



Children's Bulletin

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"Growing In God"

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Luke 2:41-52 New International Version (NIV)

⁴¹ Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. ⁴² When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. ⁴³ After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it.

⁴⁴ Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. 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." ⁴⁹ "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁵¹ Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵² **And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.**

1 Timothy 4:12-15 New International Version (NIV)

¹² Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. ¹³ Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching. ¹⁴ Do not neglect your gift, which was given you through prophecy when the body of elders laid their hands on you. ¹⁵ Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress.

1 John 4:7-8 New International Version (NIV)

⁷ Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

Take notes by drawing or writing key words from the sermon.

Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:41-52)

Jesus took a special trip each year when He was a boy. To learn about this trip, add or subtract letters to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

1. Jesus took the trip when He was $\frac{S+1}{S}$ $\frac{T+3}{T}$ $\frac{J-5}{J}$ $\frac{O-3}{O}$ $\frac{T+2}{T}$ $\frac{C+2}{C}$ years old.

2. Jesus went with $\frac{K+2}{K}$ $\frac{C-2}{C}$ $\frac{Q+1}{Q}$ $\frac{W+2}{W}$, His mother, and $\frac{L-2}{L}$ $\frac{P-1}{P}$ $\frac{V-3}{V}$ $\frac{G-2}{G}$ $\frac{O+1}{O}$ $\frac{F+2}{F}$, His father, to celebrate Passover.

3. On the trip back, Jesus' parents could not find Him. They thought He was

$\frac{M-1}{M}$ $\frac{R-3}{R}$ $\frac{R+1}{R}$ $\frac{X-4}{X}$.

4. They looked for $\frac{F+4}{F}$ $\frac{G-2}{G}$ $\frac{P+3}{P}$ $\frac{V-1}{V}$ $\frac{P+3}{P}$ in the city for

$\frac{U-1}{U}$ $\frac{J-2}{J}$ $\frac{Q+1}{Q}$ $\frac{I-4}{I}$ $\frac{I-4}{I}$ days.

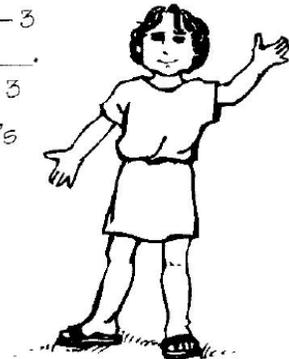
5. They found Him, talking to the teachers of the $\frac{P-4}{P}$ $\frac{B-1}{B}$ $\frac{Z-3}{Z}$ and asking

them $\frac{R-1}{R}$ $\frac{T+1}{T}$ $\frac{B+3}{B}$ $\frac{T-1}{T}$ $\frac{S+1}{S}$ $\frac{G+2}{G}$ $\frac{M+2}{M}$ $\frac{O-1}{O}$ $\frac{V-3}{V}$.

6. Jesus asked why they didn't know that He had to be in His Father's

$\frac{D+4}{D}$ $\frac{L+3}{L}$ $\frac{S+2}{S}$ $\frac{T-1}{T}$ $\frac{F-1}{F}$.

7. Then Jesus and His parents went $\frac{G+1}{G}$ $\frac{L+3}{L}$ $\frac{P-3}{P}$ $\frac{A+4}{A}$.



Write the circled letters from above on these lines:

first word _____ second word _____

Unscramble the two words. Write them in the sentence below.

How can you grow in your relationship with Jesus? Draw or write your answer.