Early Childhood – Level 2

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CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

#**06 - Jesus as a Boy** Luke 2:39-52

PICTURES (Note: Inserted in brackets at the appropriate place in the lesson is the number of the picture to show the students.

6-1 Jesus as a boy in the temple talking to the leaders

REVIEW (Before teaching lesson)

The Big Question Review: Who did Jesus come to save?
 Jesus is the savior of and a light of revelation to all people who believe in him.

<u>Lesson Rhyme Review</u>: What should we celebrate?

D—D
Dedicated
To the Lord
Their God above
D—D—Dedicated
To show devotion
And their love

Make sign of "D"

Move hands out palms up

Lift arms up above head

Wave arms back & forth

Same as above

Bow like in prayer

Put hands over heart with head bowed



• Introduction: (picture 6-1) What is this a picture of?

Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem to celebrate the feast of the Passover like God had said for them to do. This was an important Jewish celebration.

The year Jesus was 12 years old he stayed in Jerusalem and his parents started home without him. They didn't realize that he wasn't with the people they were traveling with.

When his parents went to find him he was in the temple courts listening to the teachers and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding.

Even has a child Jesus did what was right. He learned from God and became wise. He also was obedient to his parents. He showed he was God's Son by the way he lived.

The big question for this week is: How do we grow to be like Jesus? Listen as I read the lesson book and see if you can answer the question afterwards.

Lesson Book: Read the book. Refer to the attached discussion questions.

Title: How can you grow to be like Jesus?

Page 1—Hebrews 2:17-18
(picture of Jesus as a boy
with his parents)
Jesus is completely God,
but was also fully man.
That he would learn and grow like you,
was God's perfect plan.
As a boy he had to study
and from his parents learn.
He had to choose to do what's right
and from temptation turn.

Page 3—Hebrews 12:1b-2
(picture of Jesus working as a boy)
You can grow to be like Jesus
and honor God above.

If you follow what is true
and obey him out of love.

Jesus knows that life is hard.
He was completely man.

He had to learn and grow like you.
It was God's perfect plan.

Page 2—John 6:38
(picture of Jesus as a boy)
Jesus wanted what was right
and on God's word he fed.
So he grew in understanding
and by God's truth was led.
God's statutes in the Bible,
are always, only true.
Jesus followed all of them
in what he would say and do.

Page 4—Hebrews 4:15
(picture of Jesus as a boy talking to people)
In his heart he only wanted that the Father's will be done.
And by clinging to his Father, temptation he would overcome.
People marveled at his knowledge, and all he understood.
He showed them by his actions that his heart was clean and good.

Page 5—Luke 2:46-47
(picture of Jesus as a boy in the temple)
In Jerusalem at the feast,
he was left behind.
His parents were quite worried
when their son they couldn't find.
After three days they did find him,
in the temple there he was.
He was asking questions
and the priests were all abuzz.

Page 6—Luke 2:51-52
(picture of A child with Jesus)
The priests wondered how a boy so much understood,
And how the things he said and did were always true and good.
If you want to grow like Jesus, with your mind you have to learn.
You must give your heart to God, and away from evil turn.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

<u>Page 1:</u> What does it mean that Jesus is completely God but also fully man? Because he is fully man what did he have to learn to do?

Page 2: What enabled Jesus to do what is right?

<u>Page 3:</u> How can you grow to be like Jesus and honor God? Why does Jesus know that life is hard?

<u>Page 4:</u> How did Jesus overcome temptation? What were people amazed at in terms of Jesus? What did Jesus' actions show?

<u>Page 5:</u> Where Jesus' parents leave him? Where did Jesus' parents find him? What does abuzz mean? Why were the priests abuzz?

Page 6: What confused people about Jesus? How can you grow to be like Jesus?

Review: Select a couple questions from above to ask the students again.

- <u>Prayer:</u> Thank Jesus that because he was fully man he understands everything you go through. Pray that you would look to him always and receive his strength to do what is right. Pray that you would want to learn from him and do what pleases God.
- The Big Question: How do we grow to be like Jesus?

We fix our eyes on Jesus.

ACTIVITIES (Completed after the lesson)

Any age appropriate activity can be included which fits into the club time. The activities with a star are included on the weekly sheet.

★ Coloring: Color in the lesson picture.

★ Activity: Drawing

Instruction: Draw a picture of a kind action that would be something Jesus would have done and would please and reflect him.

• Lesson Rhyme: Practice the lesson rhyme with movements.

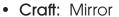
G—G Make sign of "G"

Grow Wiggle hands and move upward With your mind Point to temples with 2 fingers

you learn Move fingers up in spiral

G—G—Grow Same as above Away from evil Thumbs down sign

Turn up into thumbs up sign



As a reminder of how you should want to grow wise like Jesus and reflect him, make a mirror.

<u>Materials:</u> cover stock paper, aluminum foil or reflective mirror paper, scissors, colored pencils, cellophane tape

<u>Preparation:</u> Run off craft 6 on cover stock paper, cut foil to size to cover opening in picture frame.

Instructions: Decorate frame. Cut out opening. Tape foil behind opening.

- Discovery Activity: Role play actions that Jesus would have done as a child.
- Song: Oh Be Careful

Oh, be careful little eyes what you see,

Oh, be careful little eyes what you see,

For the Father up above is looking down with love.

Oh, be careful little eyes what you see.

Other verses

Oh, be careful little ears what you hear

Oh, be careful little mouths what you say

Oh, be careful little hands what you do

Oh, be careful little feet where you go

Oh, be careful little minds what you think

JOURNAL

The journal is included in the class booklet for the students to complete at home. It has six poetic readings and related Bible verses. It would be beneficial for the teacher to read through and be familiar with its content.

