

Jesus as told by Luke  
Week's Reading: Luke 2:21-52  
Discussion Guide: January 1, 2023

**CHECK UP:**

Memory Work Review: Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come to his people and redeemed them. – Luke 1:68

What did you find most encouraging this Christmas season?

**OPEN:**

- What major goal in life have you always wanted to accomplish or see accomplished?

**READ and ASK: Luke 2:21-52**

- What laws are being followed by Mary and Joseph in this text (See Leviticus 12:1-8 and Exodus 13:2, 12-13)?
  - o What does this tell us about Mary and Joseph?
- In what ways can we see God working behind the scenes in this text?
- What attributes do we see in Simeon and Anna that is praiseworthy and worthy of us emulating?
- What truths about Jesus's role do we learn from this text?
- What did Simeon's warning to Mary mean? Did it come true? If so, how?
- How is Jesus still the cause of people "rising and falling" today?

**APPLY:**

- How are you a "result" of these prophecies of Jesus?
- How does this text further challenge you to commit to following Jesus daily?
- NEXT STEP: What action could you take this week to show your desire to be faithful to God? (like Simeon and Anna)

Memory Work:

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel." – Luke 2:30-32

Next Week's Reading:

Luke 3:1-38