



# The Notes

## What's Bothering You?

### Part 2: "People Disturbed To Learn Everything Costs Something"

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#### I'M BOTHERED BY THE NEW THING GOD BIRTHS IN MY LIFE, BECAUSE...

##### 1. ... IT WILL TEST MY \_\_\_\_\_.

*"At this time, a man called Simeon was living in Jerusalem. He was a good man and he obeyed God. He had waited a long time to see the special person who would save Israel's people. The Holy Spirit was with him. The Holy Spirit had told him, 'You will not die yet. You know that the Lord God has promised to send his Messiah. You will see him before you die.' Now the day had come. The Holy Spirit told Simeon that he should go to the temple. Mary and Joseph were bringing the baby Jesus to do what God's rule said. Simeon went to them. He took Jesus and he held him in his arms. Then he thanked God. He said: 'Master, I am your servant. You have done what you promised to me. Now I can die with no trouble in my mind. I really have seen the person that you have sent to save your people. You have sent him to the world and people everywhere will know about him. He will bring light to people so that they*

can know you. He will show you to those people who are not Jews. He will also show that your people of Israel are very special.’ That is what Simeon said about Jesus. His message surprised Mary and Joseph very much.”

**Luke 2:25-33** (EASY)

2. ...IT WILL \_\_\_\_\_ WHO I REALLY  
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“Then Simeon asked God to be good and kind to Mary and to Joseph. After that, he spoke to Mary, the mother of Jesus. He said to her, ‘God has chosen this baby. Many people in Israel will become worse because of him. And many of them will become better again because of him. He will be like a sign that points to God. But many people will speak against him. This will show their secret thoughts about God. This will make you very sad, too. It will seem like a sharp knife is cutting into you. That is how sad you will be.”

**Luke 2:34-35** (EASY)

“Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea. This happened while Herod was king of Judea. After Jesus’ birth, Wise Men from the east came to Jerusalem. They asked, ‘Where is the child who has been born to be king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose. Now we have come to worship him.’ When King Herod heard about it, he was very upset. Everyone in Jerusalem was troubled too.”

**Matthew 2:1-3** (NIRV)

3. ...IT WILL REVEAL MY \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_.

*“When King Herod heard about it, he was very upset. Everyone in Jerusalem was troubled too. So Herod called together all the chief priests of the people. He also called the teachers of the law. He asked them where the Messiah was going to be born. ‘In Bethlehem in Judea,’ they replied. ‘This is what the prophet has written. He said, ‘But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are certainly not the least important among the towns of Judah. A ruler will come out of you. He will rule my people Israel like a shepherd.’ (Micah 5:2) Then Herod secretly called for the Wise Men. He found out from them exactly when the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem. He said, ‘Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report it to me. Then I can go and worship him too.”*

**Matthew 2:3-8 (NIRV)**

4. ...IT WILL \_\_\_\_\_ WHAT I VALUE \_\_\_\_\_.

*“After the king had spoken, they went on their way. The star they had seen in the East went before them. It came and stopped over the place where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with much joy. They went into the house and found the young Child with Mary, His mother. Then they got*

*down before Him and worshiped Him. They opened their bags of riches and gave Him gifts of gold and perfume and spices. Then God spoke to them in a dream. He told them not to go back to Herod. So they went to their own country by another road.”*

**Matthew 2:9-12** (NLV)