

Advent – 3 JOY: “The Cost of Saying Yes”
Luke 2:25-35

My question of Mary, if I could really ask her, would be this, “*If you knew then, on that day, that you said ‘Yes’ to God, back at the very beginning, as a young teenage girl; if you knew then what you know now about what all that cost you, would you still say ‘Yes’?*”

Simeon says to Mary, “*because of Him, a sword will pierce your own soul as well.*”

Three events in the life of Mary, which I believe speak to the piercing of this sword and the cost of Mary’s “Yes”.

- I. **The first event:** came to Mary, not long after Simeon’s prophesy when an angel appeared in **Matthew 2:13** to warn them.

- II. **Second event:** Mary and His brothers come to see Jesus. **Luke 8, Mark 3, Matthew 12**

- III. **Third event:** Mary at the cross.

Application: