



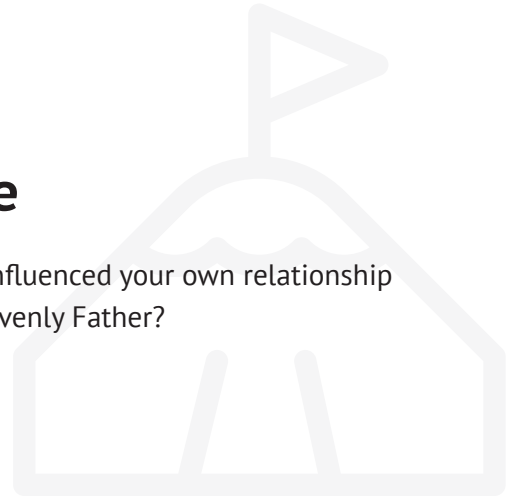
SUMMARY | It's mind-boggling to know that God became a human, lived and walked on our planet, and died on a cross for our waywardness. But perhaps the most stunning element of God's humanity is that He was actually conceived and then born as a child. A baby. A boy. A teen. A young man. Think about that. Jesus was a child Himself. What can we learn about Jesus as a child from Scripture? And how might this reality impact our lives today?

This Week's Discussion Questions

1. Read Luke 1:31, 39–45. Imagine Jesus in Mary's womb; and then read Psalm 139:13–16. What do you learn about God's ability to truly have known us in our mothers' wombs?
2. Read Luke 2:1–39 and Matthew 2:7–12 and observe everything we're told about when Jesus was a baby. What do you see? Now read Luke 18:15–17 and consider what Jesus personally knew about babies as He welcomed them to Himself.
3. How was Jesus a "typical" boy and how was He not? See Luke 2:39–40; Isaiah 11:2.
4. Jesus was a teenager! Perhaps surprising, but He moved through adolescence just as we all do. Read Luke 2:41–51 and consider what made Jesus unique as a teen. Now read John 14:30 and 17:25–26. How did Jesus's relationship with His heavenly Father affect His teen years?
5. Jesus continued growing up as a child as we're told in Luke 2:52. What impacts you from this sentence?

Challenge

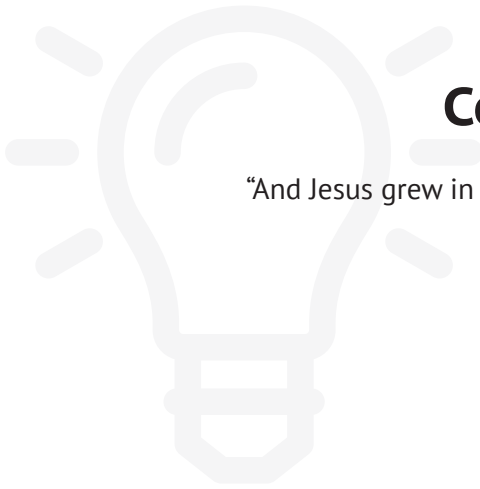
How has considering that God was once a child influenced your own relationship as a child of God with your heavenly Father?



Commit To Memory

“And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.”

Luke 2:52 NIV



Prayer

Dear heavenly Father, thank You for sending Jesus as a baby, a boy, a teen, and a young man. Thank You for experiencing all that we experience. What a faithful God You are!

Amen.

