

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

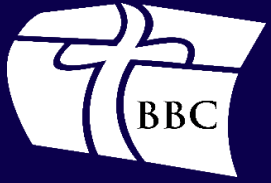


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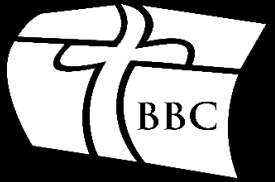
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Luke 2:40



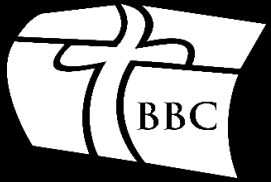
- **And the child grew and became strong,**

Hebrews 5:8-9



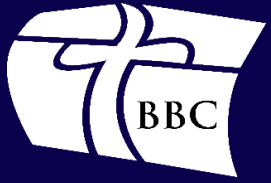
- Although he was a son, **he learned obedience through what he suffered.**
- And **being made perfect**, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,

Hebrews 2:18



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

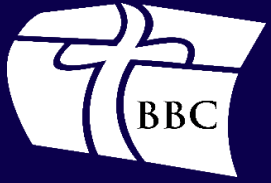
Luke 2:40



- 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)

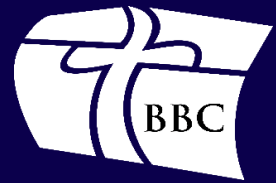
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Grace & Favor As in Both



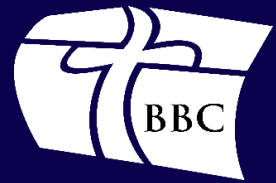
In Favor w/ God & Man



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.

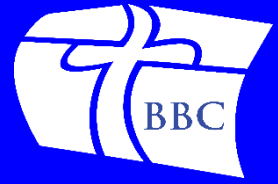


What is the significance of 12 years old?

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.



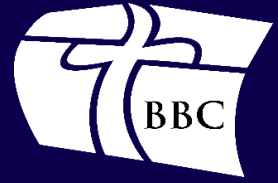
**Are we missing
something in the
church?**

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

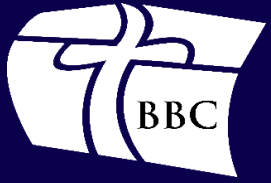
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Luke 2:43-44

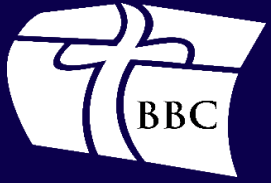
- And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, ⁴⁴ but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances,

Luke 2:45



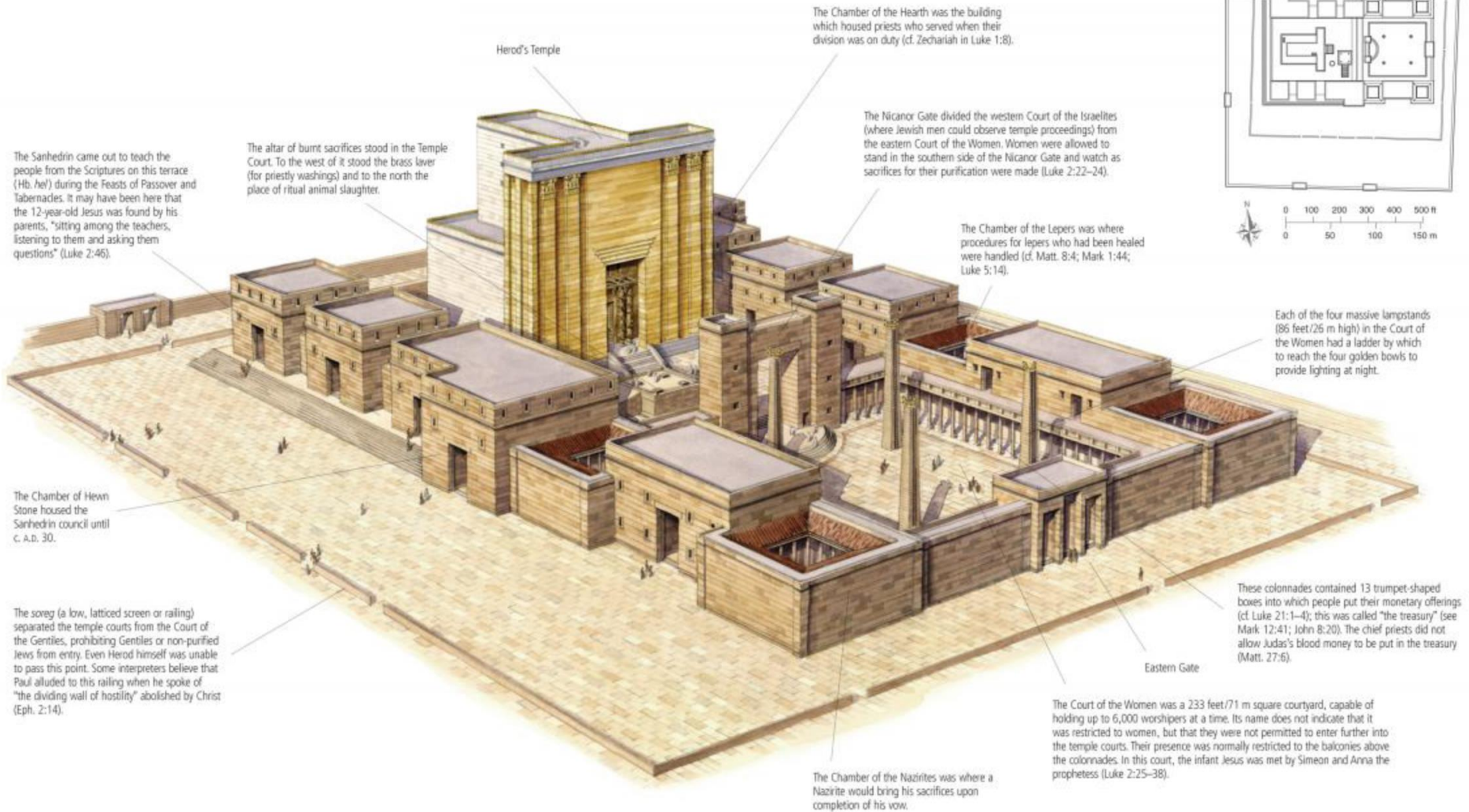
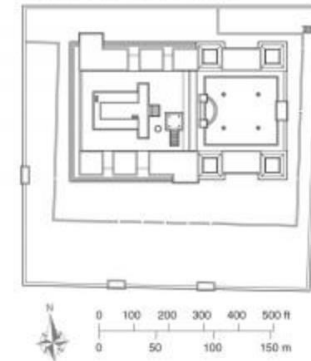
- And when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him.

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



The Sanhedrin came out to teach the people from the Scriptures on this terrace (Hb. *he'*) during the Feasts of Passover and Tabernacles. It may have been here that the 12-year-old Jesus was found by his parents, "sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions" (Luke 2:46).

The altar of burnt sacrifices stood in the Temple Court. To the west of it stood the brass laver (for priestly washings) and to the north the place of ritual animal slaughter.

Herod's Temple

The Chamber of the Hearth was the building which housed priests who served when their division was on duty (cf. Zechariah in Luke 1:8).

The Nicanor Gate divided the western Court of the Israelites (where Jewish men could observe temple proceedings) from the eastern Court of the Women. Women were allowed to stand in the southern side of the Nicanor Gate and watch as sacrifices for their purification were made (Luke 2:22-24).

The Chamber of the Lepers was where procedures for lepers who had been healed were handled (cf. Matt. 8:4; Mark 1:44; Luke 5:14).

Each of the four massive lampstands (86 feet/26 m high) in the Court of the Women had a ladder by which to reach the four golden bowls to provide lighting at night.

The Chamber of Hewn Stone housed the Sanhedrin council until c. A.D. 30.

The *soveq* (a low, latticed screen or railing) separated the temple courts from the Court of the Gentiles, prohibiting Gentiles or non-purified Jews from entry. Even Herod himself was unable to pass this point. Some interpreters believe that Paul alluded to this railing when he spoke of "the dividing wall of hostility" abolished by Christ (Eph. 2:14).

Eastern Gate

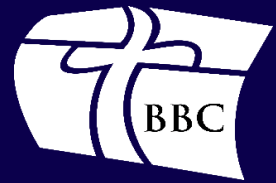
These colonnades contained 13 trumpet-shaped boxes into which people put their monetary offerings (cf. Luke 21:1-4); this was called "the treasury" (see Mark 12:41; John 8:20). The chief priests did not allow Judas's blood money to be put in the treasury (Matt. 27:6).

The Court of the Women was a 233 feet/71 m square courtyard, capable of holding up to 6,000 worshipers at a time. Its name does not indicate that it was restricted to women, but that they were not permitted to enter further into the temple courts. Their presence was normally restricted to the balconies above the colonnades. In this court, the infant Jesus was met by Simeon and Anna the prophetess (Luke 2:25-38).

The Chamber of the Nazirites was where a Nazirite would bring his sacrifices upon completion of his vow.



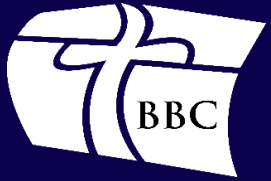
Asking Questions...



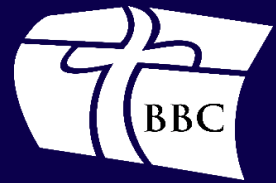
Luke 2:47

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

Luke 2:48



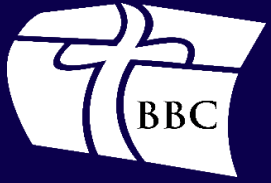
- And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.”



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?

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Textus Receptus

2:49 καὶ εἶπεν πρὸς αὐτούς τί ὅτι ἐζητεῖτέ με οὐκ ᾔδειτε ὅτι ἐν τοῖς τοῦ πατρός μου δεῖ εἶναί με

InterlinearReverse Interlinear

English (KJV) [?]	Strong's	Inflected, Root & Transliterated	Parsing
be	G1511	εἶναί εἶναι einai	V-PXN
about	G1722	ἐν ἐν en	PREP
my	G3450	μου μου mou	P-1GS
Father's business?	G3962	πατρός πατήρ patēr	N-GSM

Morphological GNT

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Greek Parsing

Inflected: πατρός

Root: πατήρ

Strong's: G3962

Code: N-GSM

Long: Noun - Genitive Singular
Masculine

Speech: Noun

Case: Genitive

Number: Singular

Gender: Masculine

Additional Resources

Greek Verbs

Simplified Greek Grammar PDF

Source Information



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.'



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Spiritual Politics

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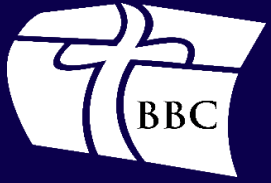


(RNS) — Writing last week in The New York Times, linguistics professor John McWhorter *waxed enthusiastic* about the advent of “they” as our all-purpose third-person-singular pronoun. As in, for example: “Roberta wants a haircut, and they also want some highlights.”

“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.”

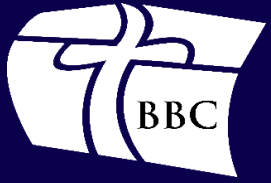
Not that I have a choice, but I’m down with this particular privilege. And here’s a modest proposal: Let’s extend it to God.

Luke 2:50

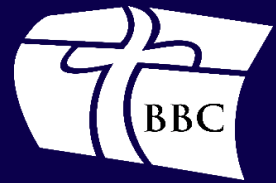


- And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them.

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.