



Talk It Over Guide: Week 4

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into NEXT MOVES. These talking points, questions, and Scriptures are designed to help you make those moves. If you are leading a group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out the questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group.

- What skill or ability do you have (athletic, musical, artistic, cooking, woodworking, gardening, etc.)?
- How does your skill level compare to when you first began?

Luke 2:39-42

- Based on these verses, how would you describe the home in which Jesus grew up?
- What evidence do you see that Jesus' maturity was a process, a work in progress?

Luke 2:45-47

- Who in these verses contributed to Jesus' growing spiritual maturity?
- What evidences of Jesus' growing spiritual maturity do you find in the passage?
- Do you see any surprises or ironies in this account?

Luke 2:49-52

- What evidence of Jesus' spiritual maturity do you find in this passage?
- How much do you think Jesus understood at this point about who He was and what His purpose was?
- What at significance, do you see in Jesus' response that He "had to be in My Father's house"?

NEXT MOVES:

Here are some specific things you can do this week to help you apply the principles of this message.

- Growing into a more dynamic relationship with Jesus Christ is a process. What can you do to complement the process?
- Whom can you help grow? Set an appointment this week with them.
- In what area would you need to focus your growth over the next year?

TALK IT OVER WITH GOD:

Father, in our microwave culture we want everything to happen instantaneously. Help me realize that growing in my relationship with you is an ongoing process largely sparked by my investing in others what I have learned myself. Empower me to invest in the growth process.