

## ***The Nunc Dimitis: Recognizing Salvation When It Arrives***

### **Discussion Questions**

1. Where do you most resonate in the story — with Mary and Joseph, Simeon and Anna, or the larger crowd? What does that reveal about how you're currently experiencing your faith?
2. The sermon says salvation often arrives quietly and differently than expected. Can you think of a time when God was working in your life in a way you didn't recognize at first?
3. Simeon warns that Jesus causes both rising and falling, depending on the direction we're facing. What are some "directions" (expectations, preferences, fears, loyalties) that might make it harder for us to recognize Jesus as He really is?
4. Pastor Michael named the reality of spiritual tiredness and discernment fatigue. Where do you feel most tired right now — and what voices or pressures contribute to that exhaustion?
5. Repentance was described as "turning" rather than fixing or performing. What might it look like for you this week to turn — even slightly — more fully toward Jesus?

*These questions should spark deeper reflection and meaningful conversation about the key points of the sermon.*