The Child Jesus

Luke 2:21-39

Luke 2:19: But Mary <u>kept</u> (treasured) <u>all these things</u> and pondered them in her <u>heart</u>.

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Luke 2:21: And when <u>eight days</u> were completed for the <u>circumcision</u> of the <u>Child</u> [Leviticus 12:3], His name was called <u>Jesus</u>, the name given <u>by the angel</u> before He was conceived in the womb.

Luke 2:22: Now when the <u>days of her purification according to the law of Moses</u> <u>were completed</u> [Leviticus 12:6], they brought Him to <u>Jerusalem</u> to <u>present Him</u> to the Lord.

Jesus is now 40 days old.

Luke 2:23-24: (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord"), and to offer a <u>sacrifice</u> according to what is said in the law of the Lord, <u>a pair of turtledoves</u> or <u>two young pigeons</u>.

This speaks of how poor Mary and Joseph were, which speaks of how poor Jesus became for us.

Philippians 2

2 Corinthians 8:9: For you <u>know</u> the <u>grace</u> of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was <u>rich</u>, yet for your sakes He became <u>poor</u>, that you through His <u>poverty</u> might become <u>rich</u>.

Ephesians 3

Luke 2:25: And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was <u>Simeon</u>, and this man was <u>just</u> and <u>devout</u>, waiting for the <u>Consolation of Israel</u>, and the <u>Holy Spirit</u> was upon him. (NLT - The Messiah to come and rescue Israel.)

Luke 2:26: And it had been <u>revealed</u> to him by the <u>Holy Spirit</u> that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's <u>Christ</u>.

Luke 2:27: So he came by 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,

This is the way we want to live each day and the way we want to come to church.

Luke 2:28: He <u>took Him up in his arms</u> and <u>blessed</u> [thanked or praised] <u>God</u> and said:

Luke 2:29: "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word;

Luke 2:30-31: For my eyes have seen Your <u>salvation</u> which You have prepared before the face of <u>all peoples</u>,

Luke 2:32: A <u>light</u> to bring <u>revelation</u> to the <u>Gentiles</u>, and the <u>glory</u> of Your people <u>Israel</u>."

1 Peter 2:9 John 8:12

Luke 2:33-35: And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the <u>fall</u> and <u>rising</u> of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against (<u>yes</u>, a sword will pierce through your own soul <u>also</u>), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Luke 2:36-37: Now there was one, <u>Anna</u>, a <u>prophetess</u>, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her <u>virginity</u>; and this woman was a <u>widow</u> of about <u>eighty-four years</u>, who did not depart from the temple, but <u>served</u> God with <u>fastings</u> and <u>prayers</u> night and day.

Anna is an example of spiritual maturity.

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Luke 2:38: And coming in <u>that instant</u> she <u>gave thanks</u> [praise] to the Lord, and <u>spoke of **Him** to all those who looked for redemption</u> in Jerusalem.

6,000 go church in Corvallis.

Luke 2:39: So when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth.

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Close: Jesus is the chief cornerstone - fall upon Him!