



JESUS WHO OBEYED THE COMMANDMENTS



Jesus is the son of God who became man to give us salvation. Jesus, was born in Bethlehem and grew in Nazareth. He lived in a small house in Nazareth with His mother Mary and his foster-father Joseph.

Jesus, the Jewish boy, obeyed God's commands in all things.

Jesus helped Joseph in his work as a carpenter. He also assisted his mother in her works. He was obedient to His parents.

On Sabbath day, He went to the Synagogue according to the Jewish law and participated in the prayers and studies. Every year, He went to the temple and took part in their festal celebrations.

Thus he grew up. His parents and everybody else were pleased with Him.

St. Luke, the evangelist records of Jesus thus:
“And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in
divine and human favor” (Luke 2:52).

1. Jesus grew in wisdom.
2. Jesus grew in age.
3. Jesus grew in favour with God.
4. Jesus grew in favour with men.

Like Jesus, we too have to grow in wisdom, age and in favour
with God and men. It is made possible when we obey
these commandments.

Jesus, who was born a Jew observed not only God's
commandments but also the special rules of Jewish society.
Similarly we, who have become the members of the Catholic
Church through baptism, have to obey the laws of the Church
along with God's commandments. The Church gives five
commandments. When we obey them we grow as children of
God and members of the Church.

Five precepts of the Church

1. You shall attend Holy Mass on Sundays and days of obligation.
2. You shall confess your sins at least once a year and receive holy
Communion during the Easter season.
3. You shall keep fast and abstinence on the days fixed by the church.
4. You shall not celebrate marriage in forbidden seasons and with
forbidden people.
5. You shall contribute to the support of the Church and Pastors
according to the norms fixed by the authorities of the Church.

Obligatory feast days

Christmas (Dec 25), Denaha (Jan 6), St. Peter & Paul (June 29), Dhukrana of St. Thomas (July 3), Ascension of Jesus, The assumption of our Bl. Mother (Aug 15).

Days of abstinence from meat

Day of Vibhoothi (First day of the great lent) and all Fridays in the year except the Fridays between Christmas and Denaha and the Friday after Easter.

Fasting days

Day of Vibhoothi & Good Friday.

Let us find out the answers

1. To whom was Jesus obedient?
2. Where did Jesus grow up?
3. What are the commandments we should obey?
4. Which are the feast days of obligation?

Let us pray

Jesus who obeyed your parents, give me the blessing to grow in wisdom, age and in favour with God and men.



Let us sing

Let us grow in wisdom, in stature,
And with God and people in favour.

Learn by heart

The precepts of the Church.



My favourite Bible sentence

Write in proper order:

Write the following things in the proper order in which it happened:

Jesus came to Nazareth and lived in obedience to His parents.	
At the age of twelve he went to celebrate the feast.	
His parents saw Jesus and were surprised	
In the temple Jesus asked questions.	
Jesus was found in the temple.	

Let us write

Things that boy Jesus did	Things that we do
1. He helped his parents.	
2. He went to the Synagogue and prayed.	
3. He went to the temple and participated in feast celebrations.	
4. He listened to the religious scholars.	

My decision

Like Jesus who obeyed the laws,
I will obey the laws of the Church