



Messy Christmas - Simeon – Pastor Mark Pope  
December 9 & 10, 2023

1. Share a time that you might have not told the “whole truth.” What was your reason for bypassing the real answer?
2. Read Luke 2:34-35 Why was it necessary for Simeon to share encouragement and brutal truth with Mary & Joseph? How do you think they responded – how would you respond as a parent?
3. Why is it important to build faith for when troubles and persecutions come? What steps or mindsets are necessary to have in place?
4. Read John 16:33 and John 21:18-19 How do these two scriptures prepare you for hard times? Explain.
5. Pastor Mark shared “when we get deeply involved with God; He gets deeply involved with us.” What did Mark mean by that? Why does it matter?
6. “A serious walk with God is not a shallow experience.” What about this idea challenges you? What makes it difficult for you to step into deeper experiences with God?
7. Reflect on what you are doing to develop your faith and prepare for challenges. What are some ways you can get more deeply involved with God moving forward?