

# ***Characters of Christmas***

## ***Simeon: The Fourth Wise Man***

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### ***Luke 2.21-35***

Though we don't know exactly how many Magi came to see the child Jesus, tradition tells us there were three. Assuming this to be correct, let's look at a story of another man who saw Jesus soon after his birth—probably sooner than the Magi. His name was Simeon, and today we will call him the “fourth” wise man, and we will say that his wisdom was even greater than that of the Magi. Why do we say that?

❄ **The other three searched the \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
Simeon searched the \_\_\_\_\_ .**

❄ **The other three followed the \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
Simeon followed the \_\_\_\_\_ .**

❄ **The other three gave \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
Simeon gave \_\_\_\_\_ .**

❄ **The other three traveled \_\_\_\_\_ another way;  
Simeon went \_\_\_\_\_ to be with the Lord.**

***Simeon had a great advantage over the Magi. So do we.  
Let us be wise people by following Simeon's example.***