

## At Home with the Father

Luke 2:41-52

Intro: Have you ever been lost without really being lost?  
Have you ever felt truly at home while away from home?

- I. Two visits to the temple – twelve years apart
  - a. Jesus presented as the firstborn son (Exodus 13:2)
  - b. Jesus at twelve for the Passover (Exodus 12:11-14)
  
- II. Two Passover celebrations – twenty-one years apart
  - a. The Lamb at twelve: learning, living, growing
  - b. The Lamb at thirty-three: taking the sins of the world
  
- III. Two questions
  - a. The first recorded words of Jesus
  - b. *Didn't you know...?* Even Mary and Joseph didn't know
  
- IV. Two natures
  - a. Truly God from eternity past
  - b. Wholly human from the moment of conception
  
- V. Two fathers
  - a. "Your father and I have been...searching for you."
  - b. "I had to be in my Father's house"
  
- VI. Two interpretations
  - a. In my Father's house
  - b. About my Father's business
  
- VII. Two visits to the world
  - a. "He sent his one and only Son into the world" 1 Jn. 4:9
  - b. "This same Jesus...will come back..." Acts 1:11

Close: Jesus' true home is with his Father in heaven. He sojourned here for a time so that we, too, can be with the Father in heaven.