

Jesus as a Young Boy in the Temple: Jesus' First Recognition of Messiahship

Luke 02: 41-52

<p>1 <i>His faithfulness in worship was noteworthy</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Parents' faithfulness b. Parents taught Him c. Jesus' special year: Became a man at age twelve <p>2 <i>His social development was normal</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. His parents left to return home b. Jesus was missing from the caravan c. His parents thought He was with others, playing and socializing d. His parents returned to find Him <p>3 <i>His knowledge was surprising</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. He listened to teachers b. He asked questions <p>4 <i>His mission was misunderstood by His parents</i></p>	<p>41 Every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover.</p> <p>42 When he was twelve years old, they went up to the Feast, according to the custom.</p> <p>43 After the Feast was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it.</p> <p>44 Thinking he was in their company, they travelled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends.</p> <p>45 When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him.</p> <p>46 After three days they found him in the temple courts sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.</p> <p>47 Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers.</p> <p>48 When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you."</p>
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<p>5 <i>His first known recognition of Messiahship was at an early age</i></p>	<p>49 “Why were you searching for me?” he asked. “Didn’t you know I had to be in my Father’s house?”</p> <p>50 But they did not understand what he was saying to them.</p>
<p>6 <i>His obedience to His parents was striking</i></p>	<p>51 Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart.</p>
<p>7 <i>His growth was in favour with both God and man</i></p>	<p>52 And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and men.</p>