



Message Outline
*A Doctor's Diagnosis of Jesus:
 Pediatrics*

Luke 2:21-52

Intro: Dr. Luke's data moves from OB/GYN stories of Jesus' beginnings into Pediatrics...

v.21—Circumcision as sign in OT of raising a child in the faith (Gen.17).

v.22-24—Two parents trying to live out faithfully what they find in God's Word...

- Mary and Joseph of meager means...God choosing not because of finances but faith!

v.25—How do people describe you?

v.26-33—Normal baby experience? NO!!!

- Simeon more excited about Jesus' birth than even Mary and Joseph ☺

v.34-35—This baby's legacy isn't all cute...

v.36-38—Anna's endurance of hard knocks...ran to God rather than from God!

v.39-40—Summary statements...growth physically, mentally, and spiritually.

v.41—Another tradition around faith...

v.42-44—Parental mistakes happen...retrace steps when necessary!

- Parental boundaries...

v.45-46—The posture of this 12-year-old...

v.47-49—"my Father's house..."

v.50-52—Summary statement includes social growth...



The Pediatric Prescription: A Place of Worship

- Dr. Luke space for 2 pediatric stories and both around events at the Temple.
- First 4 of the Ten Commandments deal directly with worship.
- The challenge of this pediatric pursuit (Rom.12:1-2)...

1) I _____ by Others (v.25-38)

- A setting to be impacted by others faith.

2) I _____ of God's Story (v.41)

- Finding our part in God's greater plot...



Small Group

Reflection Questions



(Please take time to ponder and pencil in to prep for this week's small group session.)

Read: Acts 13-14

**What do you observe about the early church in Acts?*

**What spoke to you this past Sunday (ie. what made you laugh, learn, look deeper at life etc.)?*

**Talk about a time when you were lost or separated from a parent or a child?*

**Why do you think God chose to place you in the "type of family" He put you in? In what ways does your "family type" affect others? In what ways did Jesus' "family type" impact His beginnings (hint: read Galatians 4:4-5)?*

**Simeon was described in Lk.2:25. What words would other people use to describe you? How would God describe you?*

**Anna ran toward God rather than away from God in the wake of widowhood (Lk.2:36-38). Can you name some circumstances in life that have driven you toward God?*

**Can you share a story when a child or young person showed great wisdom?*