

Jesus Grew in Wisdom, Age, and Grace

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 2, Session 9**.

The Jewish place of assembly for prayer, instruction, and study of the Torah is the synagogue. **PAGE 72**

When Mary and Joseph found Jesus in the Temple among rabbis, he was listening and asking questions. All were amazed at his understanding of the Jewish faith. **PAGE 72**

The four Cardinal Virtues are prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. Jesus learned and practiced these virtues because they lead a person to live in relationship with God and with others. **PAGE 72**

The story of Jesus in the Temple reveals an awakening that the Father is calling him to a special mission. Jesus is beginning to know and understand his special relationship with God, his Father. **PAGE 73**

As a boy growing up in Nazareth, people knew Jesus as a carpenter. He was raised in a Jewish family and learned the Scripture, the commandments, hard work, respect, and obedience. **PAGE 74**

The domestic church is the Christian home, where children first learn to pray and live as Christians. We recognize God's presence, follow Jesus' example, grow in faith, serve others, and receive God's grace in our families. **PAGE 74**

Jesus is present whenever we gather in his name. Other people, whether related by blood or law, are our family, and with one another, we abide in love. **PAGE 75**

Saint John Bosco is the founder of the Salesians, a ministry that takes care of poor and forgotten youth. Today the Salesians are found in over 100 nations and represent the third-largest order in the Catholic Church. **PAGE 74**

Jesus said that whoever does the will of God is his "brother and sister and mother." (Mark 3:35) Jesus changes our minds about how we define family. **PAGE 75**

The family is the first place we learn tolerance, respect, patience, acceptance, forgiveness, and love. We learn values and service to others. **PAGE 75**

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