

Worship Service January 10, 2021 Pastor-Teacher Chris Regas

Don't Be Afraid

Lesson Six • Luke 2:39-52 Jesus Grew and So Can You!

What Was Jesus Doing the First 30 Years of His Life? Luke 2:39, 52 He was <u>GROWING</u>!

Don't Be Afraid! Jesus grew and so can YOU!

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1. The MEANING of His Growth.

► The mystery of the *incarnation* in Jesus' **MATURATION**.

► The mystery of the *Trinity* in Jesus' **DECLARATION**.

"Why is it that you were looking for Me? Did you not know that I had to be in **My Father's** house?" Luke 2:49

Jesus became like us, so we could become LIKE HIM.

2. The MEASURE of His Growth.

► Jesus kept on growing in <u>GODLINESS</u> and <u>WISDOM</u>. Luke 2:40, 52; 1:80

> **Am I Growing in Godliness?** *Living with God as the center of my life.*

Am I Growing in Wisdom? Seeing life from God's perspective and living accordingly.

Jesus' incarnation was for our TRANSFORMATION.

3. The MEANS of His Growth.

The means of growth is always God's **GRACE**! Luke 2:40

3 Ordinary Means of Grace

- ➤ The **WORD** of God in the Bible.
- ► The **SPIRIT** of God in prayer and praise
- ➤ The **<u>PEOPLE</u>** of God in gathered worship.

4. The MISSION of His Growth.

• Growing up is always a means to a **<u>GREATER</u>** end.

And He said to them, "Why is it that you were looking for Me? Did you not know that I had to be **in My Father's house?**" Luke 2:49 NAS Did you not know that I must be **about My Father's business?**" NKJV

We grow up to go out and <u>DO</u> the Father's will.

Jesus Grew and So Can You by His Grace!

Jesus grew up so He could deliver us from our sin and enable us by His grace to grow up to be like Him and do the will of our Father!

Benediction

"Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence." 2Peter 1:2–3