Ἰησοῦς Χριστός = 800 + 888 + 1480 = 3168**

Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied the coming Messiah; and he prophesied concerning his son, who would prepare the way of the Lord.

**When his child (H3206) was born (H3205) he was filled (H4390) with the Holy (H6944) Spirit (Ghost) (H7307) and prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) Thou (H859) shall be (H1961) called (H7121) the prophet (H5030) of the Highest: (H5945) for (H3588) you shall go before (H6923) the face (H6440) of the LORD (H3068) to prepare (H3559) his ways. (H1870)**

ילד ילד מלא קדש רוח נבא אמר אתה יהיה קרא נביא עליון כי קדם פנים יהוה בון דרך

224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 44 + 406 + 241 + 53 + 44 + 44 = **2707**

**ZECHARIAS (G2197) WAS FILLED (G4130) WITH THE HOLY (G40) GHOST (G4151) = Ζαχαρίας πλήθω Ἅγιος Πνεῦμα = 920 + 927 + 284 + 576 = 2707**

The Lord Jesus Christ is the one for whom the son of Zacharias would prepare the way.

**Thou, (H859) child, (H3206) shall be (H1961) called (H7121) the prophet (H5030) of the Highest: (H5945) for (H3588) you shall go before (H6923) the face (H6440) of the LORD (H3068) to prepare (H3559) his ways. (H1870)**

אתה ילד היה קרא נביא עליון כי קדם פנים יהוה בון דרך

$$224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 44 + 406 = 1680$$

**CHRIST (G2962) = Χριστοῦ = 1680**

**Thou, (H859) child, (H1121) shall be (H1961) called (H7121) the prophet (H5030) of the Highest: (H5945) for (H3588) you shall go before (H6923) the face (H6440) of the LORD (H3068) to prepare (H3559) his ways. (H1870)**

אתה בן היה קרא נביא עליון כי קדם פנים יהוה בון דרך

$$224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 52 + 406 = 1688$$

**LORD (G2962) JESUS (G2424) = Κύριος Ἰησοῦς = 800 + 888 = 1688**

**Zacharias (Zechariah) (H2148) prophesied (H5012) concerning (H5921) his son, (H1121) saying, (H559) Thou, (H859) child, (H3206) shall be (H1961) called (H7121) the prophet (H5030) of the Highest: (H5945) for (H3588) you shall go before (H6923) the face (H6440) of the LORD (H3068) to prepare (H3559) his ways. (H1870)**

זכריה אבא על בן אמר אתה ילד היה קרא נביא עליון כי קדם פנים יהוה בון דרך

$$224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 44 + 406 + 241 + 52 + 100 + 53 + 242 = 2368$$

**JESUS (G2424) CHRIST (G5547) = Ἰησοῦς Χριστός = 800 + 1480 = 2368**

The son of Zacharias who would prepare the way of the Lord is John the Baptist.

**When (H3588) he was born, (H3205) Zacharias (Zechariah), (H2148) prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) Thou (H859) child (H3206) shall be (H1961) called (H7121) the prophet (H5030) of the Highest: (H5945) for (H3588) you shall go before (H6923) the face (H6440) of the LORD (H3068) to prepare (H3559) his ways. (H1870)**

כי ילד זכריה נבא אמר אתה ילד היה קרא נביא עליון כי קדם פנים יהוה בון דרך

$$224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 44 + 406 + 241 + 53 + 242 + 44 + 30 = 2290$$

**JOHN** (G2491) **THE** (G3588) **BAPTIST** (G910) (all are root word spellings) = Ἰωάννης ὁ βαπτιστής = 1119 + 70 + 1101 = **2290**

John the Baptist was called a prophet of the Highest.

**Zacharias (Zechariah)** (H2148) **prophesied,** (H5012) **saying,** (H559) **Thou,** (H859) **child,** (H3206) **shall be** (H1961) **called** (H7121) **the prophet** (H5030) **of the Highest:** (H5945) **for** (H3588) **you shall go before** (H6923) **the face** (H6440) **of the LORD** (H3068) **to prepare** (H3559) **his ways;** (H1870) **to give** (H5414) **knowledge** (H1847) **of salvation** (H3444) **unto his people** (H5971) **by** (H5921) **the remission (forgiveness)** (H5547) **of their sins,** (H2400) **through** (H5921) **the tender mercy** (H7356) **of our God.** (H430)

זְכוּרָה נְבִיא אָמַר אֶתְּהָ יֶלֶד הָיָה קָרָא נְבִיא עֲלֵיוֹן כִּי קָדַם פְּנִים יְהוָה בְּוֶן דֶּרֶךְ נִתֵּן  
דַּעַת יְשׁוּעָה עִם עַל סְלִיחָה חַטָּאָה עַל רַחֵם אֱלֹהִים

86 + 248 + 100 + 23 + 113 + 100 + 110 + 391 + 474 + 500 + 224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 44 + 406 + 241 + 53 + 242 = **4002**

**SHALL BE CALLED** (G2564) **A PROPHET** (G4396) **OF THE HIGHEST** (G5310) = καλέω προφήτης ὑψιστος = 856 + 1266 + 1880 = **4002**

In the root word Hebrew text for the following numerical word association several different words of the same meaning are used. The Hebrew word H4480 is used for “by” and “through,” for which H5921 was used in the previous instance. A different Hebrew root word is used for “knowledge” (H1847 in place of H3045.) Also, instead of the Hebrew word for “tender mercy,” (H7356) the word for “mercy” (H2617) is used.

**Zacharias (Zechariah),** (H2148) **was filled** (H4390) **with the Holy** (H6944) **Spirit (Ghost)** (H7307) **and prophesied,** (H5012) **saying,** (H559) **Thou,** (H859) **child,** (H3206) **shall be** (H1961) **called** (H7121) **the prophet** (H5030) **of the Highest:** (H5945) **for** (H3588) **you shall go before** (H6923) **the face** (H6440) **of the LORD** (H3068) **to prepare** (H3559) **his ways;** (H1870) **to give** (H5414) **knowledge** (H1847) **of salvation** (H3444) **unto his people** (H5971) **by** (H4480) **the remission (forgiveness)** (H5547) **of their sins,** (H2400) **through** (H4480) **the mercy** (H2617) **of our God.** (H430)

זְכוּרָה מְלֵא קֹדֶשׁ רוּחַ נְבִיא אָמַר אֶתְּהָ יֶלֶד הָיָה קָרָא נְבִיא עֲלֵיוֹן כִּי קָדַם פְּנִים יְהוָה  
בְּוֶן דֶּרֶךְ נִתֵּן דַּעַת יְשׁוּעָה עִם מִן סְלִיחָה חַטָּאָה מִן חֶסֶד אֱלֹהִים

86 + 72 + 90 + 23 + 113 + 90 + 110 + 391 + 474 + 500 + 224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 44 + 406 + 241 + 53 + 214 + 404 + 71 + 242 = **4827**

In the text to follow, a different Hebrew root word is used for “salvation” (H3468), and the word for “unto” (H413) is used, which was not done in the previous text, but is sometimes used in Scripture along with the word for “give.”

**When (H3588) John's (Yochanan) (no Strong's #) was born, (H3205) Zacharias (Zechariah), (H2148) his father, (H1) was filled (H4390) with the Holy (H6944) Spirit (Ghost) (H7307) and prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) Thou, (H859) child, (H3206) shall be (H1961) called (H7121) the prophet (H5030) of the Highest: (H5945) for (H3588) you shall go before (H6923) the face (H6440) of the LORD (H3068) to prepare (H3559) his ways; (H1870) to give (H5414) knowledge (H1847) of salvation (H3468) unto (H413) his people (H5971) by (H4480) the remission (forgiveness) (H5547) of their sins. (H2400)**

כי יוחנן ילד זכיריה אב מלא קדש רוח נבא אמר אתה ילד היה קרא נביא עליון כי  
קדם פנים יהוה בון דרך נתן דעת ישע אל עם מן סליחה חטאה

23 + 113 + 90 + 110 + 31 + 380 + 474 + 500 + 224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 + 30 + 166 + 63 + 301  
+ 20 + 44 + 406 + 241 + 53 + 214 + 404 + 71 + 3 + 242 + 44 + 124 + 30 = **4827**

**THOU, (G4471) CHILD, (G3813) SHALL BE CALLED (G2564) A PROPHET (G4396) OF THE HIGHEST (G5310) = σύ παιδίον καλέω προφήτης ὑψιστος = 600 + 225 + 856 + 1266 + 1880 = 4827**

In the following text, a different Hebrew word is used for “when” (H834 instead of H3588), and the Hebrew word H1121, which is translated as either “son” or “child” is used for “child” instead of H3206 in previous instances.

**When (H834) his son (H1121) John (Yochanan) (no Strong's #) was born, (H3205) Zacharias (Zechariah) (H2148) prophesied, (H5012) saying, (H559) Thou, (H859) child, (H1121) shall be (H1961) called (H7121) the prophet (H5030) of the Highest: (H5945) for (H3588) you shall go before (H6923) the face (H6440) of the LORD (H3068) to prepare (H3559) his ways; (H1870) to give (H5414) knowledge (H1847) of salvation (H3444) unto (H413) his people (H5971) by (H5921) the remission (forgiveness) (H5547) of their sins, (H2400) through (H5921) the tender mercy (H7356) of our God. (H430)**

אשר בן יוחנן ילד זכיריה נבא אמר אתה בן היה קרא נביא עליון כי קדם פנים  
יהוה בון דרך נתן דעת ישועה אל עם על סליחה חטאה על חסד אלהים

86 + 248 + 100 + 23 + 113 + 100 + 110 + 31 + 391 + 474 + 500 + 224 + 76 + 26 + 180 + 144 +  
30 + 166 + 63 + 301 + 20 + 52 + 406 + 241 + 53 + 242 + 44 + 124 + 52 + 501 = **5121**

**JOHN (G2491) WAS CALLED (G2564) A PROPHET (G4396) OF THE HIGHEST (G5310) = Ἰωάννης καλέω προφήτης ὑψιστος = 1119 + 856 + 1266 + 1880 = 5121**

Zacharias' prophecy concerning his son was fulfilled.

**The prophecy (H5016) of Zacharias (Zechariah) (H2148) concerning (H5921) his son (H1121) was fulfilled, (H4390) and John (Yochanan) (no Strong's #) prepared (H3559) the way (H1870) of the LORD, (H3068) and gave (H5414) knowledge (H3045) of salvation**

(H3444) unto his people (H5971) by (H4480) the remission (forgiveness) (H5547) of their sins. (H2400)

נבואה זכירה על בן מלא יוחנן בון דרך יהוה נתן ידע ישועה עם מן סליחה חטאה

23 + 113 + 90 + 110 + 391 + 84 + 500 + 26 + 224 + 76 + 124 + 71 + 52 + 100 + 242 + 64 = **2290**

**JOHN** (G2491) **THE** (G3588) **BAPTIST** (G910) = Ἰωάννης ὁ Βαπτιστής = 1119 + 70 + 1101 = **2290**

John the Baptist prepared the way of the Lord, and proclaimed that salvation comes through repentance and the remission of sins through the mercy of God. Jesus Christ is the horn of salvation in the house of David who offered himself as the one sacrifice forever for the forgiveness of our sins.