



Title | Anna's Devotion
Series | So You Can Know For Sure
Text | Luke 2:36-38
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Sermon Notes

Luke 2:36 And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, 37 and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. 38 And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. *ESV*

Big Idea:

Luke 2:37 . . . She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. *ESV*

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read Luke 2:36-38. Identify all the descriptions of Anna that demonstrate her devotion to the Lord. How can you follow her example?

Tuesday:

Read Luke 2:37. Anna is described as “worshiping.” The original Greek word is synonymous with serving. How specifically does Anna serve? How can you follow her example?

Wednesday:

Read Luke 2:37. When you think of serving God, what comes to mind? Are you surprised that fasting and prayer are considered to be serving God? Can anyone serve God?

Thursday:

Read Luke 2:37. Fasting may be defined as a deliberate, temporary abstinence from some form of physical gratification, usually food, but it can include other things such as constantly checking your screen. Through fasting and prayer, we deny our hunger for other things to reflect and renew our hunger for God. What other appetites are the strongest in your life? How might fasting and prayer be helpful?

Friday:

Read Luke 2:38. When Anna realized that Jesus was the Messiah, she gave thanks to God and spoke of Jesus to others. How can you follow her example? Specifically, what about Jesus could you thank God for? To whom could you speak about Jesus?

Daily Prayer:

Lord, help me to deny my hunger for other things to reflect and renew my hunger for you. I am at your service. Amen.

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