## Merry Christmas, 2020

(Christmas Night message: preached 12/20 - 12/26/2020)

## A simple Bible reading, with commentary, from Luke 2:40-52:

- 40 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.
- 41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.
- 42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.
- 43 And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it.
- 44 But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance.
- 45 And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.
- 46 And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.
- 47 And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.
- 48 And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.

49 And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?

50 And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.

51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.

52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

(Luke 2:40-52)

## **OUTLINE:**

This was a simple reading with commentary: there is no outline.

## **WORSHIP:**

This was a quiet reading conducted alone: there was no public worship.