

JESUS' EARLY CHILDHOOD Pt. 2

(Luke 2:39-52)

I. THE BIRTH OF THE CHRIST (2:1-20)

II. THE EARLY YEARS OF JESUS (2:21-52)

A. The CIRCUMCISION and NAMING of Jesus (2:21)

B. The PRESENTATION of Jesus in the Temple (2:22-24)

C. The BLESSINGS and WARNINGS of Simeon and Anna (2:25-38)

D. Jesus and His family observe the FEAST of PASSOVER in Jerusalem (2:39-52)

1. Joseph and Mary returned to their hometown of Nazareth; Jesus would eventually be identified as “the Nazarene.” His enemies would use the name _____, and Pilate would hang it on the _____. (v. 39)

* What was true of Jesus' human development? (v. 40)

2. Luke emphasized once again how Joseph and Mary were _____ Jews who observed Passover in Jerusalem _____ year; and he gives us the _____ story from Jesus' boyhood years. (vv. 41-42)

3. The one-day Passover was followed by the _____-day Feast of Unleavened Bread, at some point Joseph and Mary rejoined the caravan returning to Nazareth, _____ leaving Jesus behind. (vv. 43-44)

4. The “*three days*” refer to the time since they had left the city— they had traveled _____ day's journey away from the city; it took them a _____ day to get back; they then found Him on the _____ day. (vv. 45-46a)

* Luke's preposition “*sitting in the midst of...*” tells us what?

5. Those who heard Jesus at the age of 12 asking questions and interacting with the “master teachers” of Israel were absolutely _____ out of their _____. (vv. 46b-47)

* In order for this to be true, what can be assumed about Jesus’ home life?

6. Joseph and Mary were so “*amazed*” (Gk. *ekplesso*) by all this, it was as if they had been _____ by a blow, and were standing there in complete _____. (v. 48a)

7. Mary’s question had the force of a _____; and even though it was unnecessary, it is completely understandable coming from a _____ mother. (vv. 48b)

8. Mary’s loving rebuke brought a _____ but _____ reply from Jesus, “*Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father’s business?*” (v. 49)

a. These are the very first _____ of the Lord Jesus.

b. Jesus’ obedience to His heavenly Father’s will did _____ involve disobedience to his earthly parents; His question merely implied that His parents should have _____ His priorities.

c. The word “_____” is a present/indicative verb and it speaks of the Messianic consciousness of the necessity that was laid on Him.

9. Verses 40 and 52 are _____ describing the childhood and young adult life of the only _____ human being, the Lord Jesus Christ. (vv. 51-52)

* What can you personally apply from this passage?