

A Light for Revelation to the Gentiles

Luke 2:21-40

Key Verse: 32

Discussion Questions

- How does knowing Jesus gives us hope and vision for our redemption and for the world?
- Who was Jesus for Simeon and Anna at a personal, local and global level? How about to you?

Inductive Questions

1. Why did Joseph and Mary name him Jesus? (21; 1:31) What was the purpose of circumcision? (Ge 17:1-14; Ro 2:29) Of presenting the firstborn? (Ex 13:2,12; Nu 18:14-16) Of purification rites? (Lv 12:6-8) Why did Jesus, the Son of God have to go through the Law? (He 2:17)
2. Who was Simeon? (25) What was he waiting for and what does this mean? (Isa 40:1-2; 2 Cor 1:3-4) How did he recognize Jesus? (25b-27)
3. What promise did he receive from God? (26, 29-30) How does God's vision open our eyes from ourselves and extends to the whole world? (32)
4. How did Mary and Joseph react? (33) What does Simeon's prophecy tell us about Jesus? (34) What great pain would Mary experience? (35)
5. What sorrow did Anna go through? (36-37) How did God lead her life? What did she see in Jesus? (38) Why is redemption important for all Jerusalem and all people? How does the author describe Jesus early childhood development? (39)