

Cultural, Historical, and Geographic Significance



Luke 2:21-38

Lesson 4- Part II



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Luke 2:21

And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called **Jesus**, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

References

Lev 12:3 And on the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.

Luk 1:59 And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child. And they would have called him Zechariah after his father...

Mat 1:25 And he called his name Jesus.




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Luke 2:22-23 (Firstborn/Jesus)	References
<p>And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”)</p>	<p>Exo 13:2 “Consecrate to me all the firstborn. Whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, both of man and of beast, is mine.” Num 18:16 And their redemption price (at a month old you shall redeem them) you shall fix at five shekels in silver, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, which is twenty gerahs.</p>



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Luke 2:24 (Purification/Mary)	References
<p>and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.”</p> 	<p>Lev 12:8 And if she cannot afford a lamb, then she shall take two turtledoves or two pigeons, one for a burnt offering and the other for a purification offering. And the priest shall make atonement for her, and she shall be clean.”</p>




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Luke 2:25-26 Simeon	References
<p>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.</p>	<p>Act 1:6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"</p>



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Luke 2:27-28	References
<p>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,</p>	 <p>Southern Temple Mount steps</p>



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And he came in the Spirit into the temple



Temple Mount on the Jerusalem model (from the south)



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*That they might **do for him** according to the custom of the Law*



The Torah Scroll at the Western Wall



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Luke 2:29-33 Nunc Dimittis

“Lord, now you are **letting** your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for **my eyes have seen your salvation** that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the **Gentiles**, and for glory to your people **Israel**.” And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him.

References

Gen 46:30 Israel said to Joseph, “Now **let me die, since I have seen your face** and know that you are still alive.”

Psa 98:2 The LORD has made known his **salvation**; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the **nations** (Gentiles).

Isa 46:13 I bring near my righteousness; it is not far off, and my salvation will not delay; **I will put salvation in Zion, for Israel my glory.**”



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Which you have prepared in the sight of all peoples




Scripture in many languages at Yardenit baptismal site




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Luke 2:34-35 Mary's Sword	References
<p>And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."</p>	<p>Num 6:24 The LORD bless you and keep you;</p> <p>Isa 8:14-15 And he will become a sanctuary and a stone of offense and a rock of stumbling to both houses of Israel, a trap and a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. And many shall stumble on it. They shall fall and be broken; they shall be snared and taken."</p> <p>Rom 9:33 as it is written, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."</p> 

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Luke 2:36-38 - Hannah	References
<p>And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, 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. 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.</p>	<p>Act 5:42 And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching that the Messiah is Jesus.</p> <p>Isa 52:9 Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.</p> 

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And there was Anna, a prophetess . . . She did not depart from the temple



Devout Jewish women at the Western Wall

Acts 1:6-9 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to **Israel**?"

He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in **Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.**" And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.



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She . . . spoke of Him to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem



Jerusalem's redemption predicted in Isaiah 52:9 on the Great Isaiah Scroll



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