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Luke 1-2



# Jesus as a Boy

Luke 2:39 - 52





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39 And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. 40 And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.



# Council of Chalcedon

Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. – *Philippians 2:5b - 7*



41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem  
every year at the Feast of the Passover.



# Jesus Misplaced

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,



# Jesus Misplaced

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.



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47 And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

48 And when his parents saw him, they were astonished.



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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."



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Fathers, do not provoke your children  
– *Ephesians 6:4a*



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- 1 Timothy 5:1 - 2



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50 And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them.



# Submission

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.



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