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Sermon Outline

“God Prepares His People for His Gracious Coming”  
*Luke 3:1-20*

1. God’s messenger prepares the people for his arrival. (vv. 1-6)

* God’s coming will have a historic context. (vv. 1-2)
* God’s coming requires repentance. (vv. 2-3)
* God’s coming fulfills his promises. (vv. 4-6)

1. God’s messenger preaches his message (vv. 7-14)

* God’s message provides a warning. (vv. 7-9)
* God’s message invites particular repentance. (vv. 10-14)

1. God’s messenger promises someone greater than himself. (vv. 15-18)

* The promised one is greater than John. (v. 16)
* The promised one’s baptism is greater than John’s baptism. (v. 16)