

# Characters of Christmas: Simeon & Anna

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**Luke 2:25-40**

In a season of trials and suffering for Israel, Simeon was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ waiting for the Messiah.

Simeon's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ hope was centered upon a promise that he had received from God.

Simeon was an \_\_\_\_\_ participant in seeing the promises of God being fulfilled.

Anna was a \_\_\_\_\_ whose husband \_\_\_\_\_ after only seven years of marriage.

Because Anna was faithful through her \_\_\_\_\_, she saw Jesus face to face.

When \_\_\_\_\_ is your goal, you can worship with an expectant hope in the midst of trials and waiting. When an \_\_\_\_\_ is your goal, trials will shake your foundation.

*James 1:2-4 (NIV) James 1:2-4 (The Message)*

*Romans 8:28*

Be faithful to God and wait with an \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ hope because God is moving even though you may not be able to see it.

No matter what season we are facing \_\_\_\_\_ or as the \_\_\_\_\_, we can have an expectant hope. *Matthew 24:9-13*