

Boy Jesus in the Temple

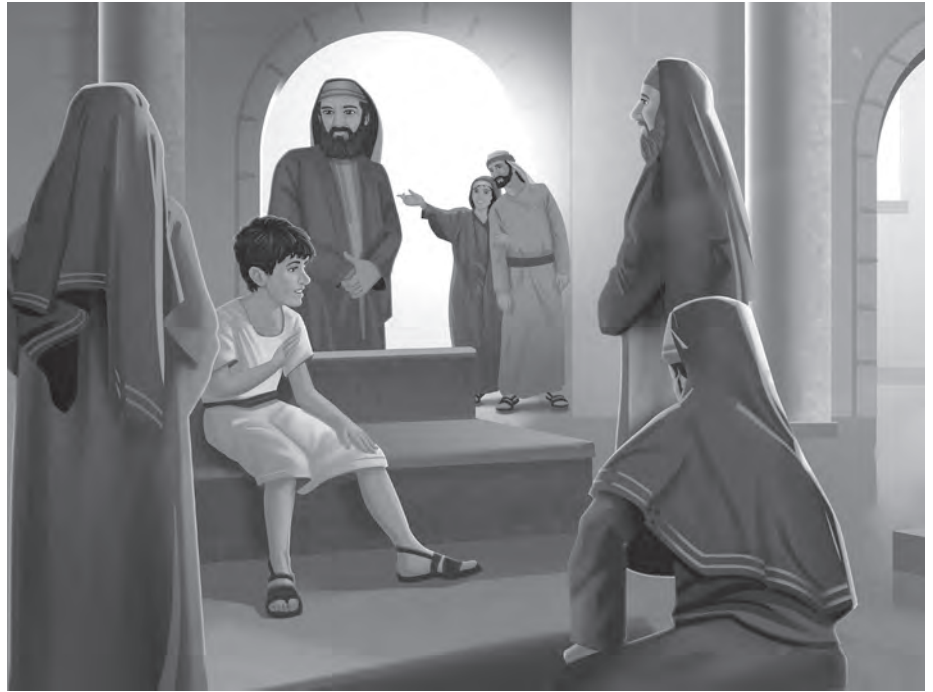
Luke 2:39-52

Every year, Jesus' family celebrated Passover.

They and the rest of their relatives would travel to Jerusalem for the celebration.

When the holiday was over, Jesus' family started walking back home.

After a little while, Mary and Joseph noticed something. Jesus was nowhere to be found!



Quickly, they hurried back to Jerusalem. It took them three days to find Jesus.

When they finally found him, he was sitting with the teachers and leaders of the temple. The men were amazed that Jesus understood so much about God!

Mary said, "Son, why have you done this?"

Jesus replied, "Didn't you know I would be in my Father's house?"

Then Jesus went home with Mary and Joseph. Jesus continued to grow and become wise.

God was pleased with Jesus, and so were people.

FAMILY DEVOTION

BIBLE PASSAGE: LUKE 2:52

Make a growth chart on a wall in your home. Use sheets of posterboard if you don't want to mark your wall. Mark the height of each member of the family (even the grownups!). Then, read the Bible passage.

- How does the verse say that Jesus grew? ("Jesus matured in wisdom and years, and in favor with God and with people" Luke 2:52, CEB).