

# THE GOSPEL

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# OF JESUS CHRIST Born Of The HOLY SPIRIT

## The Child JESUS Grows Up Strong In SPIRIT, Wisdom And Grace.

Luke 2:40 "And the Child grew, and waxed Strong In Spirit, Filled with Wisdom: And the Grace Of GOD Was Upon HIM. (And the Child: paidion = an infant, a childling, or half grown boy. This word is used 51 times in the Bible to show us how important children are to Creator GOD. And Children can understand GOD better than some adults. JESUS Was Constantly Being Prepared By FATHER GOD, And Trained up by His Jewish Family, too. Grew: auxano = enlarge, increase, grow Up. And waxed Strong: krataioo = to be empowered, increase in vigor, be strengthened. In Spirit: the human spirit is mentioned 49 times in the Bible times in the Bible to show us how important Spiritual Growth Is. The HOLY SPIRIT Is mentioned 89 times. Evil spirits are mentioned 47 times. Spirit of God is mentioned 13 times. Spirit of the Lord is mentioned 5 times. MY Spirit mentioned 3 times. Spirit of Truth is mentioned 3 times. Spirit of Christ is mentioned 2 times. JESUS fully understood the spiritual world. Throughout the Bible Spirit in some form is mentioned 385 times. So the Bible is a Book to teach the Spirit of Mankind. pneuma, pronounced pnayoo'-mah = the rational and immortal Soul. Now, psyche, pronounced psayoo-khay' = breath, spirit. And Zoe = vitality, Life, Eternal Life. Filled: pleroo, pronounced play-ro'-o = furnish, complete, perfect. with Wisdom: Sophia, pronounced sof-ee'-ah, Higher Spiritual Wisdom. And the Grace: charis, pronounced khar'-ece = graciousness in manner and actions because of the Divine influence upon the heart, and it's reflections in the life. Grace is mentioned 139 times. of GOD: theos = here is the Supreme

Divinity. was upon Him. God is mentioned 1,320 times in the Bible. And the Spirit, the Wisdom and Grace of GOD was all increasing upon the SON Of GOD.

2:41 "Now His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of Passover. (from Nazareth up to Jerusalem was about 70 miles, and they would be there 8 days. So, every year, Jerusalem got to see JESUS, At Passover, from the Age of 12 onwards. Not knowing HE Was The Lamb Of GOD. And HE Would be Slain at the time of a future Passover, to cover their sins).

2:42-43 "And when HE was 12 years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the Custom of the Feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child JESUS tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and His mother did not know of it. (in Exodus 23:17 it says, "Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD." Devout Women could also go with the Males, to present them there at the Temple, as "a son of the law". At 12 His education and instruction would now include Public Worship, Fasting, and learning a Trade. His step-dad Joseph was a Carpenter, and would teach Him. But HE tarried behind: hypomeno, pronounced hoop-om-en'-o = to stay under, remain, have fortitude, persevere. JESUS was so moved by GOD HIS FATHER, At HIS HOUSE, The Temple in Jerusalem).

2:44 "But they (Joseph & Mary), supposing Him to have been in the

company, went a day's Journey; and they sought Him among their Kinsfolk and Acquaintance. (the Jews would travel in large groups of family and friends, for comfort and protection during their Roman Occupation to get to Jerusalem for The LORD's Passover. See Leviticus 23:5-6).

2:45-47 "And when they did not find Him, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking Him. And after 3 days they found Him in the Temple, Sitting In The Middle Of The Doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard HIM were Astonished At His Understanding And Answers. (The Son of GOD The FATHER, was already in His place. HE Is 'The Word of GOD, and had perfect understanding of all GOD Ever Said, So HE sat in the middle of the Doctors: didaskalos = master Teachers of the Law, Instructors. JESUS was Hearing their instructions and asking them questions. And the people were listening to the Answers JESUS was giving to the Doctors, and All Were Astonished At HIS Understanding: synesis, pronounced soon'-es-is = a mental putting together, intelligence, intellect, knowledge Of HIS Answers).

2:48 "And when they saw HIM, they were Amazed: and His mother said unto Him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? Behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. (Amazed: ekplesso, pronounced ek-place'-so = to strike with Astonishment. Son: teknon, pronounced tek'-non = child produced, child of mine. (Joseph is silent, he has known since before JESUS birth, that JESUS is not a child of his. And seeing JESUS in the Temple Teaching the Doctors of the Law probably did not shock him. But being separated, from JESUS grieved them). Page 1

Luke 2:49 "And HE Said unto them, How is it that you sought Me? Did you not know that I Must Be About My FATHER's Business? (See John 5:17 "My FATHER works even now, and I work. And see John 9:4 "I Must Work The Works Of HIM That Sent ME, For The Night Comes, When No Man Can Work. (JESUS Understood the Importance of the Work FATHER God had sent Him to the Earth to do, and HE Knew the World really needed Him, now).

2:50 "And they did not understand what HE was saying to them. (Understand: syniemi = to put together mentally, to comprehend, consider. (when Parents are upset with you they are not always interested in what you have to say).

2:51 "And HE went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but His mother kept all these sayings in her heart. (Jerusalem and the Temple were on the high hills of Israel. So they went back down to Nazareth where JESUS continued to be an Obedient and faithful Son, in the Trade of Joseph, the Carpenter. Though Mary did not always understand JESUS Sayings, she kept the things HE Said).

2:52 "And JESUS Increased In Wisdom And Stature, And In Favor With GOD And Man. (As JESUS Listened To FATHER GOD HE Advanced More And More In Divine Wisdom And Maturity; And GOD's Grace. And People Loved Him).

Matthew 3:1-2 "In those days came John the Baptist, Preaching in the Wilderness of Judaea, and Saying Repent Ye: For The Kingdom Of Heaven Is At Hand. (Preaching: kerysso, kay-roos'-so = to Herald as a Public Crier the Divine Truth. Repent Ye: metaneo = to think differently, reconsider, feel Moral Compunction, Sorrow for past offences against The Holy Creator GOD, Because His Kingdom was at hand. The Christ was about to appear).

3:3 "For this is he that was spoken of by the Prophet Isaiah, Saying, 'The Voice Of One Crying In The Wilderness, Prepare Ye The Way Of The Lord, Make HIS Paths Straight'. (Lord: kyrios, koo'-ree-os = The Supreme In Authority. Master.

Lord is mentioned 667 times in the Bible. Six for Mankind, Six for Son of Man, and Seven for SON OF GOD).

3:4 "And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leather girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey. (Because John lived in the Wilderness, he lived a very disciplined life and ate what was available there).

3:5-6 "Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region around about Jordan, And Were Baptized Of him in Jordan, Confessing Their Sins. (Sin is all the Offences against the Holy Creator GOD, and against human beings. John's Voice was heard all over Judaea, even in the Capital City of Jerusalem who went out to hear him Preach Repentance, and to be Baptized in the River Jordan, caring all their sins to the Dead Sea).

Mark 1:2-3 "As it is Written in the Prophets, 'Behold, I Send MY Messenger before Thy face, which shall prepare Thy way before Thee. The Voice of one crying in the Wilderness, 'Prepare ye the way of The Lord, make HIS Paths Straight.

(While JESUS was growing up, John was Preparing the way before HIM. Religion had become so twisted away from the True GOD, that John had to Call Everyone to Repentance and to Water Baptism For Purification).

1:4 "John did Baptize in the Wilderness, and Preach The Baptism Of Repentance For The Remission Of Sins. (John the Baptist is mentioned 92 times in the Bible. Baptize: baptize, baptid'-zo = to make fully wet, ceremonial ablution, Christian Baptism. Baptize is mentioned 76 times in the Bible. This shows the Importance of Christian Baptism, after Repentance.

Remission of Sins: aphasis, af'-es-is = Freedom from Sins, Pardon from Sins, Deliverance from Sins, Forgiveness of Sins, Liberty from Sins.

1:5 "There went out to him all the Land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all Baptized of him in the River Jordan, Confessing their Sins. (John seems to be Preparing all Israel for JESUS Appearance. Their Christ was about to be Presented. And they were willing to Repent, Confess their Sins, and be Water Baptized). (read also Mark 1:6).

In closing today I want to bring to light the importance of not depriving our children of the knowledge of God. The World will try to convince Christian Parents and Grand Parents that the kids are too young to understand Spiritual things. So the Devil hopes your kids will Not learn about God, so by the time they are in High School or College the knowledge of Fleshly things Dominate their Minds. But let's learn from the Life of the Child JESUS, and from other Children mentioned in the Bible that Understood the Scriptures better than Adults.

Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he shall not depart from it. (Train Up: hanak, khaw-nak' = to narrow, dedicate, initiate, discipline, train. God knew that the natural mind of Parents would think that Training Up their child would seem like Narrowing them in. But God's Ways are higher than man's ways; Spiritual Wisdom Is Higher Than Natural thinking.

2nd Timothy 3:15 "And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee Wise unto Salvation Through Faith which is in Christ JESUS. (read 3:16).

Now I leave You with a few Scriptures to look up and read for Yourself: Ecclesiastes 12:1. Psalm 16:11. Isaiah 54:13-14. Matthew 18:1-6, 10-11. Matt 19:13-15. Psalm 24:1-10. Matt 21:1-11. Finally read Psalm 14:2-3 For Christian Parents Who Do Not Train Up Their Sons and Daughters... page 2