



Resources

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Luke 2:41-52

41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. 42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. 43 And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, 44 but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, 45 and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. 46 After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. 47 And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. 48 And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." 49 And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"^h 50 And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. 51 And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

Sermon Outline:

- I. The Family's Trip to Passover (41-42)
- II. Jesus Missing (43-45)
- III. Jesus Found (46-50)
- IV. The Family's Return to Nazareth (51-52)

Life Group Leader Notes:





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- Our text this week covered the only passage that we have about Jesus' childhood. What is the significance of the Passover happening in Jerusalem at the same time as this event in Jesus' life?

 - During his sermon, Pastor Scott shared some thoughts from one of our elders, John LaShell, about the incarnation of Christ. John noted that "the incarnation enabled the second Person of the Trinity to bring together two sets of experiences and activities that otherwise would have been incompatible with each other." What are some examples of these two sets of experiences in Christ that seem incompatible?

 - John LaShell said, "the eternal Person, the Son of God... Experienced growth in knowledge and wisdom while simultaneously being unchangeable." Look at Luke 2:40 & 52. When do we see both growth in wisdom and unchangeableness in Christ's life?

 - In this story we saw Jesus' obedience to His heavenly Father even at a young age. Consider what obedience looks like in your own life. What drives obedience to God? How can we remain steadfast in our obedience? What tools do we have to live in obedience to God?

 - When He was young, the teachers in Israel marveled at Jesus but when He grew older they rejected and despised Him to the point of plotting His death. Are there people in your life who once seemed to believe in Christ and have since turned from Him and His word? How can we pray for those friends and family members?

