

BE CHRISTmas

Christmas Worship– Simeon’s Impressive Response to Jesus’ Arrival **Mark Pope** **December 22/23, 2018**

1. Have you ever had a "Simeon" moment? A moment where you realized you were in the presence of God? Would you be willing to share that experience?
2. Simeon had spent years pursuing a close, personal relationship with his God. In the end, he was rewarded by actually holding our Savior in his arms. Have you ever considered what it would be like to embrace your Savior? How are you preparing for that day?
3. How can you create daily moments where God can show up in your life?
4. Jesus is so worthy of all of our praise. How can you honor Him this Christmas season?
5. When was the last time you did something personal with God?
6. In his message this weekend, Pastor Mark talked about worshipping God in an “aggressive” way that doesn’t make us care what other people think. Read 2 Samuel 6:12-16. King David was willing to make himself look like a fool because he loved God. When was the last time you made yourself look like a fool for Jesus?
7. We were reminded that we should consider God’s heart for the world. When you think about this, how should it alter how we live our lives?
8. What can you do (daily, weekly, etc.) to reinforce that not everything is all about you?
9. Although we should always pray to God and even ask Him to meet our needs, we will still face personal disappointment. When that happens, how can you look past it and focus on God’s heart for the world instead?