- 32. Like Miriam, Deborah, and Huldah, Anna was a what?
- 33. How many years had she been married when her husband died?
- 34. How old was Anna when the events of Luke 2 took place?
- 35. In her life situations, Anna could have easily been driven from her God, but she kept what kind of heart?
- 36. Where did Anna live?
- 37. What phrase points to the providential timing of God?
- 38. What did Anna give to God?
- 39. Anna's role changed from being a prophetess to being what?
- 40. Inherent in the word "redemption" is the idea that we need what?
- 41. When we think about Christmas, we think about gifts, and parties, and get-togethers (that's okay) but we really need to think about what?
- 42. Christmas doesn't make salvation what?
- 43. John the Baptizer's message to the people of his day is the same message to us today and it is what?

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## Anticipating the Messiah

## Luke 2:21-38

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "Anticipating The Messiah." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. What intensifies our feelings about events?
- 2. According to Proverbs 13:12, what makes the heart sick?
- 3. According to Proverbs 13:12, a desire fulfilled is what?
- 4. What word or concept is closely related to anticipation?
- 5. In the New Testament, the word "hope" describes a future reality that is what?
- 6. According to Hebrews 6:19, what is an anchor of the soul?
- 7. "Hope" provides what to the soul?
- 8. What are some things that various people/age groups look forward to?
- 9. What were the names of the two people who waited all of their lives (60-80 years) in anticipation of something and finally got to see it come to pass?

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- 10. The very first thing that was taught to children in devout Jewish families was what?
- 11. You could say that the first what, was something that had been anticipated by devout Jews for centuries?
- 12. In Genesis 17:12, God commanded the Jewish people to circumcise their male babies when they were how old?
- 13. Besides circumcision, it was also customary in Israel to do what on the 8th day?
- 14. Joseph and Mary made the 6-mile journey from Bethlehem to Jerusalem to do what?
- 15. From Leviticus 12 we learn that after a woman's purification, she was to make an offering consisting of what to the Lord?
- 16. Mary and Joseph, being poor, would have offered what to the Lord?
- 17. Simeon had been waiting for the Messiah, knowing that the Messiah would be the what of Israel?
- 18. From verse 26 what do we know about Simeon's age?
- 19. Unlike many senior citizens, Simeon was focused on what?
- 20. Simeon was overcome with what?
- 21. After he held the Messiah, Simeon was ready for what?

- 22. When it came to the Messiah, Simeon focused on what?
- 23. Do you have that salvation?
- 24. Have you personally repented of your sin and received Jesus by faith?
- 25. Simeon understood that the salvation provided by the Messiah would be before what?
- 26. Simeon affirmed, right here at the beginning, that the Messiah of Israel would be for whom?
- 27. Mary and Joseph didn't realize that eventually this baby would become the man who would divide all of humanity into what two categories?
- 28. Simeon actually makes a parenthetical statement to let Mary know that she would experience what?
- 29. Simeon concludes by saying that people's response to this child will reveal the what?
- 30. "Anna" is the New Testament equivalent to what Old Testament name?
- 31. The name "Phanuel" means what?