



“After Christmas Connections”

Luke 2:21-35

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●We know all about those “pre-Christmas connections” made that very first Christmas for the magi, the shepherds, Mary and Joseph, but what about the “after Christmas connections?”

●There are several personal after Christmas connections that we could look at in the pages of the NT. But this morning I want us to look at an often overlooked player in the first Christmas event.

Meet Simeon:

Three Observations about Simeon!

1. He believed the Word of God.

📖 **Romans 4:20-21**— *Abraham never wavered in believing God's promise. In fact, his faith grew stronger, and in this he brought glory to God. He was fully convinced that God is able to do whatever he promises.*

2. He was led by the Spirit of God

📖 **Luke 2:26-27**— *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. So he came by 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*

3. He obeyed the will of God

📖 **Luke 2:27**— *So he came by 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,*

Simeon's Song.

Three Observations about Simeon's Song!

1. It was a song of salvation.

📖 **Luke 2:29**— *“Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word;*

2. It was a song of revelation.

📖 **Luke 2:30-32**— *For my eyes have seen Your salvation Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel.”*

Three Prophetic Words from his Prophecy:

◇ A A Stone.

◇ B A Sign.

◇ C A Sword.

3. It was a song of adoration.

So What?

- ◇ Can you open your heart to Jesus as Simeon did?
- ◇ Come to Jesus to be blessed and loved.
- ◇ How will you receive Him when He comes again?
- ◇ Be like Simeon and allow God to completely control your life.