A Move by Move and Event by Event Account of The Life of Christ

(Arranged chronologically)

#	The move of Jesus	Place	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
03	With the Doctors 坐在教師中間	Nazareth 拿撒勤 & Jerusalem 耶路撒冷	2:19-23		2:39-52	
	Returns from Egypt – With the Doctors in the Temple					

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SCRIPTURE LISTING

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And there shall	Behold, the days	In those days, and	Hear now, O Joshua	And speak unto
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come forth a rod	come, saith the	at that time, will I	the high priest,	him, saying, Thus
out of the stem of	LORD, that I will	cause the Branch of	thou, and thy	speaketh the LORD
Jesse, and a Branch	raise unto David a	<i>righteousness</i> to	fellows that sit	of hosts, saying,
shall grow out of his	righteous Branch,	grow up unto	before thee: for	Behold the man
roots:	and a King shall	David; and he shall	they are men	whose name is The
從耶西的本	reign and prosper,	execute judgment	wondered at: for,	BRANCH; and he
(原文是墩)	and shall execute	and righteousness	behold, I will bring	shall grow up out of
必發一條;從	judgment and	in the land.	forth my servant	his place, and he
他根生的枝子必結果實。	justice in the earth.	當那日子,那	the BRANCH .	shall build the
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	子將到,我要	大衛公義的苗	啊,你和坐在	LORD:
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	In his days Judah shall	dwell safely: and		並要建造耶和 華的殿。
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	whereby he shall be	our righteousness.		
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CONNECTION

The long and hazardous危險的 journey of at least two weeks duration over the trackless沒有足跡的 desert of Shur書珥 back to Nazareth, is enough to tax the energies of the strongest man. This, together with the travelers' inability to secure food and water, constitutes構成 a feature unexplainable unless the Holy Family was aided by divine providence, in order to escape the sword of the unprincipled無恥的 and blood-thirsty king. Joseph was not willing even to pass through Judea since Archelaus亞基老, whom he feared, reigned in his father's stead, so moving around the east shore of the Dead Sea, this circuitous繞行的route added many miles to their return trip to Nazareth.

We know little of the childhood of Jesus, for the writers of the gospels were satisfied to consider the man as they knew Him, and to tell only a partial story of the three years of His active ministry.

DISCUSSION

Only one episode—個事件 lifts the veil from the life of Jesus between the return from Egypt to settle in Nazareth, and the beginning of His ministry in Galilee. All that we know of the life of the Master from His birth until He was approximately thirty years of age can be condensed into a single instance: namely, the account of His visit to Jerusalem for the Passover when He was twelve years old. In this simple story we have at least a hint of things to come, for even then Jesus seems to have been aware of His unique mission. His reply to anxious parents who found Him in the temple, "Know ye not that I must be about My Father's business?" (Lk. 2:49) gives evidence of the mental and spiritual direction in which He was moving, and which one day was to flower in the Sermon on the Mount.

Luke	And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my		
2:49	Father's business? (wit: to know or become aware of something)		
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No doubt the mingling of Jesus with groups at religious services, with great care and ability upon the part of His parents, influenced Him in securing得到a deeper understanding of Truth than any of His age, and surely already He had experienced some inward expression of the Spirit which led Him to the deep knowledge of His unique relationship to God, which is definitely portrayed in His visit with the doctors in the temple.

If we seek to reconstruct the "hidden years" of Jesus' life by searching the records of the times and trying to understand the environment in which He lived, we discover three things that were part and parcel of the education of every Jewish child. In the first place, a Jewish child's education began in his home. His parents were his first teachers. Paul observes that Timothy's faith was an inheritance from his grandmother, Lois, and his mother, Eunice, (2 Tim. 1:5) and that from his infancy he had known the sacred literature. (2 Tim. 3:15) Certainly, Joseph and Mary would have been no less zealous than other parents. Possibly Joseph had acquired a copy of the Jewish law which he would have taught carefully to Jesus. He would have been impressed as other Jewish parents were by the command in Deu.6:6-9: "These words which I command thee this day shall be upon thine heart; and thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children and shalt talk of them

when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up."

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2 Timothy	When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy			
1:5	grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.			
	想到你心裡無偽之信,這信是先在你外祖母羅以和你母親友尼基心裡			
	的,我深信也在你的心裡。			

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2 Timothy	And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise			
3:15	unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.			
	並且知道你是從小明白聖經,這聖經能使你因信基督耶穌,有得救的智慧.			

"these words, which I command thee..."

Deuteronomy 6:6-9

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也要殷勤教訓你的兒女。無論你坐在家裡,行在路上,躺下,起來,都要談論。

⁸And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. 也要繫在手上為記號,戴在額上為經文;

⁹And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

又要寫在你房屋的門框上,並你的城門上。

When Jesus was six or seven years old, He probably was sent to the elementary school which, because the source of instruction was the Book of the Law, was called "The House of the Book." It was attached to the synagogue. There, no doubt, Jesus made His mark, for it is observed that "Jesus increased in wisdom." (Lk. 2002)

2:52) <u>Note</u>: "make one's mark": to do something that allows one to receive appropriate recognition

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Again, like all Jewish children of His times, Jesus was <u>taught to worship</u>. Like the churches in small communities the synagogue in Jesus' day was the center of the community. There Jesus was introduced to the heritage of His people, but beyond that there must have been something unique in His own worship experience.

Obviously, He must have lived close to nature, for again and again in His parables He finds God in "the lilies of the field," (Mt. 6:28) "the birds of the air" (Mt. 8:20; Lk. 9:58; Mt.13:32) and the sheep in the pastures. The power He found in the Garden of Gethsemane in hours of need must have been tapped as He wandered in the woods and the hills about Nazareth during the "hidden years."

"the lilies of the field"

Matthew	And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil		
6:28	not, neither do they spin:		
	何必為衣裳憂慮呢?你想野地裡的百合花怎麼長起來;他也不勞苦,也		
	不紡線。		

"the birds of the air"

[Move #24] Quells the Storm		[Move #23] Parables By the Sea
Matthew 8:20	Luke 9:58	Matthew 13:32
And Jesus saith unto him, The	And Jesus said unto him, Foxes	Which indeed is the least of all
foxes have holes, and the birds of	have holes, and birds of the air	seeds: but when it is grown, it is
the air have nests; but the Son of	have nests; but the Son of man	the greatest among herbs, and
man hath not where to lay his	hath not where to lay his head.	becometh a tree, so that the birds
head.	耶 穌 說 : 狐 狸 有 洞 , 天 空	of the air come and lodge in the
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的飛鳥有窩,人子卻沒有	有枕頭的地方。	這原是百種裡最小的,等
枕頭的地方。		到長起來,卻比各樣的菜
		都大,且成了樹,天上的
		飛鳥來宿在他的枝上。

Study, work and worship, these three, were at the heart of the training of Jesus in His early years. Of that much we may be sure. In stray零海的 hints the gospels help us to know but little more of the story of these years. Joseph, as father of Jesus, must have been a remarkable man. "Father" is a name Jesus used so often in speaking of His heavenly Father. For Him it must have been steeped浸透 in happy reflections, and the symbol of loving care and rich fellowship. In the parable of the Prodigal Son or in the lesson of the father who can not resist a child's pleading, we have pictures that could have been painted only by One who knew from experience the spirit which His imagination turned into living portraits. Childhood is beautiful to Jesus, and it could not be beautiful to one who had found his early days unhappy and untouched by love and thoughtfulness. In his own home He learned the value and meaning of human affection and the abiding strength of love.

MEDITATION

God's will is always done, despite all wicked planning to the contrary. Guided by Heaven, a poor man like Joseph could protect Jesus and Mary from King Herod's evil design. The Herods die, but Christ lives eternally.

The Bible reveals how very human Joseph and Mary were when, the Boy Jesus being "lost," they looked everywhere but in the right place: His Father's House!

Even Joseph and Mary were amazed that the Boy in their home should so powerfully impress the learned religious teachers in the great Temple -- and still today people are strangely surprised when they discover that Christ has wiser and holier truth to reveal than earth's most learned scholars.

In the very bosom of the Holy Family Jesus Christ's deity神性 was early made evident; in His youth His superior knowledge, and His sacred mission, proved that He was the Son of God.

"Subject unto them" (v. 51) — God subject to, obeying, two humble village folk. Is this a picture of the Administrator of the Universe? Yes. Sin had enthroned the will of man; Jesus came that that cruel, tyrannous & & & will might be dethroned. He did it first by completely subduing man's will, first to His parents in private life, then to His Father in heaven in public ministry. Only thus could the will be brought low—by subordination & Thomas a' Kempis said "It is better to do the will of another than your own." There is so much of self, pride, stubbornness in our wills that to become like the meek Lamb of God we must yield our wills to Him. Finally, by dying, offering His yielded life upon the cross, Jesus restored our wills. Now we manifest His life by serving Him with submissive will.

Luke	And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his		
2:51	mother kept all these sayings in her heart.		
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FROM THE GREEK: "Subject" is literally "to place oneself <u>under</u>." We do not like to be <u>under</u> but <u>over</u>: that is the work of the self-life. But <u>under</u> our will must come, if Jesus is to rule.

STUDY

When the Holy Family in Egypt were informed of the death of Herod, they returned to Nazareth. Their route must have led them around the east shore of the Dead Sea because they feared Archelaus, the new ruler of Judea. But why were they "afraid," since their experience at Nazareth, Bethlehem, and Egypt must have convinced them of divine protection? Does God protect people by somehow enabling them to protect themselves through natural means? Do you think that Jesus would have been destroyed if the parents had returned either to Bethlehem or Jerusalem to stay? How do you picture His life or activities in Nazareth when in pursuit of His education? From the knowledge you have of Jesus' life, would you say He had received some scholastic training? Do you think He had had training in healing the sick, or was it a part of the program He came to carry out? He became "Son of the Commandment" at twelve, as all other Jewish boys. John the Baptist was also twelve that year. Do you suppose they met in Jerusalem at this time? How do you account for the fact that the parents became separated from the boy? Do you think they really had any reason to become worried? Do you suppose they did not believe either God or the boy? Do you suppose it was a frequent occurrence for a child to force himself into the presence of a dignified group like these lawyers and begin to discuss these deeper matters with them? Do you think the parents would have chastised the boy if they had believed He was God? How do you explain verses 41 and 48 where both the writer and Mary called Joseph His father? Is there anything to hinder any boy's growth in "wisdom," "size" and "favor with God and man"? Did our Heavenly Father help Jesus to do and be what He would not help any other boy to do or be? In your opinion, is there anything (in reality) to prevent a boy, some boy, any boy from accomplishing exactly what Jesus did? If so, what is it? Do you suppose Jesus was aware at this time of just what was ahead of Him, what His problems would be, and how He would meet them? Do you think it suddenly dawned on Jesus what He was here for, or did He gradually grow into this understanding? Do you think Jesus laughed and played and romped a 蹦 和 like other boys?

Luke 2:41	Luke 2:48
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Thoughts to Ponder

(Selected Quotes from the Lesson)

- "...securing a <u>deeper understanding of Truth</u>..." (page 6)
- "For something like eighteen years after the episode in the temple, Jesus, toiled with hammer and saw. These were silent years but obviously they were not lost years." (page 7)
- "Probably while His hands toiled with wood on the carpenter's bench, His mind traveled across the ages to embrace領會 the visions of the prophets, and His spirit lifted often to the hills." (page 7)
- "The power He found in the Garden of Gethsemane in hours of need must have been tapped eak and sensed as He wandered in the woods and the hills about Nazareth <u>during the 'hidden years.'</u>" (page 8)
- "In his own home He learned the value and meaning of human affection and the abiding strength of love." (page 8)
- "God's will is <u>always</u> done, despite all wicked planning to the contrary. Guided by Heaven, a poor man like Joseph could protect Jesus and Mary from King Herod's evil design. <u>The Herods die, but Christ lives eternally</u>." (page 8)
- "Sin had enthroned the will of man; Jesus came that that cruel, tyrannous暴虐的will might be dethroned. He did it first by completely subduing man's will, first to His parents in private life, then to His Father in heaven in public ministry. Only thus could the will be brought low—by subordination服從. Thomas a' Kempis said "It is better to do the will of another than your own." There is so much of self, pride, stubbornness in our wills that to become like the meek Lamb of God we must yield our wills to Him. Finally, by dying, offering His yielded life upon the cross, Jesus restored our wills. Now we manifest His life by serving Him with submissive will." (page 9)
- "'Subject' is literally 'to place oneself <u>under</u>.' We do not like to be <u>under</u> but <u>over</u>: that is the work of the self-life. But <u>under</u> our will must come, if Jesus is to rule." (page 9)

REVIEW

Questions	Answers
1. What is the distance from Bethlehem to the Nile?	150 miles
2. How do you suppose they survived a trip of that distance through a desert?	They were aided by divine providence
3. Why did they not return to Judea, since Herod was dead?	They heard that Archelaus reighed in his father's stead
4. Who was Archelaus?	(Archelaus is said to have been even worse than his father. He was deposed and exiled 6 A. D., when Jesus was about ten.)
5. To what place then did they return?	Nazareth
6. Where did Jesus go at the age of twelve?	Jerusalem
7. What feast was being celebrated there?	Passover
8. What near calamity happened to the parents as they were leaving the feast?	They can not find boy Jesus
9. How long were they looking for the lost boy?	3 days
10. Where did they find Him?	In the Temple
11. What was He doing?	Hearing and asking questions
12. What did the doctors think about Him?	Astonished at his understanding and answers
13. What did the parents say to Him?	"Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? Behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing."
14. What was His reply?	"How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?"
15. Do you think all this was the fault of the boy or the parents? Who seems to have taken it the more seriously?	The parents took it more seriously
16. How did it all impress the mother?	She kept all these sayings in her heart.
17. What is said of Jesus' immediate future in Nazareth?	Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.
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