

YOUNG TWIGS

year 3, week 3

Luke 2

Jesus, One with God, became a human being to teach us about God. He lived a normal life to show us how to live. What can you learn from His example?

Observation: What does it say?

1. *Review:* What is the theme of Luke 1? Write it on the chart on p. 1707.
2. Read Luke 2. Mark key words: *God/pronouns, Jesus/pronouns, salvation, redemption*. Do you have others?
3. Why did Joseph and Mary go to Bethlehem?
4. What did the angels and the shepherds say about Jesus' birth?
5. What did Simeon and Anna say about about Jesus' birth?
6. How is Jesus described in this chapter?
7. Where did Jesus spend His childhood—what city?

Interpretation: What does the author mean?

8. Luke gave some details about exactly who ordered the census and when it was ordered (Lk 2:1–2). Why did he do that?

9. What “rules” did Mary and Joseph follow in Lk 2:21–24? Why did they do each of these things? (The cross references in the the margin will help you.)

10. Study Lk 2:41–52. Was Jesus disobedient to His parents? Why or why not?

Application: therefore, what shall I do?

11. Of the four ways in which Jesus grew (in wisdom, in stature, in favor with God, in favor with man), which one needs the most work in your life? Why?

12. Jesus’ parents were anxious about Him when they discovered He was not with the caravan. Do your parents have a story about a time you were “lost?” What did they do? How did they respond? Did Jesus’ parents respond in a normal way? Your parents might not be anxious about you getting lost, but they might have other things they are anxious about when it comes to you. What are those things? Why are they anxious?

13. How can you express your thanks to God this week for “becoming flesh” and providing a way of salvation?