

HOME STUDY LEAFLET.

LESSON 5.

JULY 29th 1894.

3rd QUARTER.

The Youth of Jesus. Luke 2: 40-52.

GOLDEN TEXT: "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." Luke 2: 52.

COMMIT TO MEMORY verses 46-49. **CHILDREN'S HYMNAL**, 33, 232, 215, 207.

PROVE THAT—Children should obey their parents. Eph. 6: 1.

SHORTER CATECHISM—Quest. 86. What is faith in Jesus Christ?

DAILY PORTIONS.

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MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURDAY.	SABBATH.
Luke 2: 40-52	Deut. 16: 1-8	Matt. 13: 53-58	Col. 3: 12-20	Prov. 4: 1-9	Prov. 2: 1-9	Prov. 3: 1-6

To the Teacher—Do not credit any Scholar with having prepared the lesson who does not at least try to answer the questions. Take the leaflet home and assign a value to each answer, announcing the result on the following Sabbath. Take, or send, the Leaflet to absent scholars.

Always bring your Bible and Shorter Catechism to the Sabbath School.

HELPS IN STUDYING.

INTRODUCTORY.—The incident of our lesson marks Christ's coming of legal age and his entrance upon Jewish citizenship. With his first passover he assumed the duties of a full member of the Jewish church. Of the preceding years since the return to Nazareth we know nothing. Nor have we any information of the next eighteen. This is the solitary notice of the life of our Lord between the return from Egypt and his baptism at the age of thirty. It was a memorable crisis in his religious life and the story should be full of instruction to those especially who have passed the age of twelve and have not yet taken their places at the Christian Passover, the Lord's Supper.

LESSON PLAN. I. Jesus at the Feast. vs. 40-45. II. Jesus in the Temple. vs. 46-50. III. Jesus at Nazareth. vs. 51-52.

I. JESUS AT THE FEAST. 40. The child grew—The R. V. omits "in spirit." "The child grew, and became strong, becoming filled with wisdom." He developed in body, mind and soul like any other child. He enjoyed his sports and learnt his lessons; always tried to do what was right and was goodnatured and obliging. God was well pleased with him and everybody liked him. Try every day to do what you think Jesus would have done in your place. **41. His parents**—of course Joseph was not his father, but he would take an earthly father's care of him. The law did not require Mary to go to Jerusalem, but she loved God's house and his worship. (Ex. 23: 14-17). **Feast**—rather "festival." What did this commemorate? (Ex. 12). **42. Twelve years old**—At this age a Jewish boy was called "a son of the law," and was required to go up to the passover. When he returned home he had to learn a trade, for he was now considered as grown up. There was now no danger in his going to Jerusalem, for Archelaus had been dethroned and the circumstances connected with his childhood were forgotten. Simeon and Anna were probably dead. **After the custom of the feast**—i. e. since the feast required their attendance at Jerusalem. **43. Fulfilled the days**—How many days did the feast last? (Ex. 12: 15). **The child Jesus**—R. V. "the boy." Up to this point he has been called "a little boy." **Tarried behind**—He was so interested in the services and the discussions that he did not notice that the others had started for home. His parent thought that