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**And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord**

**LUKE 2:22**

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(as it is written in the Law of the Lord,  
“Every male who first opens the womb  
shall be called holy to the Lord”)

LUKE 2:23

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and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.”

LUKE 2:24

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Now there was a man in Jerusalem,  
whose name was Simeon, and this  
man was righteous and devout,  
waiting for the consolation of Israel,  
and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

LUKE 2:25

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**And it had been revealed to him by  
the Holy Spirit that he would not  
see death before he had seen the  
Lord's Christ.**

**LUKE 2:26**

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**And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the Law,**

**LUKE 2:27**

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**he took Him up in his arms and  
blessed God and said,**

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**“Lord, now You are letting Your  
servant depart in peace, according  
to Your Word;”**

**LUKE 2:29**

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**“for my eyes have seen  
Your salvation”**

**LUKE 2:30**

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**“that You have prepared in the  
presence of all peoples,”**

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**“a light for revelation to the  
Gentiles, and for glory to Your  
people Israel.”**

**LUKE 2:32**

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**And His father and His mother  
marveled at what was said about Him.**

**LUKE 2:33**

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**And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this Child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed”**

**LUKE 2:34**

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**“(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”**

**LUKE 2:35**

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And there was a prophetess, Anna,  
the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe  
of Asher. She was advanced in years,  
having lived with her husband seven  
years from when she was a virgin,

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and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day.

LUKE 2:37

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**And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of Him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.**

**LUKE 2:38**

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**Jesus is the  
fulfillment of our  
deepest hopes  
and longings.**

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