

# LUKE Lesson 6

## Jesus at Twelve: Chapter 2:40-52 / Fulfilled Prophecies, Chapters 1-2

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The Bible is almost silent concerning the early life of Jesus. As a result, many traditions and superstitions have arisen out of the imaginations of men who feel the need to fill in the blanks about Jesus as a child. The short passage in Luke chapter 2 shows us that, as a boy, Jesus did not stand out from any other normal boy at a simple glance; no halo, no kingly dress, no entourage, no reputation among the people of His city, and no miracles. But God inserted this much in the Holy Bible to teach us some important things and to prevent false teachings about the boy Jesus.

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**41-42** Note that a step-father can be referred to as a “parent.” This does not contradict the fact that God is the Father of Jesus.

Families travelled to Jerusalem yearly for the Feast of Passover. This was one of three annual feasts that all Jewish males were required to attend each year (Deut 16:16). Passover represents Christ’s blood atonement on the cross (1 Cor 5:7).

**VS 43** Notice that Mary didn’t know that Jesus had stayed behind. She had no special abilities (as ascribed by the Catholic Church). She was a normal mother who lost track of her 12-year-old son.

### A SPIRITUAL TRUTH

**A Christian can “lose” Jesus.** You can’t lose your salvation (Heb. 13:5, Rom. 8:38-39, Eph 4:30, Phil. 1:6, Rom. 8:29). The New Testament Christian CAN be “*out of fellowship with the Lord.*” The Old Testament term is “*backslidden*” (Proverbs 14:14, Hosea 4:16).

- You can lose your fellowship when you allow the world, the flesh, or the Devil get advantage over you (Peter in Matthew 16:16-23, John 13:8-9, Luke 22:31). Peter lost his fellowship with the Lord and had to be “converted” (Luke 22:32); he’d lost his discipleship (Mark 16:7). His fellowship needed to be restored (Luke 24:34, 1 Cor. 15:5).
- You can lose fellowship when you get mad at the Lord. Peter got angry with the Lord when He wouldn’t allow him to fight for Him (John 18:11) which resulted in him denying the Lord (John 18:17, 25, 27). See also Jonah (Jonah 4:9) and Job (Job 7:19-21). You can get mad at God.

### VERSES 43-46

I. **Mary lost Christ at a religious meeting.** \_\_\_\_\_

II. **She lost Him; He didn’t lose her.** \_\_\_\_\_

III. **She lost Him in one day.** \_\_\_\_\_

IV. **She lost Him and she didn’t even know it.** \_\_\_\_\_

V. **Losing her Son brought her fear and sorrow.** (see 2 Tim. 1:7). \_\_\_\_\_

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**VS 46** Why did it take them three days to find Him? Notice that the temple was the last place they looked for Him. If you have a normal 12-year-old son, the church is the last place you’d expect to find him.

**VS 47** Everyone was “**astonished at his understanding and answers.**” See John 7:15, Mark 1:22, and John 7:46.

**VS 48** Why did Mary say, “**Thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing?**” She didn’t want anyone to think Jesus was an illegitimate child. Later when Jesus was ministering, some Jews said, “**We be not born of fornication,**” implying that He was (John 8:41) so, Mary’s fear was legitimate, but not acceptable.

**VS 49** Jesus corrected Mary. He was surprised that she didn’t expect that He’d be about His “**Father’s business.**” This business would continue to His last breath (Luke 23:46, John 19:30). He certainly wasn’t referring to Joseph, or He’d have been found in the carpenter’s shop.

There is something significant about the age of 12. This seems to be the first time the Lord Jesus acknowledges who He is and what He is meant to do. Most likely His eyes were opened through the Holy Scriptures (Ps 2:7, Isa 9:6, Isa 53:5, Heb 10:7).

**VS 50** Neither Mary nor Joseph understood what Jesus was referring to. Mary was not the “*Mother of God.*”

**VS 51** Jesus was subject unto His parents in obedience to the Law (Eph 6:1-3, Ex 20:12, Deut 5:16).

**VS 52** This is the fourfold increase of Jesus Christ: He would increase in (1) **Wisdom:** mental maturity (see Colossians 2:3, 1 Cor 1:30, Ps 119:100), (2) **Stature:** physical maturity, (3) **In favour with God:** spiritual maturity, and (4) **In favour with man:** social maturity.

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<b>1. That the Messiah would be born of a virgin</b>	Isaiah 7:14	Luke 1:27, 2:7, Matthew 1:22-23
<b>2. That He would be given the throne of David</b>	2 Samuel 7:11-12, Psalm 132:11, Isaiah 9:6-7, 16:5, Jeremiah 23:5	Luke 1:32
<b>3. That His throne would be an eternal throne</b>	Daniel 2:44, 7:14, Micah 4:7	Luke 1:33
<b>4. That He would be called Emmanuel</b>	Isaiah 7:14	Matthew 1:22
<b>5. That He would have a forerunner</b>	Isaiah 40:3-5, Malachi 3:1	Luke 1:76, Luke 3:3-4
<b>6. That He would be born in Bethlehem</b>	Micah 5:2	Luke 2:4-6, Matthew 2:5-6
<b>7. That He would be worshipped by wise men</b>	Psalm 72:10, Isaiah 60:3, 6, 9	Matthew 2:1-12 (fits in Luke 2:39)
<b>8. That He would be in Egypt for a season</b>	Numbers 24:8, Hosea 11:1	Matthew 2:13-15
<b>9. That His birthplace would suffer a massacre of infants</b>	Jeremiah 31:15	Matthew 2:16-18
<b>10. That He would be called a Nazarene</b>	This prophecy was “spoken,” not written. (Matt 2:23)	Luke 1:26, 2:4, 39, Matthew 2:23