FROM MANGER TO MAJESTY

The Missing King "sonship to Sonship" Luke 2:39-52

And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

Luke 2:39-40

Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom.

Luke 2:41-42



The Passover Feast commemorates Israel's deliverance from slavery in Egypt. Jews also celebrate the birth of the Jewish nation after being freed by God from captivity. The 12th year was the final year of preparation for a boy before he entered manhood. Up until that time his parents, especially his father, were teaching him the commandments of the law, but at the end of the 12th year the child goes through a ceremony by which he formally takes on the yoke of the law and becomes a bar mitzvah or "son of the commandment."

12 Year Old Boys - Then & Now THEN: Will I be working out in this field 10 or 12 hours today? NOW: Will my parents leave me alone long enough for me to collect the battle stars I need in Fortnite to level up?



12 Year Old Boys - Then & Now

THEN: When am I going to finally get some sandals? I'm sick of walking around barefoot. NOW: Everyone else has the new Jordans. Why is it taking my parents so long to get me mine?

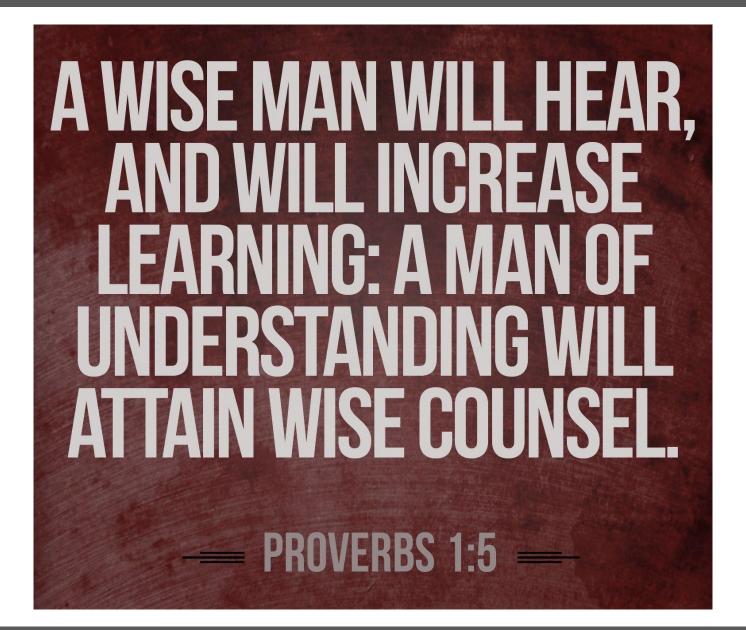
12 Year Old Boys - Then & Now

THEN: Which of these girls in my village will my parents choose for me to marry? NOW: Why does my mom insist on me dressing up and going to this awkward Cotillion Dance?

"I thought you had him"

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.

Luke 2:46



The blood was put on the door posts as a foreshadowing of the coming Redeemer. THAT **REDEEMER WAS SITTING** IN THEIR PRESENCE IN THE FORM OF A 10 YEAR **OLD BOY ASKING QUESTIONS AND BLOWING THEM AWAY** WITH HIS WISDOM!



PASSOVER

who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

Luke 2:46

The main point of the whole passage probably lies in the contrast between "your father" and "my father." Mary says, "Your father and I have been searching for you." Jesus answers, "You should have known I would be at the house of my Father." In other words, Jesus has chosen this crucial stage in his life, on the brink of manhood, to tell his parents in an unforgettable way that he now knows who his real Father is and what it will mean for his mission.

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And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Matthew 22:37-39

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

1 Peter 2:9-12