

CLASS 1 - John
the Baptist's Birth
& Purpose

the

Life

CHRIST of

MEMORY VERSE



“For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass

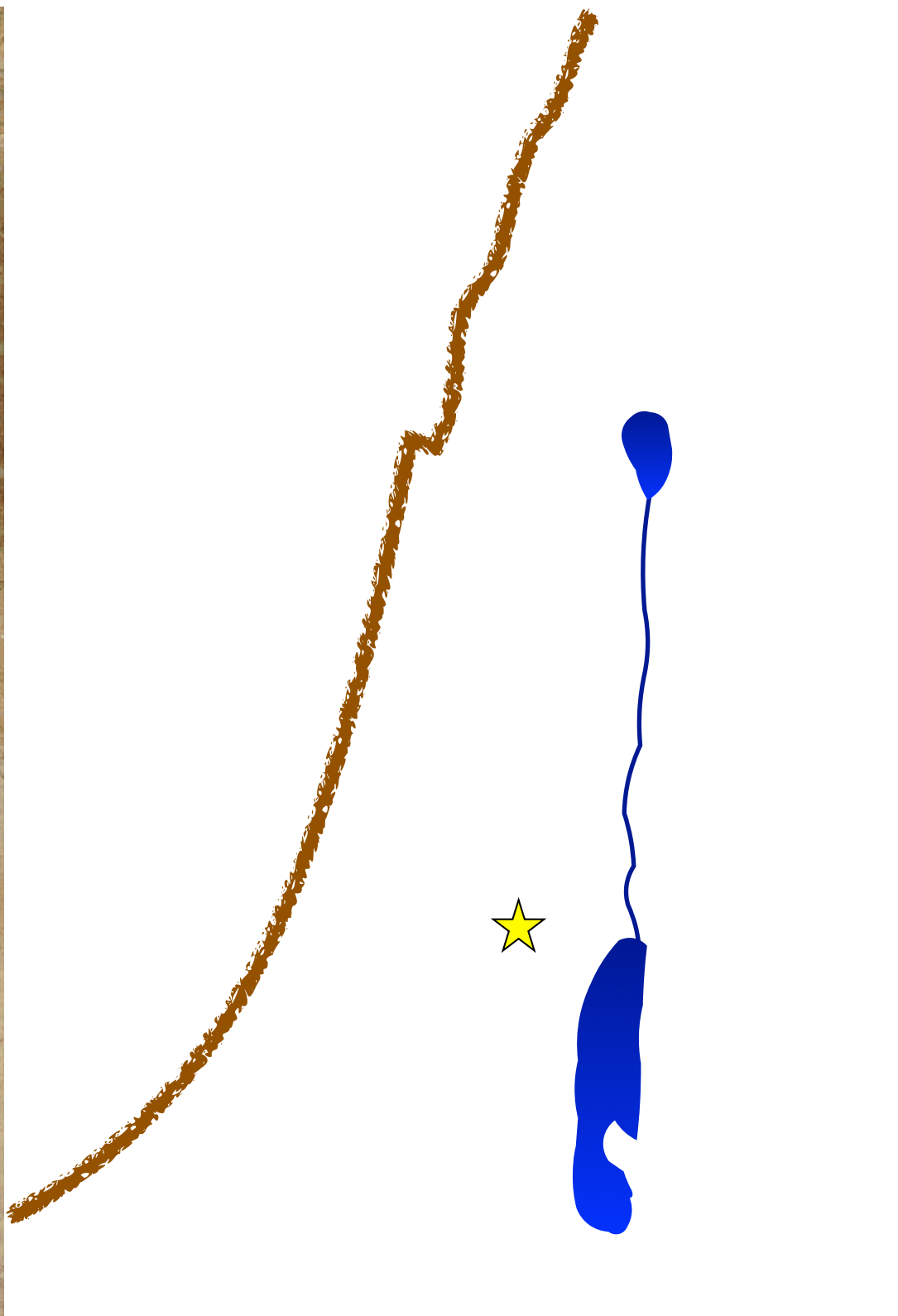


away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from

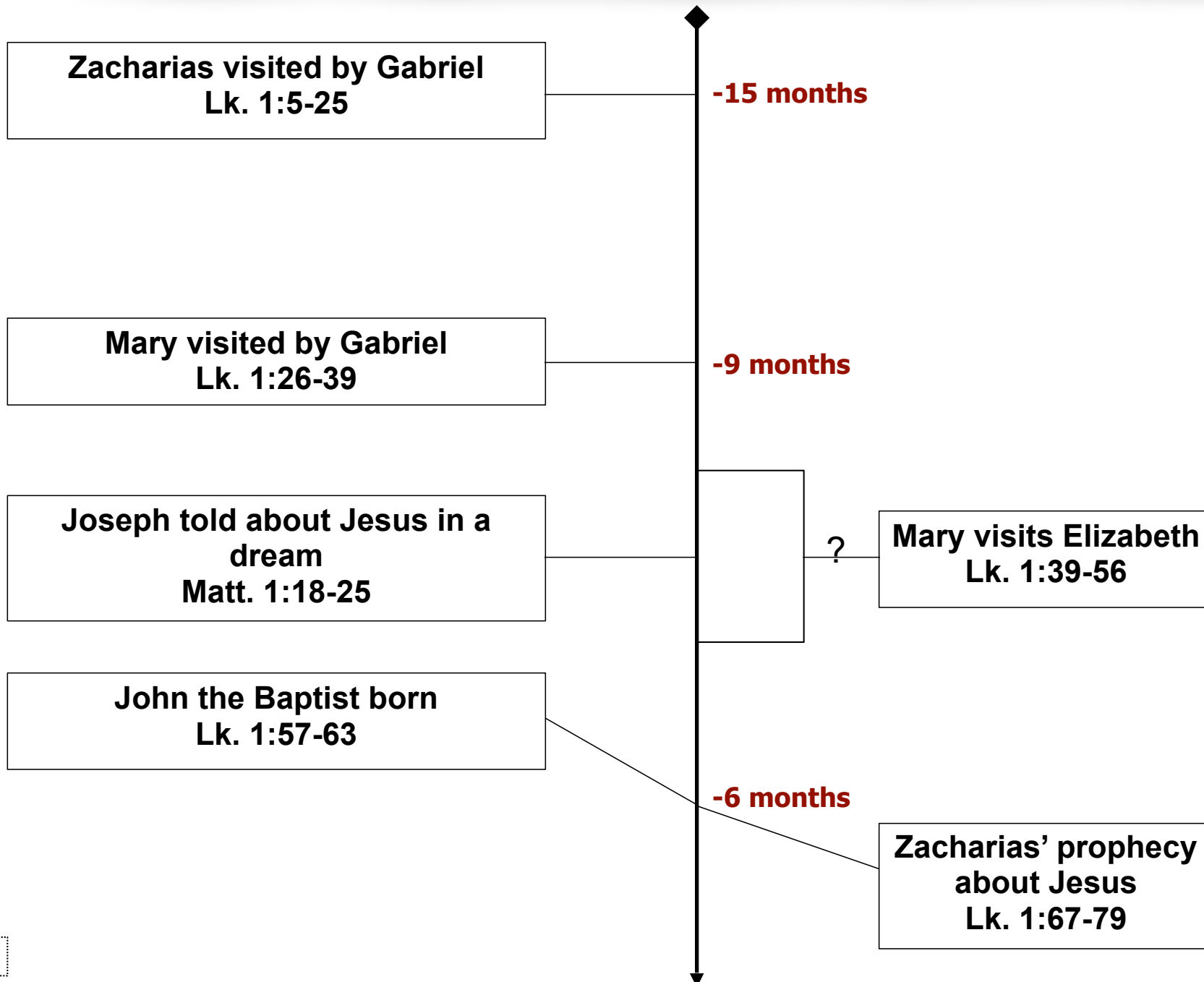


the Law until all is accomplished.”

MATTHEW 5:18



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Zacharias visited by Gabriel
Lk. 1:5-25

-15
months

- ◆ **Herod was king of Judea (Herod the Great)**
 - * all Israel was in pain and oppression (comp. to Mic. 4:10)
- ◆ **The lot to burn incense was likely once in a lifetime**
 - * roughly 20,000 Jewish priests at this time
- ◆ **Gabriel is one of the few named angels (also in Dan. 8)**
 - * He waited 500 years to finish this message!
- ◆ **John's purpose is to be the forerunner for Jesus**
 - * Gabriel quotes Malachi 4:5 and Jesus will confirm it in Matt 17:12-13
- ◆ **Zacharias didn't have faith and was struck mute**
 - * Elizabeth secluded herself for the first 5 months of the pregnancy

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NAZARETH
was where
Mary
originally
lived!

JESUS
(shortened version
of Joshua)
“the salvation of
Jehovah”

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Lk. 1:5-25

**-15
months**

Mary visited by Gabriel
Lk. 1:26-39

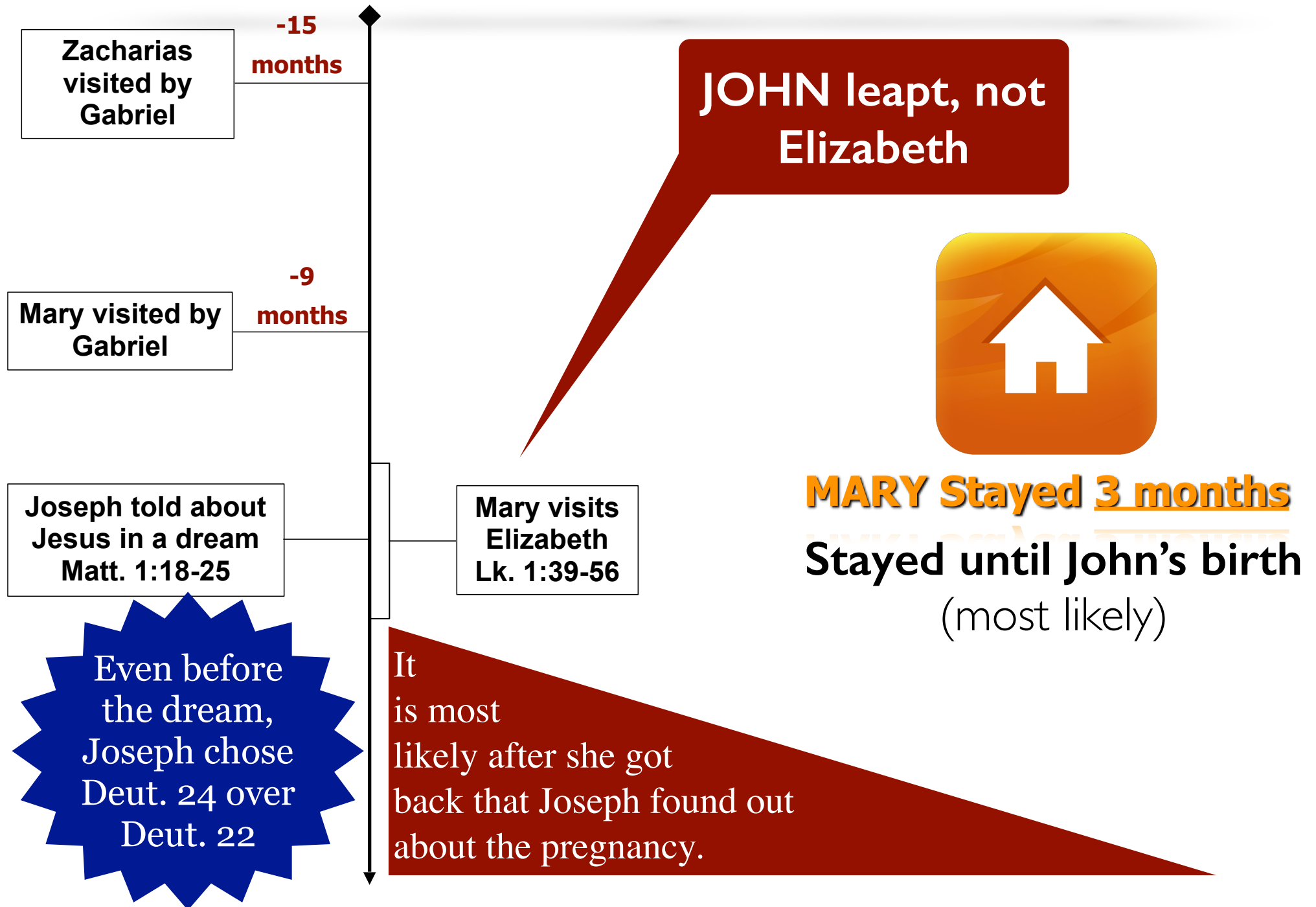
**-9
months**

“But she [Mary] was very **perplexed** at this statement” (Lk 1:29)

Zacharias didn’t
believe (Lk 1:20). Mary
believed and was
disturbed by the
news.

“stirred up, troubled,
agitated, made restless”

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JOHN was born 6 months before Jesus.

Everything about his birth was **PUBLIC** and **BIG NEWS**

and then John lived in the wilderness

Zacharias visited by Gabriel

-15 months

Mary visited by Gabriel

-9 months

Joseph told about Jesus in a dream
Matt. 1:18-25

Mary visits Elizabeth
Lk. 1:39-56

John the Baptist born
Lk. 1:57-63

-6 months

Zacharias' prophecy about Jesus
Lk. 1:67-79

ZACHARIAS' PROPHECY

- * "HOUSE of DAVID" (vs. 69)
- * JOHN would be JESUS' PROPHET (vs. 76)
- * PREPARE THEM WITH KNOWLEDGE OF SALVATION THAT WAS COMING (vs. 77)

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