

T H E G I F T



TITLE: Blessed Anticipation

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TEXT: Luke 2:36-38

TARGET: The Advent season, or better understood as the season of Jesus' coming or arrival, was marked by ANTICIPATION. Our first response in preparing our Heart for the Gift of Jesus is to long for His coming.

I. The _____ of Anna: *"And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher."* (Vs. 36)

A. The _____ at Her Legacy:

- I. **Meaning of Her Name:** *"Anna"*
- II. **Ministry of Her Title:** *"prophetess"*

B. The _____ in Her Lineage:

- I. **Morality of Her Father:** *"Phanuel"*
- II. **Mention of Her Tribe:** *"Asher"*

II. The _____ of Anna: *"and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day."* (Vs. 37)

A. The _____ of Her Loneliness:

- I. **Reveals Her Past:** *"lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin"* (Vs. 36b)
- II. **Reminder of Her Pain:** *"widow until she was eighty-four"* (Vs. 37)

B. The _____ of Her Life:

- I. **Point of Her Persistence:** *"she did not depart from the temple"* (Vs. 37a)
- II. **Priority of Her Praise:** *"worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day"* (Vs. 37b)

III. The _____ of Anna: *"And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem."* (Vs. 38)

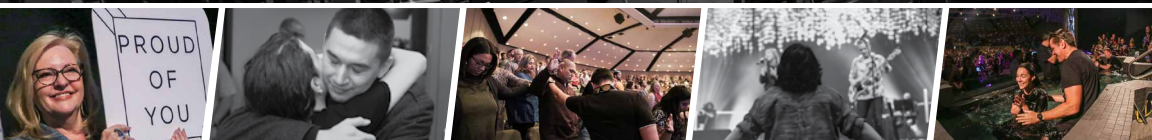
A. The _____ of Her Longing:

- I. **The Timing of Her Arrival:** *"at that very hour"* (Vs. 38a)
- II. **The Thanksgiving of Her Adoration:** *"she began to give thanks to God"* (Vs. 38a)

B. The _____ of Her Language:

- I. **Leveraging of Her Influence:** *"all who were waiting"* (Vs. 38b)
- II. **Light of Her Insight:** *"redemption of Jerusalem."* (Vs. 38b)

TAKE AWAY: Is my life marked by Anticipation on a daily basis of encountering His presence?



▶▶ MISSION MOMENT

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▶▶ EVENTS

- 11.1 - 12.16 ▶ Season of Serving
- 12.3 ▶ Faith and the Mind
- 12.7 ▶ Senior Adult Christmas Celebration


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 - Sunday - 8:30AM, 10:00AM*, 11:45AM, 1:21PM
- *ASL Interpreted Services

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