

The Prototype, Luke 2:40–52

4. The Prototype: Doctrinal Deposit, Messianic Cache

a. Doctrinal Deposit

The mission of the Incarnation included the very important task of demonstrating the validity of God’s plan for the Church Age believer. This plan requires the believer to utilize a portfolio of divine operating assets under the enabling power of the Holy Spirit to duplicate the behavior patterns of Jesus Christ in the Incarnation.

The Lord’s behavior patterns, decision-making processes, problem-solving devices, and mechanics of spiritual growth were all based on an inventory of ideas accumulated from the Eternal Logos. His duties included the demonstration that divine thought can be metabolized into the human soul, circulated into its stream of consciousness, and stored on the hard disk of the brain by the construction of neural pathways called wheel-tracks of righteousness. Once accomplished, this deposit has transferred the content of divine thought into the soul and brain of the human neurological system.

It is important to remember that divine thought—the Eternal Logos—must be explained, metabolized, circulated and stored in the brain by the enabling power of the Holy Spirit. He ensures that the Eternal Logos is transferred with precise and inerrant accuracy so that there is never a loss of even one synaptic connection in the deposit.

It was the duty of the Holy Spirit to make sure that the content of the Eternal Logos was successfully deposited into the Lord’s soul and brain during his childhood and adolescent years.

Luke 2:40 - And the Child continued to grow and become strong, made full of wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him.

The verb “made full” is the present passive participle of: *pleroo* - “to fill with powers or qualities; to become filled or full.”

present: Customary; used to denote that which habitually occurs or may be reasonably expected to occur. This indicates that the Christ Child habitually facilitated wheel-tracks of righteousness under the ministry of the Holy Spirit to the point of wisdom.

passive: Jesus received the action of this growth process under the teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit. There were several sources of doctrinal information available to him:

- a. From His parents;
- b. from the written Logos; and
- c. by asking questions in the Temple.

participle: Circumstantial; indicates positive volition to the Eternal Logos revealed to Him under grace. The verse continues to reveal the content of that teaching: wisdom, the locative of sphere from the noun: *sofia*.

sophia - wisdom; the content of a facilitated neural network which provided our Lord with the power to resolve all issues by making application of the Eternal Logos resident in His soul and brain. His knowledge allowed Him to discuss technical theological matters with the leading theologians of Israel and call into question their doctrinal positions:

Luke 2:46 - Mary and Joseph found Jesus in the Temple sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions.

His questions were not designed to contribute to His spiritual growth but to clarify contradictions between these men's understanding of the Eternal Logos and His. The word "*listening*" is the present active participle of the verb: *akouo* – "*to hear, listen, learn, understand.*"

We translate this verb "*listening*" instead of "*learning*" or "*understanding*" because it is in the genitive case. When the verb *akouo* is in the accusative case it means "*to hear with understanding.*" However, when the verb *akouo* is in the genitive case it means that the information is heard but without understanding of what is said.

We already know from Luke 2:40 that Jesus has advanced to spiritual maturity and His neural network is facilitated with doctrinal wisdom.

The verb *akouo* in the genitive tells us that His wisdom was based on a successful deposit of the doctrines of the Eternal Logos into His stream of consciousness and neural network. As a result, the youth Jesus did not understand the contorted theology of His Jewish elders. Consequently, He sought to clarify their doctrinal positions by asking questions.

b. Messianic Cache

Luke 2:52 - And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and men.

c. Conclusion

Through the agency of the Holy Spirit, the Christ Child received the transfer of the Eternal Logos into the cache of His stream of consciousness and neural network by age 12. Doctrinal Deposit; Messianic Cache. (Compare Luke 2:42 with Luke 2:40, Luke 2:46, Luke 2:47, and Luke 2:52)