DISCUSSION GUIDE

CONNECT

Do you make New Year's Resolutions? Why or why not?

LEARN & APPLY

Read Joel 2:28-29 & Luke 2:21-38;

- Do you think Luke is alluding to Joel's prophecy in chapter
 2? Why or why not?
- What are some of the similarities and differences between Simeon and Anna's personal stories? How does this speak to the story of God's people (Israel)?
- What does Simeon's song (vv. 29-32) reveal about his understanding of Jesus' mission? How does his declaration serve as an act of worship and witness to God's promises?
- How is Anna described in terms of her devotion and response to seeing Jesus (vv. 36-38)? What can we learn from Anna's example about faithful worship and sharing our faith?
- Are there any specific areas where you feel the Holy Spirit prompting you to act, worship, or witness this week? Share them with one another.

PRAY

Who are some people you could be inviting to worship? How could you start a conversation with someone about Jesus? Take some time to pray with one another for the Holy Spirit's guidance in the coming week. End with the Lord's Prayer.

