

Bringing Home THE Story . . .

Boy Jesus Studies in the Temple

Luke 17:11-19

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<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+2&version=ESV>



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OPENING PRAYER

To be read by an adult or older child

Dear Father, we thank You for the gift of family. We aren't perfect and make mistakes. Help us to love each other and forgive each other . . .

In Jesus' name.

Amen.

SOME QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILD

It's good for a parent to ask the child the question AFTER they share THEIR own answer . . .

Have you ever been lost?

How would your mother & father feel if you got lost?

What is something your **mother** has taught you?

What is something your **father** has taught you?

Who is teaching you about Jesus?

WHAT WAS THIS STORY ABOUT?

WE OFTEN FORGET THAT JESUS WAS A CHILD!

Though He was God's only Son, Jesus was obedient to Mary and Joseph (His mother & adopted father).

BUT THEY LOST HIM!

He was in Jerusalem in the Temple:

- Actively listening to the teachers,
- Asking questions that amazed the teachers, and
- Honoring His heavenly Father

Jesus was where He was supposed to be - Mary & Joseph had forgotten WHO He was . . . they should have known He would be in His Father's house.

LIFE APPLICATION: Parents are the primary teachers of their children - including their spiritual life. Teach the truth about the Lord and His plans for your children. Don't be afraid to use your Pastor as a resource!

CLOSING PRAYER

Echo Prayer (Parent says a line and the children repeat it)

Dear Father	Dear Father
thank You	thank You
for my family.	for my family.
Bless all of us	Bless all of us
with Your love	with Your love
and Your forgiveness	and Your forgiveness
In Jesus' name	In Jesus' name
Amen	Amen