

Study Guide on Exodus 13:13-15 & Luke 2:22-32

New International Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Exodus 13:13-15 & Luke 2:22-32

(Exodus 13:13) Redeem with a lamb every firstborn donkey, but if you do not redeem it, break its neck. Redeem every firstborn among your sons.

(Exodus 13:14) “In days to come, when your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ say to him, ‘With a mighty hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.’

(Exodus 13:15) When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the LORD killed the firstborn of both people and animals in Egypt. This is why I sacrifice to the LORD the first male offspring of every womb and redeem each of my firstborn sons.’

(Luke 2:22) When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord

(Luke 2:23) (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”),

(Luke 2:24) and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”

(Luke 2:25) Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him.

(Luke 2:26) It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah.

(Luke 2:27) Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required,

(Luke 2:28) Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

(Luke 2:29) “Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace.

(Luke 2:30) For my eyes have seen your salvation,

(Luke 2:31) which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:

(Luke 2:32) a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.”

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?