

**Living with
Jesus
First Church of
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Monday Night
Bible Study •
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**Twelve-Year Old
Jesus
Luke 2:41–52**

I. Welcome, Introductions and Prayer

**Teaser: Did you
ever get lost as a
kid? What was
that experience
like? How did you
“get found?”**

II. Overview of Living with Jesus

- **What would it have been like to “hang out” with Jesus? What were the things that were important to him?**
- **Fly-over of Jesus’ life and teachings**

III. Things to Keep in Mind for Tonight

**a. Jesus is 12. In
Jewish terms,
that's the year
before becoming
an adult.**

**Thirteen was a
big deal in
Roman and
Jewish society.**

**b. Family. Jesus'
dad is Joseph, a**

**carpenter.
Jesus' mom is
Mary, probably
with other small
children. (See
Mark 6:3).**

**c. Passover. Next
to Yom Kippur
(in the fall), the
Passover is the
biggest deal for
Jews.**

**Remembers the
story of God**

rescuing God's people from Egypt. (You can read the story in Exodus 7-15.) In Jesus' time, every family would bring (or buy) a lamb for sacrifice, then eat the lamb together at the Passover meal,

**the highpoint of
the festival.**

d. Travel. The trip from Nazareth to Jerusalem was roughly three days. Everyone who was going from the village would travel together.

e. Size of the Temple complex. Think

**Gillette Stadium
plus parking
lots.**

IV.A Few Notes

- **amazed** — Greek indicates amazed or confused.
- **understanding** — Greek *synesis*. The English word, *synthesis*,

comes from this root.

Understanding is how we put things together.

- **astonished —**

***Astonished* comes from an Old English word that indicates you get hit in the head with a stone. Imagine the look on your**

**face in that
moment (don't
worry about the
pain...that
comes later ☺)**

- **distress** — The Greek word indicates that he has caused them painful anxiety.
- **obedient** — lit. *to stand under; submit or obey*

**the authority of
another.**

- **stature** — not just physical stature, but character
- **favor** — related to the word for grace.

Questions to Guide Discussion

- a. What do we learn about Jesus' character traits from this passage? What kind of person was he?**
- b. According to this, what does Jesus know about His**

relationship with God?

c. Do you identify more with Jesus or his parents tonight? Why do you think?

d. Are you looking for Jesus? Is Jesus speaking to you tonight?

e. Is it hard to balance the different areas

**of our lives?
What is Jesus'
solution here?**

V. Conclusions
**We can always
find Jesus if we
look hard
enough.**
**The way Jesus
understands is
mind-blowing!**
**Growing in a
balanced way is**

**the way to great
health and
maturity.**

**Schedule for
“Living with
Jesus” Bible
Study**

Date	Topic
	Scripture

**1/9 Jesus in the
Temple at age 12
Luke 2:41–2:52**

**1/16 Jesus
is baptized
Matthew 3:13–
4:1**

**1/23 Jesus
chooses disciples**

Luke 5:1–11

**1/30 Jesus feeds
5,000 Mark 6:30–
44**

2/6

**Communion:
Peter's Confession
Matthew 16:13–**

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