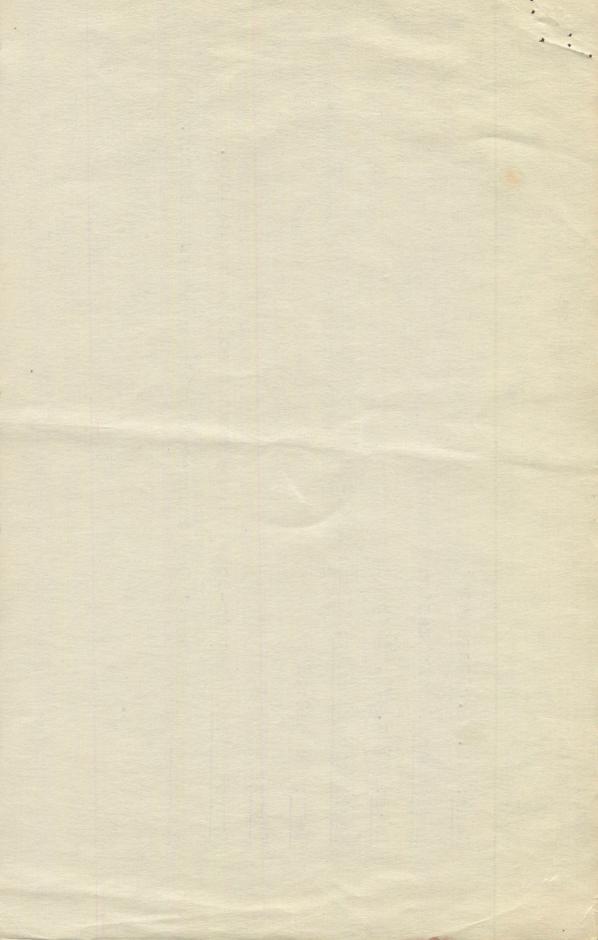
Sermons New Testament Luke 2:41-52 "Mother"	Outline	til.
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Date: Jan. 20, 1943		
Homiletical unity: Luke 2:4	11-52	
Text: Luke 2:51		
Theme: Mother - Love,		
Proposition: Mother-love is	s the most precious human love.	
<u>Audience</u> : A Mothers' Day co	ongregation in an average church	1.

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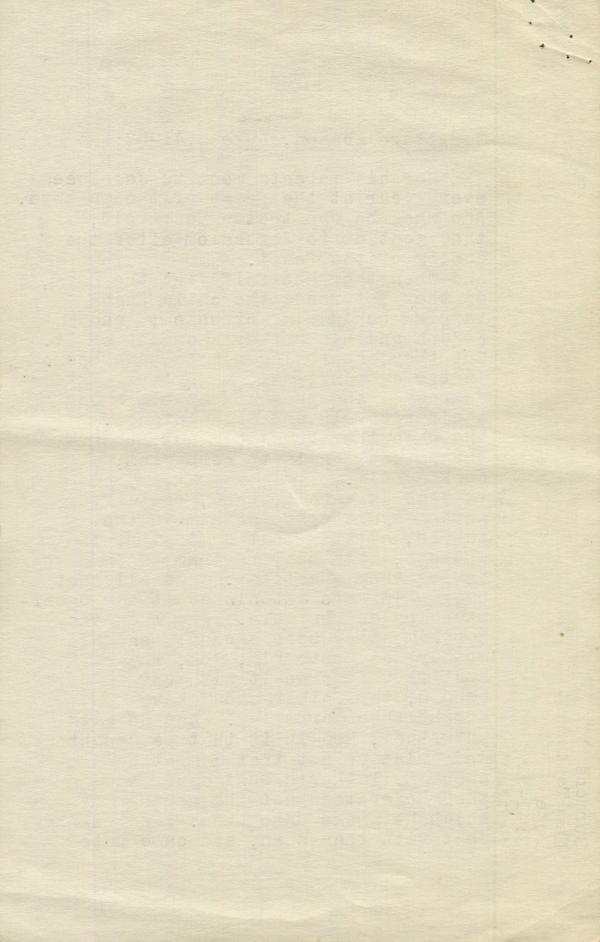
Scripture Lesson, Luke 2:41-52:

"Now his parents went to Jerusadem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old. they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem. seeking him.

"And it came to pass, that after three days they found him. in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought 12 50 me? wist ye not that I must be in about my Father's business? And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them. And he went with them down, and came unto

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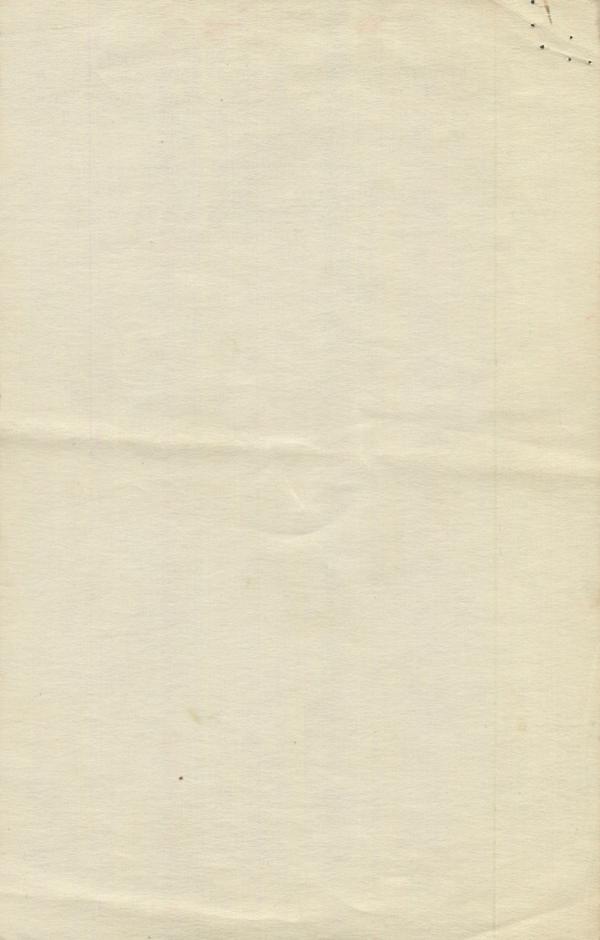
Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man."

Text, Luke 2:51: "--- but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart."

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Introduction:

time to think of our mothers.

a. The beauties of Spring show God's blessings to us.

b. Motherhood one of the gleatest of blessings.

c. In thinking of blessings we must think of mothers.

2. Flowers of Spring particularly emphasize the thought of motherhood.

a. Reproductory process reminds us that mothers brought us into this world.

b. Flowers being most beautiful at the time they are giving life to their own kind symbollic that the human that gives life to its own kind the most beautiful of humanity.

c. Naturally follows that now, in the Spring, is an appropriate time to think about our mothers.

I. God chose that his only son should be reared by an earthly mother. This story brings out the following facts about Mary.

1. Mary was a woman of deep religious beliefs.

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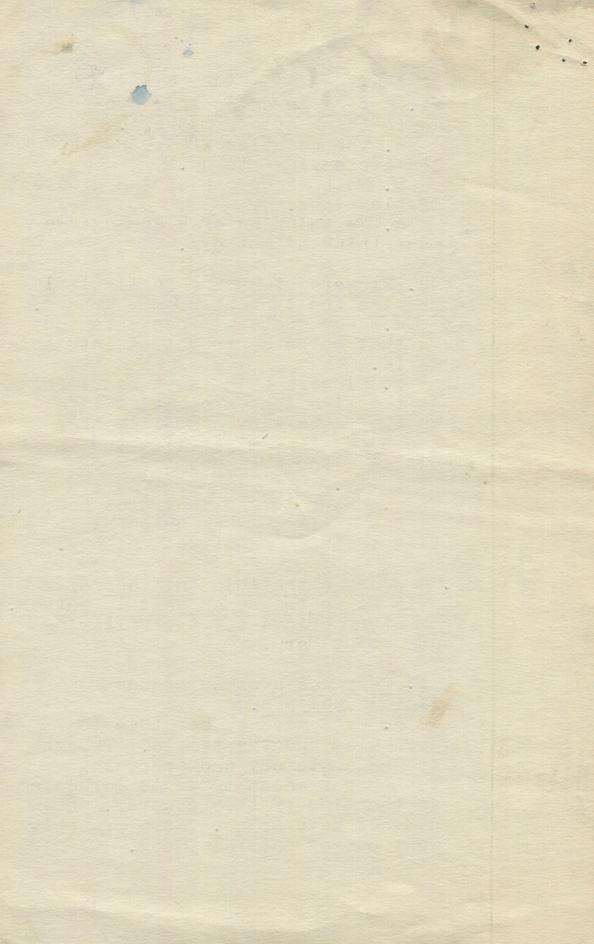
a. Evidenced by her trip to Jerusalem and the temple. Though it was customary and according to Law for males to go to Jerusalem at the time of the Passover, women did not have to go. Mary probably went out of natural piety.

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Jesus grew "in wisdom and) stature, and in favor with God and man."X The mother has most influence on child's growth. The way Jesus developed evidence that Mary was religious.

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2. Mary used the idea of lenienc in child-rearing. This idea, often thought of as modern, used at least 1943 years ago. The idea is to create within the child such ideas and desires that he will not want to do things which are wpong. Evidence that Mary used leniency and yet was as interested in her child as all mothers is:

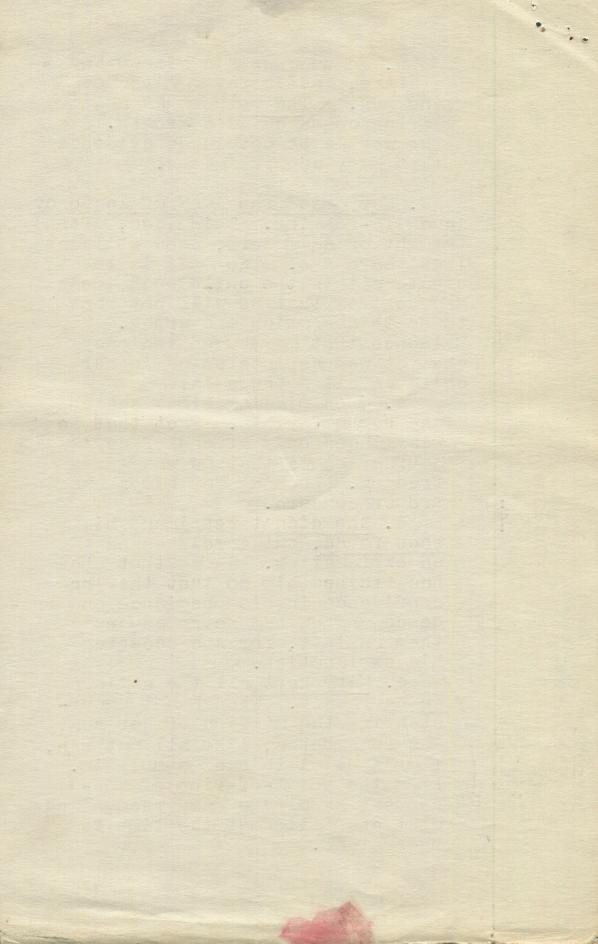
a. Upon missing him a search was begun for him. Fact that he was missed only at end of day 'S journey shows that he was given freedom. Looking for him shows propersconcern.

b. She didn't reprimand him when found, but merely asked an explanation. Shows that she had trained him so that they had confidence in his obedience and prudence and He had never caused them anxiety, for she accepted his explanation.

c. Mary kept all the sayings in her heart. Though not understanding the mission of her son, she remembered, like all mothers, the "special things" about him. From the point-of-view of subsequent knowledge Mary recognized what she failed at the time to understand.

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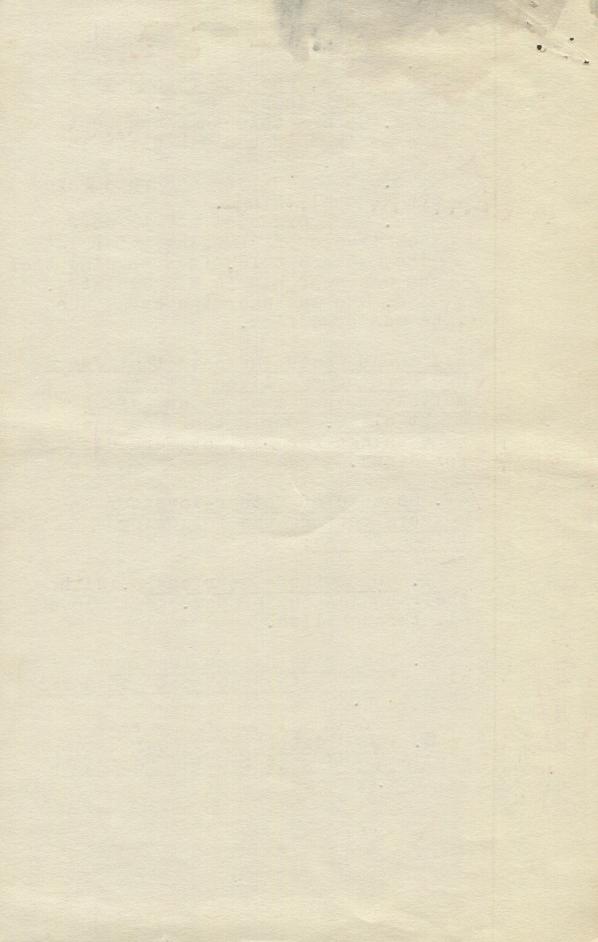
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- 2 della	the sayings around his birth in
a stap	b. In this story she remembered
7 5 , 5 , 9	the unusual things.
4465	ち 🧯 c. She persuaded him to perform
2 10 1	the miracle of changing water into wine, we are told, thus showing that
2 p - 1	she was near him in his ministry.
32.3	d. She was near the cross when
3.3 HID	The was crucified.
6 7 × 1	All these facts indicate that Jesus'
130813	was born of and lived with an
R Jos	earthly mother such as any of us might claim. Our mothers do the
Ridii	same things for us that Mary did
Pitty V	for Jesus.
1 3	H. Because of Mother-love our
V	mothers perform the following
	things for us:
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	their bodies in infancy. With love
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had mother Il under Thise dation with us. Regardless of the offenses of a child, a mother is always ready to forgive. Conclusion: Mother-love is the most precious human gift which we have. It is priceless and cannot be repaid. Illustrations to-the-point are: 1. The young Frenchman and the bleeding heart of his mother. Regardless of the hurt which the son inflicted on her, his mother. was forgiving and loving. The young Frenchman at the request of a courtesan whom he loved cut his mother's heart out and carried it bleeding through the dark streets at night to his beloved. When he stumbled and fell a voice from the heart said, "My son, are you hurt?" 2. In Proverbs we find this Shout mother, Prov. 31:25-29. "Strength and dighty are her clothing; And she laggheth at the time to come. She openeth her mouth to wisdom; And the law of kindness is in her tongue. She looketh well to the ways of her household, And eateth not the bread of idleness:

Her children rise up and call her blessed,

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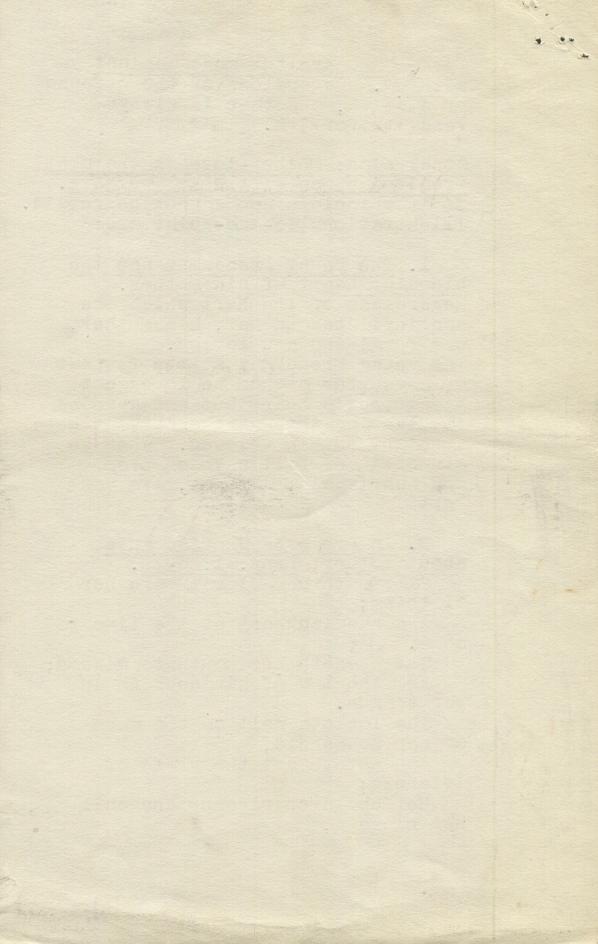
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=7= Her husband, also, and he praiseth her, saying: Many daughters have done virtuously, But thou excelleth them all." 3 Margaret Widdemer's poem expresses for us what we remember and what we hope for Mother: "She always leaned to watch for us, Anxious if we were late. In winter by the window, In summer by the gate; "And though we mocked her tenderly, Who had such foolish care, The long way home would seem more safe Because she waited there. "Her thoughts were all so full of us -She never could forget: And so I think that where she is She must be watching yet. "Waiting till we come home to her. Anxious if we are late -5 Watching from heavens window. Leaning from heaven's gate." 52 1 4 0 3 02 =

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