



Jesus Grows in Wisdom

Luke 2:41-52

When Jesus was 12 years old, His family went to a town called Jerusalem. They were going to the temple to worship God. A temple is like a church where we are today.

Let me see you pretend to walk, like Jesus and His family did to the temple. (Everyone will pretend to walk)



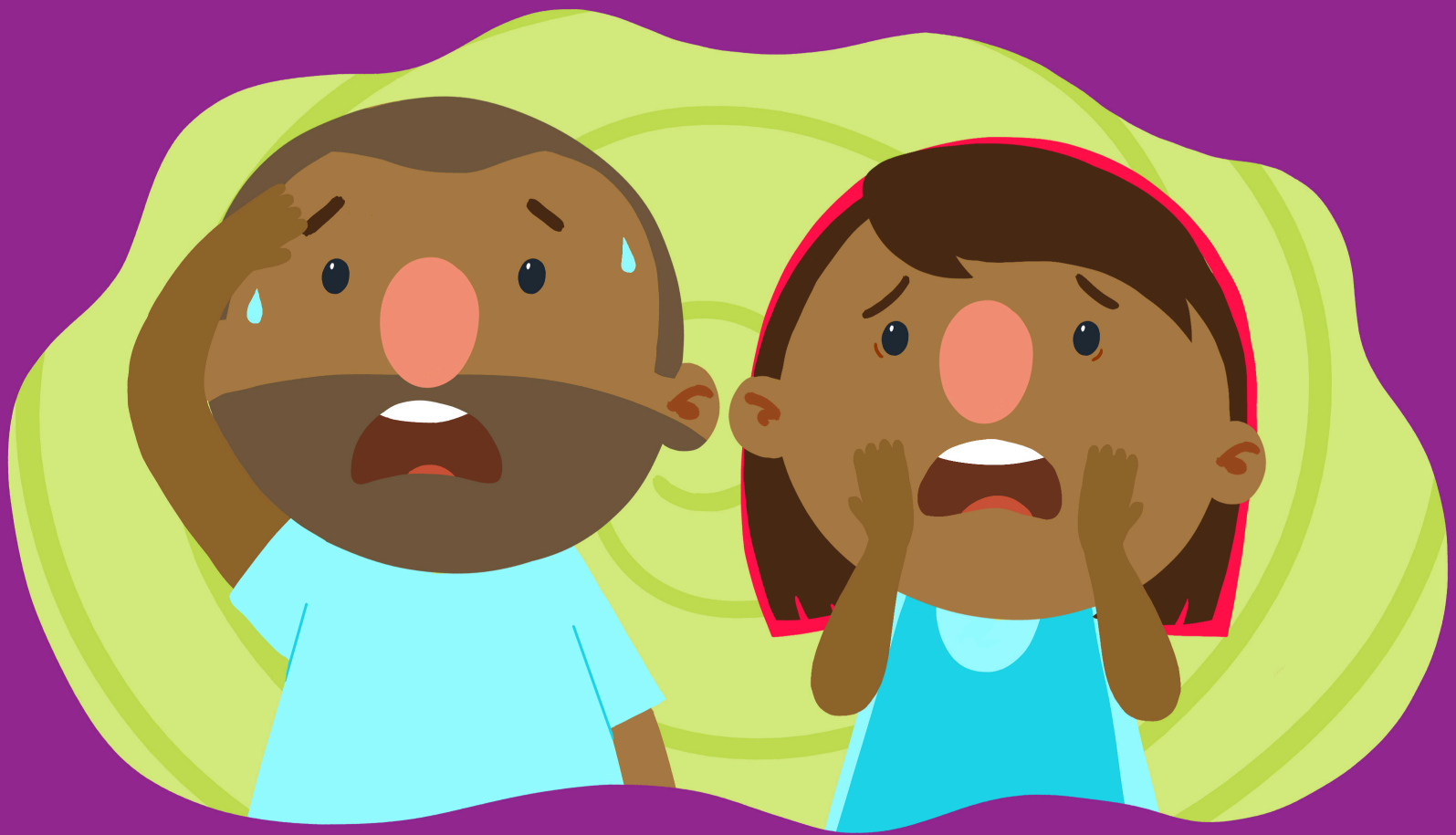
When they got to the temple, they prayed and sang songs with all of their friends.

When you come to church, do you pray and sing songs with your friends?
(Yes)

That's right!



Soon, it was time to start walking back home. There were a lot of people, and everyone was busy walking and talking. All of a sudden, Jesus' mom and dad realized that Jesus wasn't with them!



Let me hear you say, “Oh, no!” (Everyone will say, “Oh, no!”)

Jesus was missing!

Mary and Joseph quickly went back to Jerusalem. When they got to the town, they spent three (SHOW three fingers) days looking for Jesus! Finally, they went back to the temple.



(Point the picture)

They found Jesus! He was in the temple talking to the church leaders. Jesus loved being at the temple, learning and talking about God.

You and I can be like Jesus by going to church and having fun with our friends as we learn about God. We can also be like Jesus by doing what He did, like loving others and sharing what we have.

Let me hear you say this after me: (Pause to allow kids to repeat)

I Can Be (thumbs to chest)

Like Jesus (both hands point up)