



About my Father's ...

Luke 2:40-52

The Birth and Early Childhood of Christ

Birth of John Baptist foretold		1:5-25
Annunciation of the birth of Jesus		1:26-38
Mary visits Elizabeth		1:39-56
Birth of John the Baptist		1:57-80
The two genealogies	1:1-17	3:23-38
Birth of Jesus Christ	1:18-25	2:1-7
The watching shepherds		2:8-20
The circumcision		2:21
Presentation in the temple		2:22-38
The wise men from the East	2:1-12	
Flight into Egypt, and return to Nazareth	2:13-23	2:39
Christ in the temple with the doctors		2:40-52

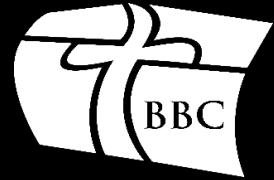




Luke 2:40

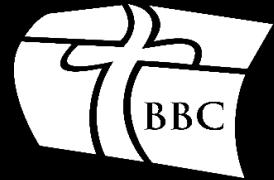
•And the child grew and became strong,

Hebrews 5:8-9



- Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.
- And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,

Hebrews 2:18



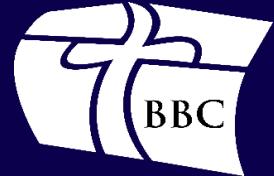
- For because **he himself has suffered when tempted**, he is able to help those who are being tempted.



Luke 2:40

- And the child grew and became strong, **filled with wisdom.**
- And the favor of God was upon him.

...and v. 52



Luke 2:52

•And Jesus **increased in wisdom**
and in stature and in favor with
God and man.

**Filled with Wisdom
Increased in Wisdom**

What is it?

Wisdom, as in the OT, is a God-given and God-centered discernment regarding the practical issues in life.

ESV Study Bible

Wisdom is the insight and practical understanding concerning how to live in a fallen world in a way that is consistently pleasing to God.

My Definition



How do I increase in wisdom?

How do I gain insight and understanding?



Struggles w/ Translation

Grace v. Favor

Luke 2:40 (AV)

And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.

Luke 2:52 (AV)

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.



Grace & Favor As in Both



In Favor w/ God & Man



Luke 2:41-42

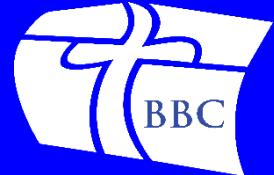
- Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover.

- 1. What is the Passover?**
- 2. What are we remembering?**
- 3. Where do we find instruction about it ?**
- 4. What does this say about Joseph and Mary?**



Luke 2:41-42

- And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom.

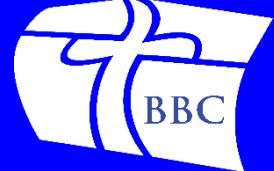


What is the significance of 12 years old?

12 Years Old

**At which age he was known as a son of the law,
and came under obligation to observe the ordinances
personally.**

Word Studies in the New Testament, vol. 1 (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1887), 277.



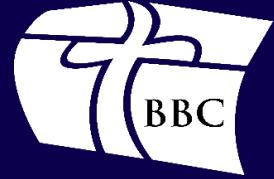
Are we missing something in the church?

12y, 16y, 18y, 21y?

Extended Adolescence: When 25 Is the New 18

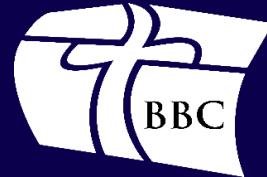
It is a common grumble that children grow up too fast. No more. Teens are in no hurry to embrace the putative joys of adulthood

By [Bret Stetka](#) on September 19, 2017



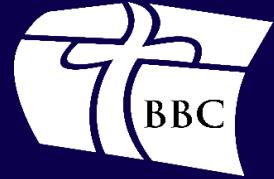
Luke 2:43-44

•And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it,⁴⁴ but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances,



Luke 2:45

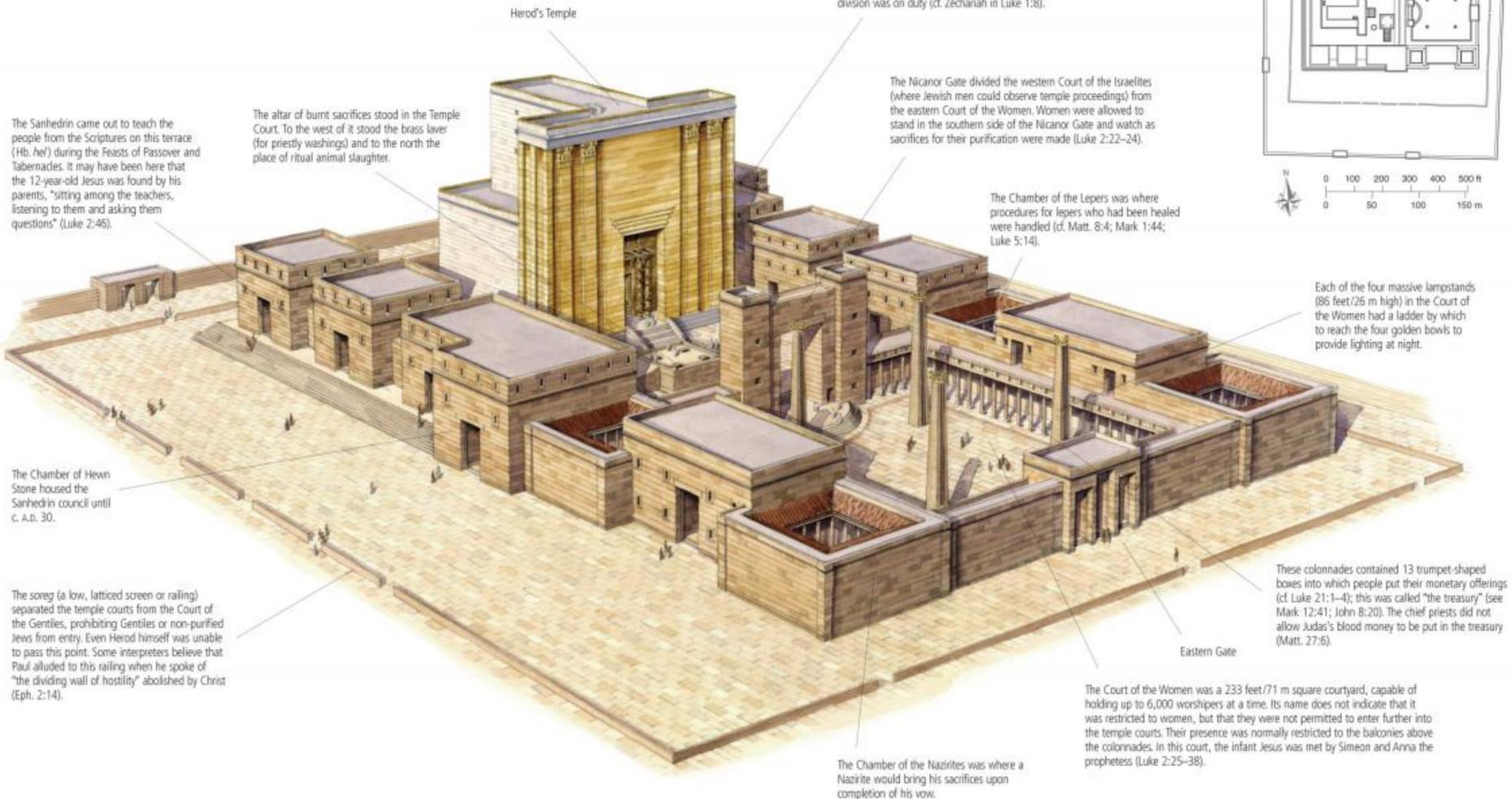
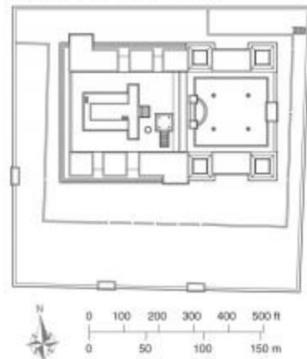
- And when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him.

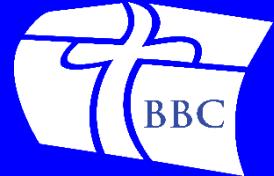


Luke 2:46

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

Temple Complex Architectural Plan





Asking Questions...



Luke 2:47

- And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.



Luke 2:48

•And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, **“Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.”**



Luke 2:49

•And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?”



Luke 2:49

•And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?



House or Business

Which is Correct?

Textus Receptus

2:49 καὶ εἶπεν πρὸς αὐτούς Τί ὅτι ἐζητεῖτε με οὐκ ἥδειτε ὅτι ἐν τοῖς τοῦ πατρός μου δεῖ εἶναι με

Interlinear Reverse Interlinear

English (KJV) [?]	Strong's	Transliterated	Parsing
be	G1511	εἰναί	Inflected: εἰναί Root: εἰναί Strong's: G1511 Code: N-GSM Long: Noun - Genitive Singular Masculine
about	G1722	ἐν	Speech: Noun Case: Genitive Number: Singular Gender: Masculine
my	G3450	μου	Additional Resources
Father's business?	G3962	πατρός	Greek Verbs
		πατήρ	Simplified Greek Grammar PDF
		patér	Source Information

Morphological GNT

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BLUE LETTER BIBLE

Jesus is in His Father's house doing His Father's business.

The translators supply house or business for readability.



What are our take aways?



Excursus

Father

Why our preferred pronoun for God should be 'they'

Grammatically, if you can say 'you are,' you can say 'they is.'



Mark Silk

Spiritual Politics

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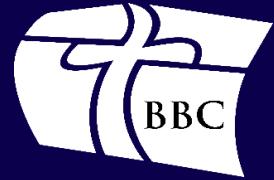
By [Mark Silk](#)



(RNS) — Writing last week in *The New York Times*, linguistics professor John McWhorter [waxed enthusiastic](#) about the advent of “they” as our all-purpose third-person-singular pronoun. As in, for example: “Roberta wants a haircut, and they also want some highlights.”

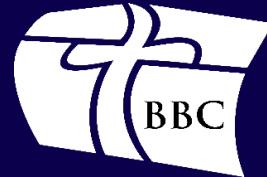
“Language change is a spectator sport,” McWhorter writes. “It isn’t whether but how things will change over time, and getting to witness a major change like what’s happening to ‘they’ is a kind of privilege, a top ticket.”

Not that I have a choice, but I’m down with this particular privilege. And here’s a modest proposal: Let’s extend it to God.



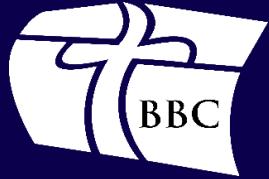
Luke 2:50

•And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them.



Luke 2:51

•And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.



Luke 2:19

- But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.