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## Revealing the Messiah #1: Discovering Jesus in Unexpected Places

January 4 & 5, 2025

Luke 2:41-52

### Opener:

Have you ever felt hesitant to bring your questions to God? Why or why not?

### Go Deeper:

1. Where have you experienced God "showing up" in an unexpected place or season of your life?
  2. Why do you think Luke highlights Jesus's wisdom at such a young age? What does it teach us about who Jesus is beyond just a "child prodigy"?
  3. Verse 46 shows Jesus not only answering but also asking questions. How does this challenge your own posture in learning more about God's Word?
  4. What does Jesus's obedience suggest about His character and His mission? How does this scene in Nazareth foreshadow Christ's ultimate obedience on the cross?
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## Live It:

1. Mary "treasured all these things in her heart" (v. 51). Think about a recent moment in your spiritual journey that you want to treasure. Why does remembering and cherishing our encounters with God matter for our faith?
2. What is one question you have been afraid to ask God about your life, struggles, or faith?
3. When you are tempted to feel like you haven't "done enough" spiritually, how can you remind yourself that your salvation rests on Jesus's perfect obedience, not yours?
4. How does your experience of Communion strengthen your faith?



### GOD TIME:

#### Daily Bible Readings (January 5-11)

Sun:	Luke 2:41-52	Boy Jesus in the Temple
Mon:	Genesis 17:9-14	Sign of the Covenant
Tues:	Exodus 13:1-2	Consecration of Firstborn
Wed:	Leviticus 26:3-6	God Will Grant Peace
Thurs:	Leviticus 26:7-13	The Covenant Revealed
Fri:	Malachi 4:4-6	Advice for the Coming of the Lord
Sat:	Isaiah 62:10-12	Build up a Highway

\*The readings selected come from the Narrative Lectionary calendar.

