

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) What God promises always occurs; and He can be very precise in what He says will unfold because He knows the end from the beginning.
- 2) *2:21* Jesus' name is the combination of the covenant name for God (YHWH) and the noun "deliver"—"Salvation is of YHWH"
 - Jesus is His human name.
 - Christ is His official title.
 - Immanuel describes who He is.
 - Angels call him the Son of God.
- 3) *2:22-23* The first son was presented to the Lord and then bought back.
- 4) *2:24* God didn't need the money. The ransom was to remind the people that they belonged to Him.
- 5) *2:25* Unlike the other religious leaders, Simeon was looking forward with intense desire for the Promised One.
- 6) *2:28* How could Simeon have known that the Coming One would be an infant in the arms of a teenage girl?
 - The first Messianic prophecy in Genesis 3:15 makes it abundantly clear that the One coming would be from the descent/genealogy of a woman, not a man.
 - The prophet Isaiah tells that this Coming One would be born of a virgin, meaning He would have no human father (Isaiah 7:14).
- 7) *2:30-32* Simeon's song is a missionary hymn. Salvation is not only for Israel, but also for the World!
- 8) *2:33* This was the first time Mary and Joseph had been together to hear about the destiny of Jesus. They had been told their son was Messiah; they had not comprehended the scope.

GREEK/HEBREW WORDS

Paraklēsis (par-ak'-lay-sis)—to call alongside:- comfort, consolation, exhortation; Used in a judicial sense of an advocate who rendered legal aid/guidance
Zera '(zeh'-rah)—seed; posterity :- child

TODAY'S SONGS

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