

(Luke 2:21-38)

The Characters of Simeon

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Anna

(Sermon by Dave Jenkinson)



Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet, before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD. And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, "Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse."

Malachi: 4:5,6



The Silence of 400 Yrs.



**“All was
Silent..not a
word from
God”**

Jesus in
Luke 24:44

*".. which were written
... concerning Me."*

in the Law of Moses,

and the Prophets,

and the Psalms

Old Testament Books

Arrangement in
the
Hebrew Bible

The Law (Torah)

1. Genesis
2. Exodus
3. Leviticus
4. Numbers
5. Deuteronomy

The Prophets (Nebhim)

A. Former Prophets

1. Joshua
2. Judges
3. Samuel
4. Kings

B. Latter Prophets

1. Isaiah
2. Jeremiah
3. Ezekiel
4. The Twelve

The Writings (Kethubhim or Hagiographa)

A. Poetical Books

1. Psalms
2. Proverbs
3. Job

B. Five Rolls (Megilloth)

1. Song of Songs
2. Ruth
3. Lamentations
4. Esther
5. Ecclesiastes

C. Historical Books

1. Daniel
2. Ezra-Nehemiah
3. Chronicles

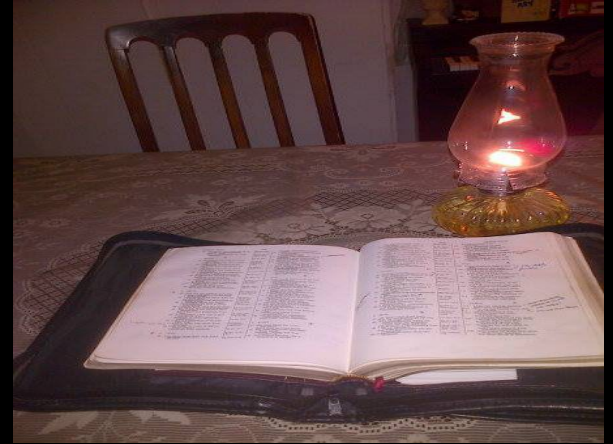
God Speaks Once More!

“God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,² has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;³ who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,”

(Hebrews 1:1-3)

God Speaks His Word!

John 1:1-4 'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.² He was in the beginning with God.³ All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.⁴ In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.'



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Part #2. Simeon Prays



" Lord, now You are letting
Your servant depart in peace,
according to your Word; 30 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.

(Luke 2:29-32)

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Part #3. Enter Anna!



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And coming in that instant
she gave thanks to the
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(witnessed)

Part #4-Application!

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4. The Joy of witnessing!

Challenge: Choose Now!



Acts 2:21 And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved!

Challenge: Choose Wisely!



That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.¹⁰ For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. (Romans 10:9,10)

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine

O what a foretaste of glory divine

Heir of salvation purchase of God

Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

Chorus

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Verse 2

Perfect submission perfect delight

Visions of rapture now burst on my sight

Angels descending bring from above

Echoes of mercy whispers of love

Chorus

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Verse 3

Perfect submission all is at rest

I in my Savior am happy and blest

Watching and waiting looking above

Filled with His goodness lost in His love

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Chorus

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

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Closing Prayer

