

A Baby in an  
Old  
Man's Arms

Luke 2:25-35



# **I. Simeon's Description**

## **Simeon's Personality**

**He was an unknown in Israel**

**Tradition tells us he was 113 years old**

**No doubt Simeon had a white beard**

## **Who was St. Nicholas?**

**He was a pastor in the 14<sup>th</sup> century**

**He defended Christ at the Nicean Council**

**He gave a poor man who had daughters a bag of gold to  
provide a dowry for them**

**He was known as a man of compassion**

**When he died people gave gifts to each other in his honor on  
his feast day**

## *Simeon's Spirituality*

**Simeon was a just or righteous man**

**He was devout**

**He was sensitive to the nudging of the Holy Spirit**

**God looks on the heart**

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for God sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart

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**1 Samuel 16:7**

# **Simeon's Encounter with the Holy Spirit**

## **Verse 30**

**"Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace,  
According to Your word;  
For my eyes have seen Your salvation**

# How to Grow Old With Grace

**I. HAVE A SENSE OF GOD'S PURPOSE FOR YOUR  
LIFE**

**II. HOLD ON TO GOD'S PROMISES**

**III. . MAINTAIN A LIFE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**

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**IV. STAY CONNECTED TO GOD'S SPIRIT**

**V. LIVE IN GOD'S PRESENCE**



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**VI. COME TO TERMS WITH THE PAINS AND  
DISAPPOINTMENTS OF THE PAST**

**VII. BE FUTURE DRIVEN—Not mired in the past**