

And when the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord ... and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." (Luke 2:22-24)



In the Temple was a man named Simeon. The Holy Spirit had revealed to him that he would not die before he had seen the Messiah. When Mary and Joseph brought Jesus in, Simeon took Jesus in his arms and said, "Now, Master, You may let Your servant go in peace, ... for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to Thy people Israel." (Luke 2:25-32)



And a sword will pierce through your own soul also, that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed. (Luke 2:35)