

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: O Praise The Name

CHILDREN'S TALK

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you
And against our fellow men,
In thought and word and deed,
In the evil we have done
And in the good we have not done,
Through ignorance, through weakness,
Through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Who died for us,
Forgive us all that is past;
And grant that we may serve you
In newness of life
To the glory of your name. Amen.

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NOTICES (Children leave for Sunday School and Crèche)

RESPONSES: Philippians 2:5-11

SONG: Here I Am to Worship

READING: Luke 2:40-52 (pg. 858)

SERMON

PRAYERS

SONG: Lord, You Were Rich

COMMUNION

SONG: And Can It Be

BLESSING

NOTICES

Upcoming Services

From next week (9th January) services will be held both at 10:30am in the King William Building, Greenwich and at 4pm at Eltham College Chapel.

Prayer Gathering

Grace Groups start again on Wednesday 5th January with a prayer gathering at 8pm (7:30pm for food) in the King William building, Greenwich.

Bitesize Theology

On Wednesday 12th January, we will kick off a new Bitesize Theology series with a session on The Sovereign Creator. This will happen before Grace Groups, starting at 7:15pm in the King William Building, Greenwich.

Book discussion

Join us at 8pm on the 17th January in the Spanish Galleon, 48 Greenwich Church Street, SE10 9BL, as we discuss our book of the term, "Men and Women in the Church" by Kevin DeYoung.

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Next Sunday, 9th January: Genesis 16



Welcome!

Sunday 2nd January 2022

"(Christ Jesus), though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men."

Philippians 2:6-7 (ESVUK)

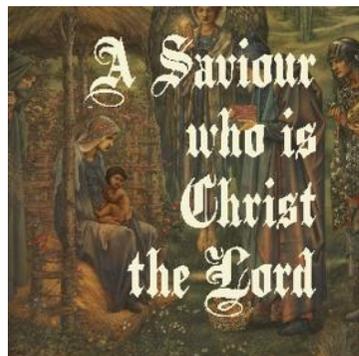
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Luke 2:40-52



⁴⁰ And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favour of God was upon him.

⁴¹ Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. ⁴² And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. ⁴³ And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the

boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, ⁴⁴ but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, ⁴⁵ and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." ⁴⁹ And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰ And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. ⁵¹ And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

⁵² And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favour with God and man.

1. Jesus is the Son of God

-the *royal* son

-the *divine* son

2. Jesus acts in humility

| Jesus | Samuel |
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| His parents go to Jerusalem every year. (<i>Luke 2:41</i>) | His parents go to Shiloh every year. (<i>1 Samuel 1:3, 21</i>) |
| He's called 'the boy Jesus'. (<i>Luke 2:43</i>) | He's called 'the boy Samuel'. (<i>1 Samuel 2:21, 26</i>) |
| He spends time in the temple. (<i>Luke 2:46</i>) | He spends time in the temple. (<i>1 Samuel 3:3</i>) |
| He grows in stature and favour with God and man. (<i>Luke 2:40, 52</i>) | He grows in stature and favour with God and man. (<i>1 Samuel 2:21, 26; 3:19</i>) |

COFFEE QUESTIONS:

How does seeing *who Jesus is* cause you to treasure him?

How does seeing *how Jesus acts* cause you to treasure him?