

“SIMEON, The Promise of Hope”

Sunday, December 4, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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Luke 2:21-35

DO: How is hope an evidence of genuine saving faith? Tell at least one other person what hope you have in Christ at this present time.

BIG IDEA: God has promised us HOPE.

*“[Simeon] was righteous and devout,
looking forward to Israel’s consolation...”
Luke 2:25b (CSB)*



Hope comes to the faithful.



Hope is focused on the future.



Hope is based on God’s Word.



Hope walks by faith, not by sight.



Hope is a person.

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READ: Luke 2:21-35

THINK: Think about Simeon’s hope-filled outlook, then ask yourself these questions:

What Mosaic laws are being fulfilled by the presentation of Jesus at the Temple in Jerusalem? What does this event tell you about Joseph and Mary? What does Simeon’s presence at the Temple on this particular day reveal about him? How is Simeon’s hope rewarded? In what ways is his hope yet unfulfilled? In his two prophecies (v29-32, 34-35), what was he predicting about the person and work of Jesus? Do you think Simeon’s comments to Joseph and Mary were more encouraging or discouraging to them? Why?