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22 When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord



²³ (as it is written in the Law of the Lord,
“Every firstborn male is to be
consecrated to the Lord”),
²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with
what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a
pair of doves or two young pigeons.”



²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him.



²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Messiah.



²⁷ Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required,
²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:



29 “Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,
you may now dismiss your servant
in peace.

30 For my eyes have seen your salvation,



³¹ which you have prepared in the sight
of all nations:

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and the glory of your people Israel.”



33 The child's father and mother
marveled at what was said about him.
34 Then Simeon blessed them and said
to Mary, his mother:



“This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against,
³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.”

—Luke 2:22-35



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“Faith is different from proof. The latter is human, the former is a gift from God.”

—Blaise Pascal



“In faith there is enough light for those who want to believe and enough shadows to blind those who don’t.”

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—Luke 2:34b-35



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“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.”



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