



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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Luke 2:41-52 Application

1. Our families will have more of an opportunity to follow the Lord Jesus if we consistently seek to serve the Lord through prayer, study of the Bible, and obedience to God, which Joseph and Mary did with their Son, Jesus.
2. We can assume things about others that may cause us great distress if they surprise us. Jesus showed His love and commitment to God in a serious way when He remained in the House of His Heavenly Father to study the scriptures with religious leaders and other devout lovers of God.
3. Notice what Jesus did at the age of 12 that He often did later. His example can be an example for us as we seek to learn the truth and teach others. First, Jesus listened to what others said; then; second, He asked questions that led some to faith in the true God. He conducted His public ministry by asking timely questions. For another example, consider Jesus' discussion with the Samaritan woman at the well in John 4.
4. Jesus did nothing wrong. Perhaps His mother felt somewhat guilty about not watching over Jesus better when she blamed Jesus for the cause of her anxiety. Some will accuse Christians of sins they never committed.
5. Jesus was always obedient to His parents, and Luke emphasized Jesus' obedience through His continued obedience to His heavenly Father and earthly parents. Jesus increased in divine and human favor as He grew older. So can we, beginning at any age, live obediently to the Lord Jesus Christ and increase in divine wisdom and favor with our Father.

Your Application — Your Takeaway Notes

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