



MARY'S CHRISTMAS

²¹ When the eight days were completed for His circumcision, He was named Jesus – the name given by the angel before He was conceived.

Luke 2:21-35

²² And when the days of their purification according to the law of Moses were finished, they brought Him up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord

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²³ (just as it is written in the law of the Lord: “Every firstborn male will be dedicated to the Lord”) ²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice (according to what is stated in the law of the Lord: a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons).

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²⁵ There was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, looking forward to Israel's consolation, and the Holy Spirit was on him.

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²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he saw the Lord's Messiah.

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²⁷ Guided by the Spirit, he entered the temple complex. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform for Him what was customary under the law,

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²⁸ Simeon took Jesus up in his arms, praised God, and said: ²⁹ “Now, Master, You can dismiss Your slave in peace, as You promised.”

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³⁰ For my eyes have seen Your salvation.”

³¹ “You have prepared it in the presence of all peoples – ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory to Your people Israel.”

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³³ His father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and told His mother Mary:

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³⁴ “Indeed, this child is destined to cause the fall and rise of many in Israel and to be a sign that will be opposed – ³⁵ and a sword will pierce your own soul – that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”

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¹⁶ So Pilate handed Him over to be crucified.

¹⁷ Carrying His own cross, Jesus went out to what is called Skull Place, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha.

John 19:16-18

¹⁸ There they crucified Him and two others with Him, one on either side, with Jesus in the middle.

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²⁵ Standing near the cross of Jesus was His mother....

John 19:25

Jesus knew His hour had come to depart from this world to the Father. Having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

John 13:1