

# Anna: The Faithful Witness

1. What date does the author give for the Messiah, based on Daniel's famous prophecy about "Messiah the Prince" (Dan. 9:24-27)?
2. What was the atmosphere among virtually all faithful believers in Israel, in consideration to the Messiah? What is the irony of this expectation?
3. Who were the people, "in the know" who actually did recognize Messiah when He came?
4. What does Luke 2:36-38 say about the "final witness" whom Luke calls to testify?

## "She was a Prophetess"

5. What is Anna's equivalent name in Hebrew? What does it mean?
6. How does the author state that Luke uses the word, "Prophetess" and it's modern relation to a preacher? How is the word, "prophetess" not to be understood as used by Luke?
7. Who are the five women the author list in Scripture who were also called, "prophetess"?
8. The author writes on page 134, "When Luke called her a "prophetess," we are not to imagine that this was an office she filled." What did it most likely mean?

## "Of the tribe of Asher"

9. What does Anna's descent from the tribe of Asher suggest, according to the author? (last paragraph on page 135)

## **“This Woman was a Widow”**

10. How old was Anna, most likely?
11. The author states, “Anna probably either lived on charity or supported herself out of the remnants of her family's inheritance.” How does Luke 2:37 describe her lifestyle?

## **“Who did not depart from the Temple”**

12. The author asserts, “Fasting by itself is not a particularly useful exercise.” What does he endorse of real value?
13. How does Luke 2:25 describe what Anna and Simeon were earnestly praying for?
14. On page 138, Anna is described, “She was a wonderfully remarkable woman indeed—perhaps one of the most devout people we meet anywhere on the pages of Scripture.” What numeric quotient is given to characterize this quality?

## **“She... spoke of Him to all”**

15. To whom did Anna address herself in Luke 2:38? Who, does the author describe, that Anna would have been able to identify as she spoke out?
16. On page 139, what was Anna most know for? What compelled her intensity and passion for her subject?