

THE PRESENTATION OF BABY JESUS
WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSE?
LUKE 2:25-35

I. SIMEON'S RESPONSE TO SEEING JESUS (HIS SALVATION): Simeon blesses God, Mary, and Joseph, declaring salvation truth concerning Jesus (25-35)

A. SIMEON THE BELIEVER DESCRIBED: He was righteous, devout, Spirit led, submissive servant, waiting for Jesus, the Lord's salvation **(25-27a)**

B. SIMEON RESPONDS TO SEEING JESUS BY BLESSING GOD, speaking of Jesus the Savior and Christ (27-33)

1. Holding Jesus, Simeon declares to the Lord that now he can die in peace because He has fulfilled His Word and he has seen His Salvation (27-30)

2. Holding Jesus, Simeon declares that Jesus is now before all as a light of revelation to Gentiles and Israel's glory (31-32)

3. Jesus' parents Joseph and Mary are amazed at what is being said about Him (33)

C. SIMEON BLESSES MARY AND JOSEPH, revealing that man's response to Jesus exposes their hearts and will determine their eternal destiny (34-35)

1. Your response to Jesus reveals your eternal destiny (34a)

2. Jesus will be opposed and the reality of opposition to Jesus will pierce even Mary's soul (34b-35a)

3. Your response to Jesus reveals your heart (35b)

II. WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSE TO JESUS? Have you seen His Salvation? Has He enlightened you concerning your sin and need of Him? If so, what is your response?