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Study No. 4
The Wonder of Christmas - Salvation!

Read *Luke 2: 25-40*

Suggested Further Reading
 Isaiah 40: 1-5 Hebrews 2: 1-4 1 Peter 1: 10-12

Key Verse *Isaiah 7: 14*

Special events, like holidays, Christmas and birthdays, always seem a long way off, as we anticipate them. "Will it ever come?" we say. Then the day arrives. How exciting it is!

Simeon and Anna waited nearly all their lifetime for a special event they knew would happen, because they had read about it in their Scriptures, the Old Testament. They knew God would keep His promise. The Holy Spirit had told Simeon that he would not die before he had seen the Christ. Another name for 'the Christ' is 'the Messiah'.



Find one of the Old Testament promises which Simeon must have known well. (Isaiah 9: 6) Write in the boxes the names or titles which were going to be given to the Child.

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The One for whom Simeon had been waiting had come, the long promised Messiah! Simeon had seen Him with his own eyes! No wonder he praised God.

Fill in the details to get a 'PROFILE OF SIMEON'.

PROFILE OF SIMEON

What caused him to go to the Temple Court?

Whom did he take in his arms?

What did he then do?

Where did he live?

What words describe his character?

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WORD MAZE

Fill in the missing words from Simeon's prayer, THEN circle those words in the WORD MAZE.

"My eyes have seen Your _____."

"A _____ to the _____."

"The _____ of Your people Israel."



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Simeon wasn't the only one who was eagerly waiting for the Messiah. Anna, the prophetess had served God for many years and she, too, was overjoyed when she saw the Lord Jesus.

From which tribe did she come?

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What did she spend all her time doing?

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What did she do on seeing the Child?

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Hundreds of years before the birth of the Lord Jesus, God had promised that He would send a Saviour. Now He had come! God always keeps His promises.

Write out the Key Verse and look at Matthew 1: 22-23.

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In these studies we have seen that some people, like King Herod, didn't welcome the news about the birth of the Lord Jesus. However, the shepherds, the wise men, Simeon and Anna, not to mention Mary and Joseph did! Are you pleased about His birth? Have you thanked Him for coming into this world and asked Him to be your Saviour? Why not do that this Christmas?

"The Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world." 1 John 4: 14

A Very Happy Christmas to You!

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