

Getting Started

What subject just fascinates you? What could you just read about it, or listen to it, or do it for hours on end? What makes it so fascinating to you?

Do you find Jesus that interesting? Do you spend a similar amount of time with him?

Into the Bible

Read Hebrews 4:15. Think about Jesus as a boy. What would be like as a parent or as a sibling to have a sinless child in the house? Would he ever get in trouble? What difference would there be between his crying and the crying of a regular child?

Consider Luke 2:41-52. How was it possible that in that moment Jesus was not sinning?

When Jesus says he has to be in his father’s house (or better, about his father’s business), what do you think he means? Do you think he’s claiming God as his Father from eternity, that is, that he knows his God? Or do you think he’s calling God his father in the same way that you would? Why did you choose your answer?

In verse 51, what do you suppose it means that Jesus grew in wisdom? that he grew in favor with God?

Read the story in Mark 9:17-29. What do you think Jesus means when he says, “This come can come out only by prayer”?

Do you think that included Jesus, too?

Read Luke 22:39-44. What do you think is going through Jesus’ mind at that moment? What argues for Jesus knowing who is? What argues against it?

Digging Deeper

What difference does it make if Jesus knew he was God or not?

How is the idea that Jesus knew he was God encouraging for you?

How is the idea that Jesus did *not* know he was God but operated on faith encouraging for you?