

LORD, NOW YOU ARE LETTING YOUR  
SERVANT DEPART IN PEACE,  
ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD;  
FOR MY ENEMIES, IN YOUR  
SALVATION  
THAT YOU HAVE PREPARED IN THE  
PRESENCE OF ALL PEOPLES,  
A LIGHT FOR REVEALING THE  
DEEDS, AND FOR GLORY TO YOUR PEOPLE  
ISRAEL.

# Song of Consolation

**LUKE 2:25-32**

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## **Song of Consolation - January 2022**

What are you singing today? Or humming or whistling? Unless you are a particular outlier in the human family, there is some tune running through your mind. Christmas time and the Christmas story are full of songs and music. This prevalence isn't unique to the Christmas story, though. Scripture is full of music. Much of it is lost on us as we read an English translation, but music is there nonetheless. Music pervades the scripture and it pervades our life because we are uniquely musical creatures. Other animals sing (birds, whales, dolphins) but as a means of communicating. We sing, and play, and listen sheerly for the sake of music.

This week we look at another song in scripture, *Simeon's Song*. As we consider the song of this old man, waiting, waiting, waiting for the "consolation of Israel", ask yourself these questions:

- What songs are running through my mind and my life on a regular basis?
- Do these songs point my mind and my heart to the Lord? Do they speak joy into my sorrow, repentance into my sinfulness, hope into my despair, peace into my uncertainty?
- Have you caught even a glimpse of the salvation of God which is found in Christ Jesus the Son?

Music to Live By

*Is He Worthy?* - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Olahc83Kvp4>

