

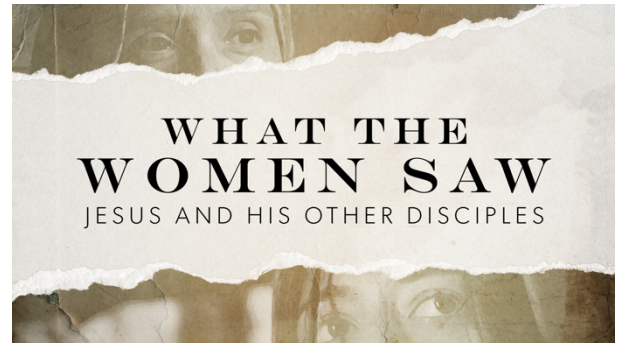
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Life Group Questions / December 7, 2025

**What The Women Saw: Jesus and His Other Disciples**

**3 – Anna Saw Salvation**

**Luke 2:36-38**



1. List the non-gospel, non-Jesus ways that people try to solve their problems and find solutions to life's stresses and hardships.
2. Why do you think we tend to complicate things rather than look at the simplicity of the gospel?
3. Look carefully at James 1:2-4 together. How is joy, as defined in the message, the key to enduring through hardship and allowing God to do his perfect work in us? Why do so many fail at this?
4. Pastor Todd mentioned his own struggle with devotion to Christ and how he knows how selfish he can be with his time, money, wants, and desires. What's one area of your life that is still a struggle for you when it comes to devotion to Christ?
5. How is your prayer life? Do you practice fasting at all? What could you do to improve these spiritual disciplines in your life?
6. Share the names of 5-6 people you will intentionally invite to the Christmas Eve services. Make a list for the whole group and pray together over these names.

**Series: What the Women Saw**  
**Message: 3 – Anna Saw Salvation**  
**Text: Luke 2:36-38**  
**Todd Dugard**  
**Harvest Bible Chapel**  
**December 14, 2025**

**When I see the salvation that Anna saw...**

**...it provides perspective (2:36-37a)**

James 1:2-4

Joy is supernatural delight in the person, purposes, and people of God.  
- John Piper, *Desiring God*

**...it inspires devotion (2:37b)**

The greatest threat to Christmas isn't secularism or consumerism but our own boredom with the most thrilling story ever told.  
- Matt Smethurst

**...it compels prayer and fasting (2:37c-38a)**

Jesus' Earthly Life

In utero

Birth; Dedication in the Temple — 10 days old

Visit of the Magi; Escape to Egypt — 18-24 months

Return from Egypt to Nazareth — 4-6 years old

Trip to Jerusalem (left behind) — 12 years old

Baptism/Public ministry begins — 30 years old

Triumphant entry; crucifixion, burial, resurrection and ascension — 33 years old

Luke 9:23

**...it motivates mission (2:38b)**

--- RESOURCES ---

80% of Non-Churchgoers Say They Would Go If Invited — So Why Don't We? by John Taylor  
[relevantmagazine.com/faith/church/80-of-non-believers-would-go-to-church-if-invited-so-why-dont-we/](http://relevantmagazine.com/faith/church/80-of-non-believers-would-go-to-church-if-invited-so-why-dont-we/)