

## Grow Up

Describe a time when you got separated from your parents when you were a child. Who lost whom? Who was more concerned about it?

Read Luke 2:39-52.

1. What does it mean, “the grace of God was on Jesus” as a child (Luke 2:40)?
  - A. Jesus got special favors from God.
  - B. Jesus received the same favors God offers to us.
  - C. It’s just a religious thing to say, like “Bless you.”
  - D. Supernatural stuff was happening.
  - E. Spiritual battles were the norm as Jesus grew up.
  - F. Jesus stood out as someone different from the other kids.
  - G. Jesus was very religious.
  - H. God’s power showed through Jesus as He grew up.
  - I. Other.
  
2. How can teens today be like Jesus was during His teen years?
  - A. Be gentle and don’t cause any problems.
  - B. Do religious things like reading the Bible and praying.
  - C. We have no idea what Jesus was like during His teen years.
  - D. By inviting Jesus into your life, He will live through you at any age.
  - E. Be a Pathfinder; better yet, a Master Guide.
  - F. Spend time in nature.
  - G. Communicate with God by talking and listening.
  - H. Other.
  
3. Why was 12-year-old Jesus in the temple for three days without His parents?
  - A. He got lost.
  - B. They got lost.
  - C. He lost track of time.
  - D. God wanted Him to be there.
  - E. He felt right at home in His Father’s house.
  - F. He didn’t know His way back to Nazareth.
  - G. The religious teachers convinced Him to stay.
  - H. It was His way of running away from home.
  - I. Other.

4. How did Jesus' parents lose Him?
  - A. They weren't paying close enough attention.
  - B. Something like this had never happened to them previously.
  - C. They traveled as a group and expected the kids to keep up.
  - D. Their focus was on other things.
  - E. They weren't helicopter parents.
  - F. Their recent Passover experiences occupied their minds.
  - G. It's easy to lose Jesus.
  - H. Other.
  
5. Jesus was God, but also human. What did "being human" include?
  - A. Physical changes in His body as He grew up.
  - B. He had a lot to learn.
  - C. Self-discipline wasn't automatic.
  - D. Emotions, including new emotions during His teen years.
  - E. Sexual urges once He reached puberty.
  - F. He had to figure out how to communicate with God.
  - G. Developing His own identity that was separate from His parents.
  - H. Other.
  
6. How are you doing in terms of increasing in:
  - A. Knowledge.
  - B. Wisdom.
  - C. Physical growth.
  - D. Emotional maturity.
  - E. Social skills.
  - F. Spiritual growth.
  - G. Family respect.
  - H. Love for others.
  - I. Other.
  
7. What advantages did Jesus have as a kid compared to you? What disadvantages did He have compared to you?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. What growth happens in you naturally? What do you have to be intentional to develop? What comes with great difficulty?