



## Sermon Notes: Salvation Is Here!

### 1. The Man of Salvation.

- Salvation is not...
- Salvation is a person.

### 2. The Means of Salvation.

- a. We are saved by Jesus' righteous life.
- b. We are saved by Jesus' atoning death.

### 3. The Meaning of Salvation.

- a. Salvation means liberty to the captives.
- b. Salvation means hope to the hopeless.
- c. Salvation means comfort to the broken.

### 4. The Message of Salvation.

- a. Salvation invites you to receive grace.
- b. Salvation invites you to accept that Jesus is enough.



## Application Questions: Salvation Is Here!

1. How did last week's fresh look at The Nativity Story impact your week?
2. What do you imagine Jesus looking like? Is there a famous painting or other depiction of Jesus that resonates with you? Why or why not?
3. What factors do you think played into Simeon and Anna's ability to recognize Jesus as the Christ?
4. Looking at your answers to #3, why/how is this relevant to you knowing Jesus today?
5. What are some ways we treat salvation as if it's a principle, path procedure, etc. – anything but a person? How does it change – or round out – your perspective to see salvation as the Person of Jesus?
6. How could Simeon say, "My eyes have seen your salvation," when Jesus hadn't lived, died, and risen again yet?
7. Why is it important to see prophecies like Luke 2:34-35 at the *beginning* of Jesus' life and not just at the end?
8. If Luke 2:34-35 is referring to one group of persons, what does it mean? If it's referring to two groups, what does it mean?
9. What two things does a sword do, depending on how it is wielded? How would Jesus' life and death function like that? How does the Gospel do these two things still today?
10. What are you waiting on Jesus to do? What are you anticipating Jesus to do? What's the difference between these two questions?
11. What one way do you need to respond to this message and discussion?