"Testifying to the Messiah" Luke 2:21-38 Pastor Wes November 1, 2026

1) If you have ever observed a trial or served on a jury, did the testimony of one or more witnesses affect the outcome of the trial? Share what happened.

2) a. As credible witnesses, what were Joseph and Mary saying about their son through their actions? (see Galatians 4:4)

b. What was the final proof of their testimony? (see Hebrews 4:15)

3) a. Simeon prophesied that many in Israel would rise and fall because of this child. What do you think he was describing? (see Matt 21:42-44 and 1 Peter 2:6-8)

b. In your own life experiences, have you seen people rise or fall in their response to Jesus? Share an example with your group.

4) What effect do you think the words of Simeon and Anna may have had on the people around them in the temple?

5) a. How can a Christian become a more effective witness for Jesus?

b. How could you become a more effective witness for Jesus?