

Oaklands Chapel – Assignment – January 11 2009

Luke 2:21-52 Two Childhood Temple visits: Indications of Coming Glory

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1. Pick out all the phrases that Luke uses to demonstrate that Mary and Joseph sought to follow the Law.
2. Why does Luke stress this aspect of Joseph and Mary's character?
3. We are not under the Law but suggest some things that we, as believer priests, would, or should be doing, that would please God.
4. What is the significance of the sacrifice mentioned in v 24 and what does the fact that Mary and Joseph offered two turtle doves or two pigeons, indicate.
5. Discuss the words, righteous and devout, used to describe Simeon. Why are they important and complimentary characteristics?
6. Apart from his basic character what can Simeon teach us about living life in a way that pleases God?
7. What does Simeon teach us about dying?
8. What part of Simeon's message reminds us that we may be in the center of God's will but still experience deep pain and suffering?
9. What does Anna's life say to those who have lost a partner?
10. What do you think is Luke's reason for including Simeon and Anna into the story of Jesus?
11. As Luke describes the growth of Jesus in v 40 what is he revealing?
12. What does Luke want us to see in this Passover incident v41-50?