

Adult Sunday School Lesson
Nassau Bay Baptist Church
January 3, 2021

Read Luke 2:25-35

Read Luke 2:41-52

While in this passage we see several things, let us focus on family relationships. Let us look at the relationships that the Son of God had both with his Heavenly Father and with his earthly parents. First, let's see a bit about the Son.

Jesus As A Boy

At this time, Jesus was twelve years old. (42)

He was an independent actor. (43)

- Evidently, He was a bit of a loner, perhaps due to His focus on spiritual matters.

He was trusted. (43)

He was eager to learn spiritual and religious things. (46)

- Evidently, he was not omniscient as a human.
- He could occupy multiple teachers.
- He was not teaching, but listening and asking.

He already had great understanding. (47)

He assumed His parents would know where He was. (49)

He grew/advanced/progressed physically and mentally/spiritually and relationally. (52)

Jesus and His Family

Jesus was of mixed parentage. Father=God; Mother=Human; Adoptive Father=Human

Human parents were not omniscient. (44)

Human parents were worried, and Mary rebuked Him as mothers do. (48)

Jesus assumed Joseph and Mary would know where His focus would be—on the Father and in His House. (49)

But they did not understand what He was saying. After all they had seen and had been told, after twelve years of living with him, they did not understand their Son and His relationship to His Father. (50)

Even though His focus was upon His father, He still obeyed them and was submissive (*hupotasso*) to them. (51; Ephesians 6:1; Exodus 20:12)