

CHRISTMAS STORIES | GOOD THINGS COME TO THOSE WHO WAIT . . .
ON THE LORD
LUKE 2:22-38

Luke's aim in writing his gospel was to write an orderly account of what he had discovered about Jesus from eyewitnesses and validate these things for a man named Theophilus. Luke recorded two accounts that testified to Jesus' identity as His parents faithfully followed the Lord and brought Him to the Temple. They were the accounts of two people, faithful to God, anxiously awaiting the Messiah, as they served in the Temple. They would encounter Jesus, the Messiah shortly after his birth. Their stories testify that:

1. God rewards those who are devoted to Him and wait on Him.
2. God was faithful in the fulfillment of the promises of Jesus' first coming. We can be certain that He will fulfill the promises of His second coming.
3. The news of Christ's first coming and His future second coming is a reason to be filled with hope, gratitude, and confidence in sharing with others about Jesus.