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The Early Words of Jesus

Jesus was twelve years old, they attended the festival as u
r the celebration was over, they started home to Nazareth,
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ng to them and asking questions. All who heard him were an
understanding and his answers. His parents didn't know wh
Son," his mother said to him, "why have you done this to us?
and I have been frantic searching for you everywhere." "Bu

LUKE 2:41-45 (ESV)

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. And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, 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, and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him.

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LUKE 2:46-52 (ESV)

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. 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.” And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. 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. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favour with God and man.

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LUKE 2:44 (ESV)

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…

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JUDGES 16:20 (ESV)

‘But he did not know that the LORD had left him….’

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LUKE 2:49 (ESV)

And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me?”

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LUKE 2:49 (ESV)

“Didn’t you know that I had to be in my Father’s house?”

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LUKE 2:50 (ESV)

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

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PSALM 34:15 (ESV)

The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous
and His ears toward their cry.

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