

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

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Luke 2: 22 - 40



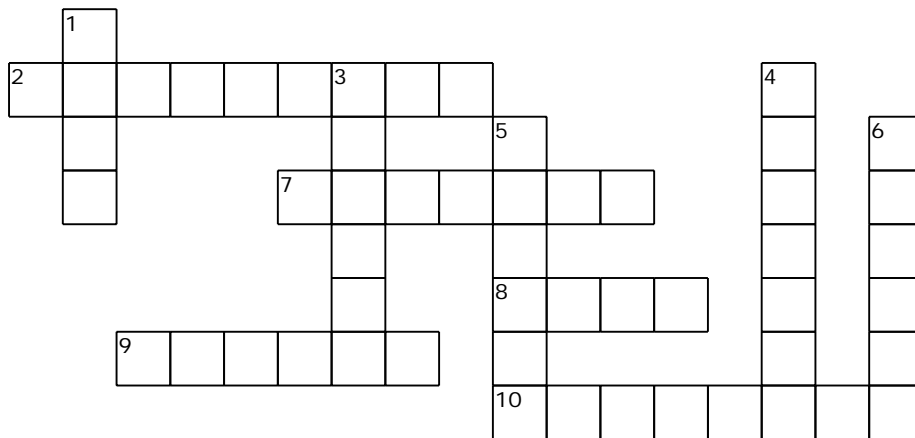
Simeon and Anna Thank God

Luke 2

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ACROSS

2. Deliverance from the penalty of sin
7. Something you said that you would do
8. The organs for seeing in the faces of humans and animals
9. A building dedicated to religious ceremonies or worship
10. The town where Mary, Joseph, and Jesus lived

DOWN

1. The mother of Jesus
3. The homeland of the Jewish people
4. A person who is not Jewish
5. The man who was promised he would not die until he had seen the Messiah
6. The earthly father of Jesus

TEMPLE	SALVATION	MARY	NAZARETH	ISRAEL
SIMEON	JOSEPH	GENTILE	PROMISE	EYES

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J O H I S R A E L D D L E F J
 J M I A A P E H L O E O O M K
 B R P W L H Z V V I I V V C K
 K I K R V J P B E C G Z O E C
 L G Y T A L S I Z A O H H U S
 U H U E T I H I G R L U T F T
 A T S M I I S M M E K E R Z Y
 J E A P O E Q E O E O W D T V
 E O C L N P C G D B O N H F S
 S U R E O J Z R V J T N S M Q
 U S I S P I R I T Z O M Q A N
 S J F E P A R E N T S S H F T
 P L I P P R O M I S E D E J P
 B B C C K Z M A R Y P Y R P U
 R O E M V M C H I L D P N O H

SPIRIT	RIGHTEOUS	PRAISED	COURTS	TEMPLE
CHILD	DEVOUT	LIGHT	JOSEPH	JESUS
PARENTS	SALVATION	ISRAEL	REVEALED	PIGEONS
SIMEON	PROMISED	DOVES	SACRIFICE	MARY

Simeon Recognizes Jesus

Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the page.



Now there was a _____ in Jerusalem called _____, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not _____ before he had seen the Lord's _____. Moved by the Spirit, he went into the _____ courts. When the parents brought in the child _____ to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised _____, saying:

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,
you now dismiss your servant in peace.

For my _____ have seen your _____,
which you have prepared in the sight of all people,
light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people _____."

Luke 2:25-32 (NIV)

Israel	man	Simeon	God	Christ
salvation	Jesus	temple	die	eyes

The Gift That Keeps On Giving

Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
N	G	X	A	M	Y	Q	C	F	K	S	D	W	E	L	T	J	V	H	Z	I	P	O	B	U	R

1. 2-26-4-8-14 _____
2. 8-19-21-15-12-26-14-1 _____
3. 24-14-15-21-14-18-14 _____
4. 1-4-5-14 _____
5. 26-14-8-14-21-18-14 _____
6. 2-15-23-26-6 _____
7. 16-26-25-16-19 _____
8. 13-23-26-15-12 _____
9. 9-15-14-11-19 _____
10. 13-23-26-12 _____

WORLD	BELIEVE	RECEIVE	TRUTH	CHILDREN
FLESH	NAME	WORD	GLORY	GRACE

Simeon Recognizes Jesus



Decode the message by finding each substitute letter.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
n	b	f	h	r	g	u	x	p	d	y	q	j	a	z	s	t	k	w	i	v	c	l	o	m	e

AXS QDZEZ SNP N YNA TA MZEGPNWZY VNWWZJ

PTYZXA, SDX SNP ETFDQZXGP NAJ JZUXGQ. TQ DNJ BZZA

EZUZNWZJ QX DTY BK QDZ DXWK PITETQ QDNQ DZ

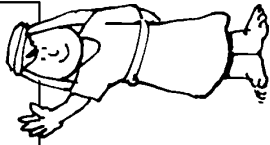
SXGWJ AXQ JTZ BZCXEZ DZ DNJ PZZA QDZ WXEJP

VDETPQ. WGRZ 2:25, 26



What happened to Jesus after their visit to the temple?

Do the math problems and use the answers to fit the words into the correct blocks.

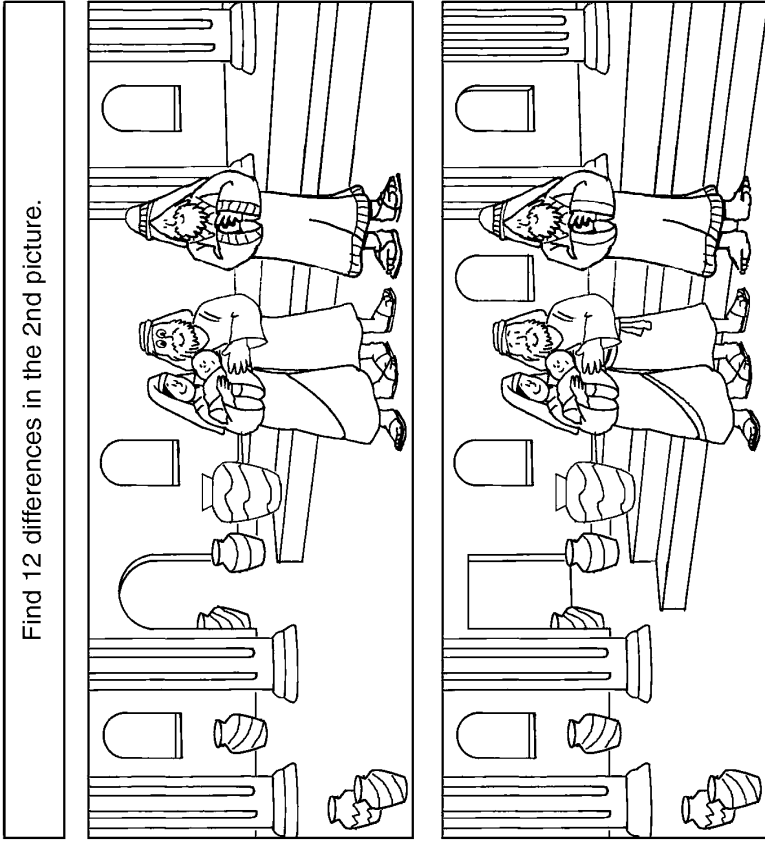


1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
and the 6 + 6	and 3 + 2	with 5 + 5	grew 2 + 2	strong. 4 + 3	upon Him." 8 + 7	filled 5 + 4	God was 7 + 7	"And the 3 - 2	grace of 8 + 5	child 1 + 1	became 3 + 3	Jesus 9 - 6	He was 4 + 4	wisdom 7 + 4

Jesus Presented in the Temple

According to the Law of the Lord, Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord.

Find 12 differences in the 2nd picture.





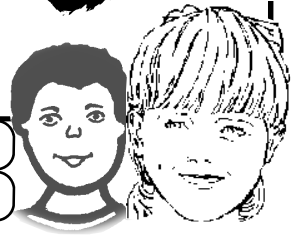
Speak, Lord

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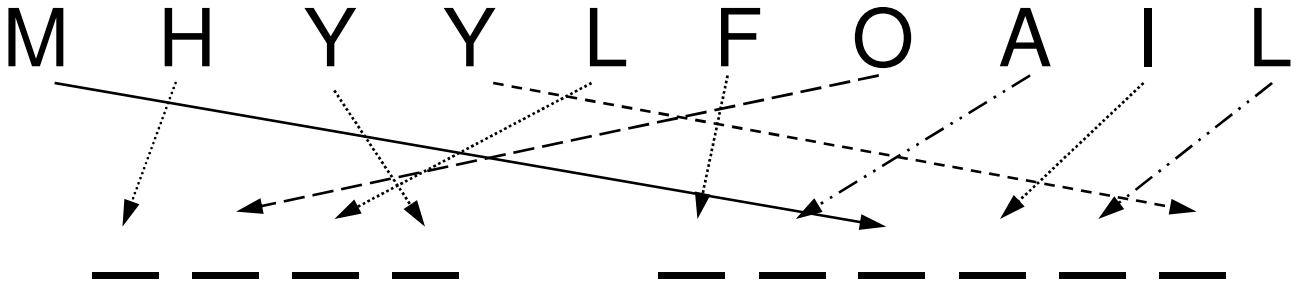
Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3
Psalm 104
Heb 11:8.11-12.17-19
Luke 2:22-40

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year B — Holy Family



Put these letters in order to reveal today's feast.



Mary and Joseph took baby Jesus to the temple.

Simeon and Anna praised God for Jesus.

JESUS LIVED WITH HIS FAMILY IN NAZARETH

