Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus
Unit 1, Lesson 1

Jesus and His Father’s House

Lesson Aim: To inspire children to model Jesus’ childhood.

1. Jesus grew in WISDOM. How can we grow in wisdom? How can coming to church help us grow wiser? (Teachers and friends help us learn about God.)
2. Jesus grew in STATURE which means taller. What helps you grow taller? (Healthy food, rest, exercise.)
3. Jesus grew in FAVOR WITH GOD. That means He pleased God. In what ways do you think God was pleased with Jesus as a growing boy? In what ways do you think God is pleased with you?
4. Jesus grew in FAVOR WITH MEN. What does that mean? (Pleasing others.) In what ways do you think Jesus’ family, friends and teachers were pleased with Him? Discuss how Jesus might have honored and served others as a child. In what ways do you honor and serve others?

How can you be more like Jesus as you grow older? Where do you go to be in your heavenly Father’s house? (Name local places of worship for the church.)

CHRIST CONNECTION: Reveal Psalm 27:4. Jesus wanted to be in His Father’s house, just as King David did one thousand years earlier. Let’s find out what King David said about the temple which was the house of the Lord. Read Psalm 27:4. What is your favorite thing about being in your heavenly Father’s house?

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord’s Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:
- TREASURE TREAT: Healthy snack (box of raisins, fruit slices, etc.)
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus with His teachers in the temple
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Grow Up Healthy
GAME: Guess Who’s Growing?
CRAFT: Carpenter’s Carvings
DISCUSSION: Family Trips
BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: The Wave, Find the Verse Race
BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7
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Meet & Greet: What do you want to be when you grow up?

Game: Grow Up Tag

Welcome

Worship

Jesus as the King Who is With Us

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 122:1.
Sing songs and worship God.
Bless and collect the offering.
Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

Word

Jesus Grows Up

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.
Review: God led the Magi to see baby Jesus in Bethlehem.

Today, we’ll hear how young Jesus went to the temple. Point to the holy family’s journey from Egypt to Nazareth on a map.
Jesus grew up in Nazareth. When He was twelve years old, He took a trip with His parents to celebrate the Passover in Jerusalem. Point to Jerusalem on map.


Way

Growing as Jesus Did

Where did His parents finally find Jesus? (In the temple court.)
What was Jesus doing there? (Sitting and talking with the wise teachers.)
How is that like what we are doing right now?
Jesus grew in four ways: wisdom, stature, in favor with God, and in favor with men.