



HEROES OF THE BIBLE

SIMEON AND ANNA

Did you know? Simeon was a righteous man; Anna was a prophetess. The New Testament doesn't say much about these two characters; however, we catch a glimpse of them when, 40 days after Jesus' birth, Mary and Joseph bring Him to the temple to be consecrated.

Startling facts: The Holy Spirit had told Simeon that before he died, he would meet the Messiah. One day, he was moved by the Holy Spirit to go to the temple. Guess who was there? Joseph, Mary, and Baby Jesus. Simeon approached them and said, "I can now die in peace, for my eyes have seen the salvation that God has promised to all people."¹

When Anna saw the baby, she gave thanks to God and proclaimed to all who could hear that the savior of Israel had come.²

Coollest trait: These two waited years for the fulfillment of God's promise and never lost hope. In the end, their faith was rewarded!

You can too: God has lots of awesome promises in the Bible. Believe them, claim them, and wait patiently for His answer.

Footnotes:

¹ See [Luke 2:29-31](#).

² See [Luke 2:37-38](#).

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