

Sermon Questions

Notes and Questions

Scotty preached this morning on Misplaced Longings. Here are the questions from today. If you have any feedback about how to make these more helpful for you, let us know!

Blessings,

Jen

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As we endeavor to spend less this season, it is important to identifying our longings. What are you longing for this Christmas?

Perhaps the greatest sin is ingratitude

Marketing highlights what we don't have so that we buy what we don't need to get what it can't provide.

Luke 2: 22-40

Anna and Simeon give us this example...

RATHER THAN PINING FOR WHAT THEY DIDN'T HAVE,

THEY WERE LONGING FOR WHAT GOD HAD PROMISED.

Vs. 25-27

Holy Spirit was upon him

Holy Spirit revealed to him

Holy Spirit moved him

We can fail to hear the spirits revelation

We can fail to obey the spirits guidance

Vs. 34-35

Glory of God often isn't experienced without experiencing the pain of suffering

JESUS IS THE FULFILLMENT OF OUR DEEPEST LONGINGS!

QUESTIONS

1. Israel spent hundreds of years longing for the Messiah. What are you longing for this Christmas? Your longings are an invitation to connect with Jesus - our Savior and the Light of our Life!

1. Read Luke 2:21-40. What stands out to you? Has God revealed something to you that has not yet come to pass? What is your heart posture in the waiting?

1. In Luke 2:25-27 we read how the Holy Spirit worked in Simeon in three different ways. We can fail to hear the Spirit's revelation. We can fail to obey the Spirit's guidance. How open to the Spirit are you?

1. Luke 2:37 How are you spending your time during this Christmas season? How much time are you spending in prayer and fasting? What would it look like to spend your time with a different heart focus?

Prayer: Jesus, I bring You my longings. My desire for financial security, my hope for peaceful gatherings, my hunger for knowing I belong and my wants for all the stuff. Help my heart focus on You and the peace, security and provision that exists in You! Holy Spirit lead me and guide me, give me ears to hear and a willing heart!

Amen!

