

Our Father's House! (Luke 2:41-52)

Introduction: I was lost at the train station when I was a child

I. MARY & JOSEPH LOST 12-YEAR-OLD JESUS

- A. Mary & Joseph followed God's direction and took very good care of Jesus
- B. But they lost him after the Feast of the Passover
- C. They were worried

II. JESUS WAS FOUND IN THE TEMPLE

- A. Jesus was sitting among the teachers, listening to them and ask them questions
- B. Mary blamed Jesus: "Why have you treated us so?"
- C. Jesus replied "Did you not know that I must be **in my Father's house**?"

III. THE FATHER'S HOUSE IS OUR SAFE PLACE, TOO

- A. Worry, fear and anger are part of our human nature since we are all sinful
- B. Jesus the Son of God came to us as a human being, and fulfilled all God's commands
- C. Jesus established the safe place for us

IV. GOD LEADS US INTO HIS HOUSE

- A. Pray to God for help (Philippians 4:6-7)
- B. Let God's Word rule in our home
- C. Forgive each other since we are forgiven by the blood of Jesus

- Pastor Harold's story of "800 Pacos"

Conclusion: In the Father's house, under the care of Christ, we are safe