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Chapter 2:41-52 In My Father's House



<sup>41</sup> Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Passover festival. <sup>42</sup> When Jesus was twelve years old, they attended the festival as usual. <sup>43</sup> After the celebration was over, they started home to Nazareth, but Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents didn't miss him at first,

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<sup>44</sup> because they assumed he was among the other travelers. But when he didn't show up that evening, they started looking for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup> When they couldn't find him, they went back to Jerusalem to search for him there.



<sup>46</sup> Three days later they finally discovered him in the Temple, sitting among the religious teachers, listening to them and asking questions. <sup>47</sup> All who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.

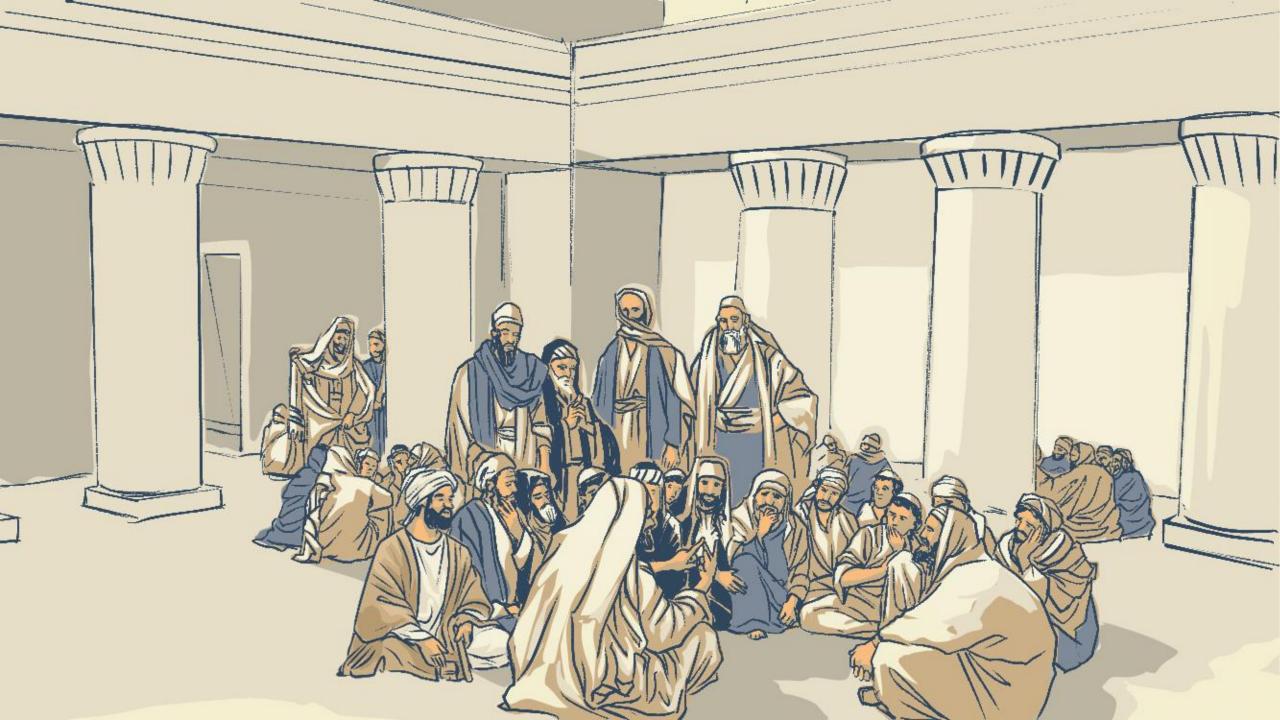
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<sup>48</sup> His parents didn't know what to think. "Son," his mother said to him, "why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been frantic, searching for you everywhere." 49 "But why did you need to search?" he asked. "Didn't you know that I must be in my Father's house?"

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<sup>50</sup> But they didn't understand what he meant. <sup>51</sup> Then he returned to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. And his mother stored all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup> Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and all the people.





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