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Obedience & Fulfillment

Luke 2:21-52

In our passage, there are 3 points of intersection between our lives and God's amazing plan:

~ Obedience

"Then it was time for their purification offering, as required by the law of Moses after the birth of a child; so his parents took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord."
vs. 22

"But why did you need to search?" he asked. "Didn't you know that I must be in my Father's house?"
vs. 49

"Then he returned to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. And his mother stored all these things in her heart."
vs. 51

~ Faithfulness

"At that time there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon. He was righteous and devout and was eagerly waiting for the Messiah to come and rescue Israel."
vs. 25

"Then she lived as a widow to the age of eighty-four.[a] She never left the Temple but stayed there day and night, worshipping God with fasting and prayer."
vs. 37

~ The Holy Spirit

"The Holy Spirit was upon him and had revealed to him that he would not die until he had seen the Lord's Messiah."
vs. 26

Application





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Go Deeper Study Guide

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Getting Started

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group.

If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: www.cbventura.org

Going Deeper

Re-read Luke 2:21-52. Try comparing two different translations.

Was there anything surprising or new that you learned from the background information about Luke's gospel? What was most meaningful or significant for you? Why?

Can you think of a time when God rewarded/validated your obedience? What happened? What did you learn? Share your story with your group!

Which character's obedience in our passage spoke to you the most? (Joseph, Mary, Jesus, Simeon or Anna) Why?

As a group, discuss the following statements made in the sermon:

"Obedience is the point of intersection between our lives & God's miraculous work!"

"Faithfulness is simply obedience lived-out consistently over time!"

What can we learn from Simeon & Anna about living expectantly?

What does the text mean in verse 25 when it says that Simeon was devout? What does that look like for us?

What surprised Joseph & Mary about Simeon's message? How did this differ from their previous thoughts?

Who did Anna talk to in the Temple? What are some ways that we can do this in our community?

According to the sermon, how can we be Spirit-led Christians? What are two qualities/characteristics that ensure this?

Application

What's one way that you can practice what you've learned?

Who will help you & hold you accountable?

Prayer

How can your group pray for you? If you don't have a group and you're doing this study individually, feel free to email your request to the CBC staff. {prayer@cbventura.org}