

(prayed over by the elders)

Prayer Requests

Advent Series Theme: Gospels Endurance

Simeon's Prophecy

Luke 2:25-32

Introduction- It is no accident that Simeon's story is full of references to the Holy Spirit. In a period of time decades before the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost, here was a man who lived a godly life. He was so in tune with God that the only way to express it was in terms of the closeness of God's Spirit to his daily habits.

I. Like Simeon we can be filled with the Spirit. V. 25

Simeon was waiting for the consolation of Israel. In other words, he was waiting for the comfort the Messiah would bring to this people at His coming.
The gospel of Luke says, "the Holy Spirit was upon him". Later Luke would identify such believers as "filled with the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:4, 4:31)
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A Spirit filled believer has settled the Lordship issue. Simeon called him "Sovereign Lord" (v. 29). The Spirit filled believer prays a prayer like this "Lord out of love, I surrender to your absolute ownership and authority".
Spirit filled believers have eyes to see God's plan of salvation (30-32) and see God's hand at work.

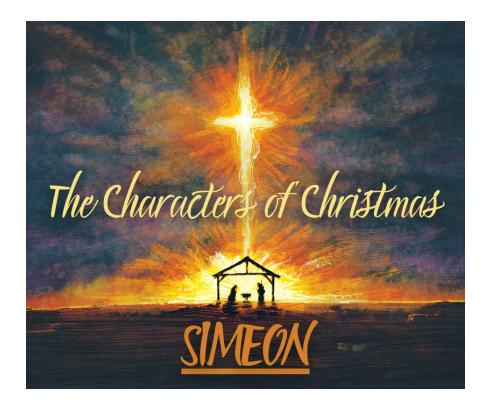
II. Like Simeon, we can walk in the Spirit. (v. 26)

- The Holy Spirit had revealed to Simeon "that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ.
- Only those who walk in the Spirit can receive such knowledge. For them living close to God is not occasional but constant.
- Those who walk "in the Spirit will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. (Gal 5:16)
- Those who walk in the Spirit come better prepared to face the end of life, as Simon was. (v. 29)

III. Like Simeon, we can be led by the Spirit. (v. 27)

- Simeon, "moved by the Spirit", went to the temple at the precise time Jesus' parents brought him in for presentation.
- Paul said, "Those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children". (Romans 8:14, 16)
- Being led by the Spirit requires a personal, intimate, affectionate, relationship in which God is our loving Father and we are His obedient children.

Conclusion/application- Have you surrendered to Jesus as the Lord of your life? Are you living a Spirit filled/led life?



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Welcome! We're glad you're here.

If you are a visitor today or church member with a prayer request or if you need to contact a staff member or elder, please take a moment to fill out the attached connection card and place it in the offering plate, located at the back of the sanctuary.

Nurserv is available for children ages 0 up to 4 years old. KidZone is available today for kids age 4-5th grade. Today's KidZone volunteers are Amber Dreese, Susan Raymer, and Blake Stevens. All our workers have clearances and have been properly trained.

Bob Hocker will be leading us in praver.

Pastor Ron will be blessing us with the message. Advent Series-Simeon's Prophesy.

The worship team will be leading the following songs: Light of the World, O Little Town of Bethlehem, First Noel, and Glory in he Highest

Thank you for spending your morning with us!

Contact us on our cell phones if you need us. **Church Center** Sunday App QR code: 9:30am Worship Service

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Second offering this month will go to Elizabeth Sheddy, Envision Atlanta.

Prison fellowship "Angel Tree" equips churches to strengthen relationships between incarcerated parents and their children. Greenview is blessed to have the opportunity to purchase gifts for several children in our community this year. Please see display to the left of our coffee area. Return gift wrap items with Angel tree tags attached to front by 12/17. See Sue Raymer or Carol Fish with any guestions.

Special Holiday Services:

Christmas Eve - 4:00 & 6:00 PM **Christmas Morning - 9:30 AM**

Just a reminder: there is NO Youth Group or AWANA next week, or the following week. (12-25 and 1-1)





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