



How to use Pod Talk:

Talking through the Bible during the week helps us practice what we are learning. Read the Sunday Bible passage, discuss what you notice, share what God is inviting you to apply to your life, and wrap up with prayer. **(SOAP)**

Sermon Main Idea:

We are Waiting Expectantly for God's Mission to Unfold Before Us Each and Every Day

Introduction:

- Simeon and Anna waited a long time for Jesus. What is something in your life that you waited a long time for?
- Describe a time when God clearly spoke to you.

SOAP:

Scripture | read Luke 2:21-40 and relate last week's daily bible readings

Observation | what do we notice? what stands out?

- What was Simeon waiting for and why?
- What was Anna waiting for and why?
- How did Simeon and Anna come to be in the Temple Courts at the right time and recognize who Jesus was?
- What does Simeon thank God for? What does he prophesy to Joseph and Mary?
- How would you have felt if you were Simeon and Anna? What would you be thinking?

Application | what can we apply to our life today?

- What are you truly waiting for right now and how does that effect your life? Be as specific as possible.
- What types of things can keep God's people from hearing His voice on a regular basis?
- How can you learn to hear God's voice more consistently, like Simeon and Anna?
- In light of this passage, what do you believe may be the next step in your journey with God?
- How can you respond to this passage in your relationship with God (Up)? In your relationship with those in the church (In)? Or, in your relationship with those outside the church (Out)?

Prayer | ask God to help you live out your application

Last Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday, 1/2 – John 1:1-14 – Word became flesh

Tuesday, 1/3 – Hebrews 1:1-12 – Faith in action

Wednesday, 1/4 – Psalm 96 – Sing a new song

Thursday, 1/5 – Psalm 97 – The Lord reigns

Friday, 1/6 – Psalm 98 – Shout for joy

Weekend, 1/7-1/9 – Luke 2:21-52 – Simeon and Anna