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“When the time of purification according to the Law of Moses had been completed, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord...and to offer sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord:...”

Luke 2:22 - 24

I. Sacred Place (Jerusalem) (Luke 2:22 – 24)

- A. Time of purification
- B. Returned to Jerusalem
- C. Offering to God

II. Special People (Priest/Prophets) (Luke 2:25–28; 36-37)

- A. Simeon
 - 1. Righteous
 - 2. Devout
 - 3. Expecting
 - 4. Filled with the Holy Spirit
- B. Anna
 - 1. Never left the temple – very old
 - 2. Known for fasting and prayer
 - 3. The “redemption” of Jerusalem

III. Specific Purpose (The Sign) (Luke 2:28 – 35)

- A. Seen your salvation – all people
- B. A revelation – to the Gentiles
- C. for glory – to your people Israel
- D. The Sign – to determine hearts
- E. The Sword – the struggle of parenting a rejected savior