



Jesus' Family Went to the Temple

Luke 2:41-52 | Winter Unit 2 Session 1

Wednesday 4th and Sunday 8th

Unit Verse

Jesus said, "I came to do God's work." John 6:38

Life Point

Jesus grew and followed God's plan for Him.

Level of Biblical Learning

Jesus grew like me and had a family.

Devotion

What a delight it is to see families bring their young children to church! What a privilege it is to teach these young ones about Jesus!

Jesus' family took Him to the temple regularly. The temple would have become familiar to Him, and the people there may have known Jesus' name and cared about His spiritual development.

During one visit to the Passover Festival in Jerusalem, Jesus talked with the teachers in the temple. Jesus asked questions, listened, and learned. Often you can learn as much about someone by the questions he asks as the answers he gives. This appears to have happened with Jesus. He astounded onlookers with His questions, understanding, and answers.

Picture yourself as Jesus' earthly parent who took Him regularly to worship services. You would know—at least on some level—that He was God's Son. How hard would it have been to understand this situation? Interestingly, even though He was God, Jesus was obedient to His parents.

Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and He grew in favor with God and people. Do you think you have grown in godly wisdom over the years? How does growing in favor with God affect how you view people and how others view you?

Think about the kids you teach. How do you see God prompting wisdom and favor in each of them? How might God want you to continue nurturing that growth?