

Searching for the Son

Luke 2:41–52 (page 858)

Embarrassing: We've lost the Messiah!

1. ***Jesus is God's Son, so he must be in God's house***

Searching as if he's Joseph's Son:

- *First: relatives and acquaintances (v44)*
- *Second: everywhere in Jerusalem (v45)*
- *Finally: the temple (v46)*

Mary: "I have been searching ... in great distress." (2:48)

Jesus was not intentionally causing distress. "I must be ..." (v49)

*Relational Responsibility affects our Priorities "...in **my Father's house**" (v49)*

- This is a relationship that overrides other priorities - which is good news, because his priorities match his Heavenly Father's (i.e. our salvation).
- Like Father, like Son - he can instruct us about God

Where will you find Jesus today?

"In the Father's house" — God's place today (Heb 3:6):

The church should be the most natural place for people to find Jesus.

Let the reality that Jesus is here forever drive the practices and priorities of Berwick Anglican Church.