

“The Holy Spirit Rested on Them”

Luke 2:22-40; Isaiah 61:1-3, 8, 11

Read Luke 2:22-40

1. What two significant details from the first 3 verses did James highlight in the sermon? Why do they matter?
2. Did the Holy Spirit rest on Simeon because of his character or was his character formed because the Spirit rested on him?
3. What was Anna’s lifelong response to the catastrophic loss of her husband after only 7 years of marriage & with no children?
4. What were James’ 3 take-aways from these brief vignettes of Simeon and Anna?

Read Isaiah 61:1-3, 8, 11

5. On whom is the focus of the Spirit’s power and gifting in this passage?

Read Matthew 25:34-40

6. Does this reading from Matthew effectively connect our Isaiah and Luke readings as James suggested?
7. What were the 2 emphases at Little T over the past year that James mentioned? Are they “2 sides of the same coin?”
8. What might the upcoming year look like in our shared life at Little T?