

SIMEON'S REFLECTION

Luke 2:25-40

Guide _____

"Lord, your mighty power is alight for all nations, and it will bring honor to your people Israel." — Luke 2:32

1. Like Simeon and Anna, who are the elder "keepers of the faith" and full-of-wisdom for you? Who are some older "role models" who have taught you about God? Do you relate differently to older people now than you did when you were younger? If so, how?
2. Mary and Joseph took Jesus to Jerusalem because it was an important city for them. The temple was located there. Look at "Jerusalem in Jesus' time," page 182 in *The Lutheran Handbook*, and note some of the important events in Jesus' life that took place there. Also, in what other faith traditions is the city of Jerusalem important?
3. In **Luke 2:32**, Simeon prophesies that through Jesus, not only Jewish people but Gentiles also will come to believe in God. Read **Acts 10:44-48**. Why is it significant that the Gentiles in this story receive the Holy Spirit?
4. What does it mean to you to say that Jesus is the Light of the world?

5. Read **Luke 2:34-35**. Simeon also gives a warning to Mary and Joseph. Say this warning in your own words, and tell what you think it means.

KEY WORDS

Gentile —	Simeon —
Anna —	Nunc Dimittis —

Remember!
Next week we go
CHRISTMAS CAROLING!

Meet at the church at 6:00 o'clock, as usual.