



# Presentation of the Lord

*Year B*

Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm 84

*or Psalm 24:7-10*

Hebrews 2:14-18

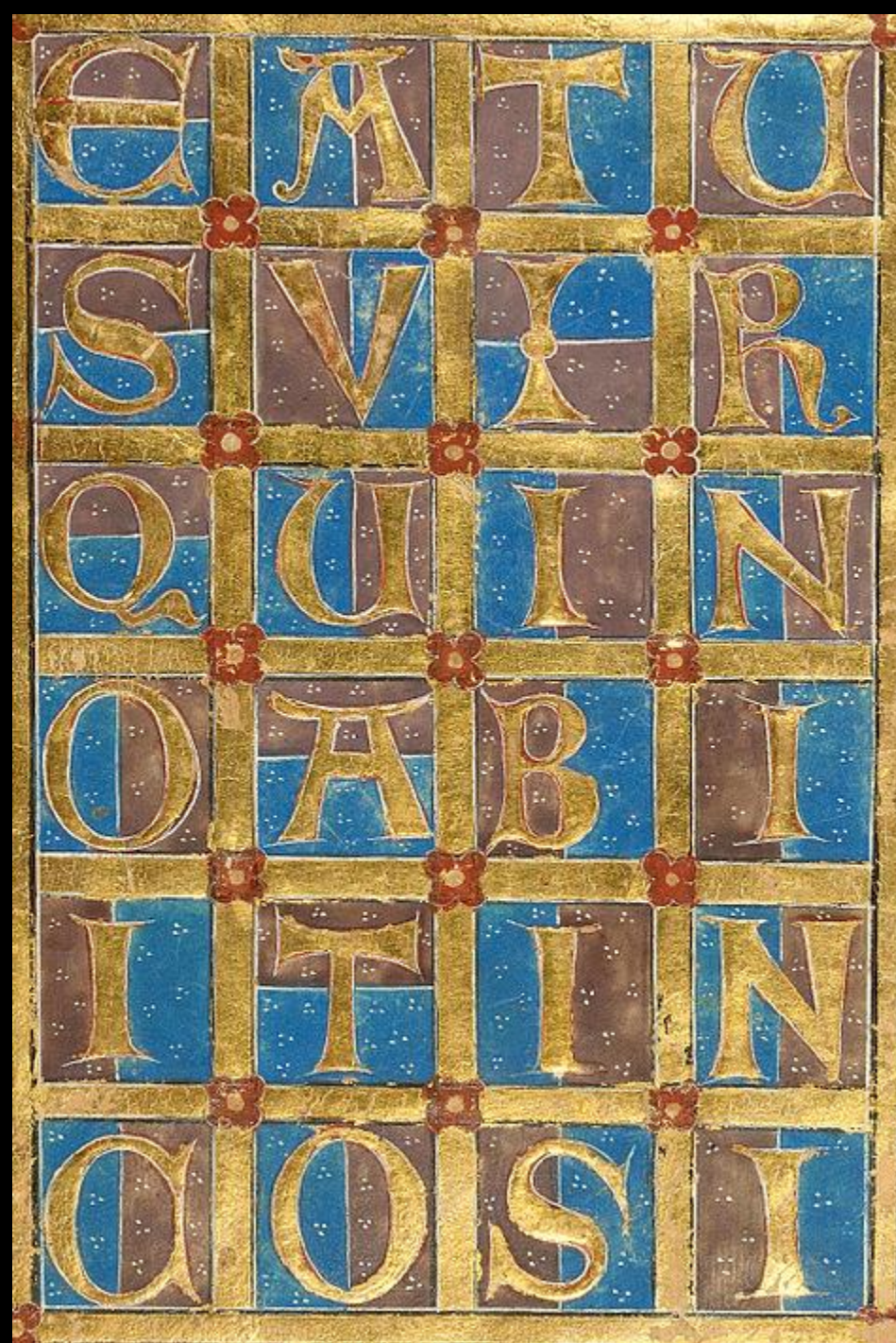
Luke 2:22-40

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...he will purify the descendants of Levi  
and refine them like gold and silver,  
until they present offerings to the  
LORD in righteousness.

Malachi 3:3



Text of Psalm 1

Manuscript leaf,  
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Even the sparrow finds a home, and  
the swallow a nest for herself...

Psalm 84:3a



Hummingbirds with Nest -- Martin Heade, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

...where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

Psalm 84:3b





Blessing of the Birds -- Harry Mileham, St. Mary's Church, Norfolk, England

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be  
lifted up, O ancient doors! that the  
King of glory may come in.

Psalm 24:7





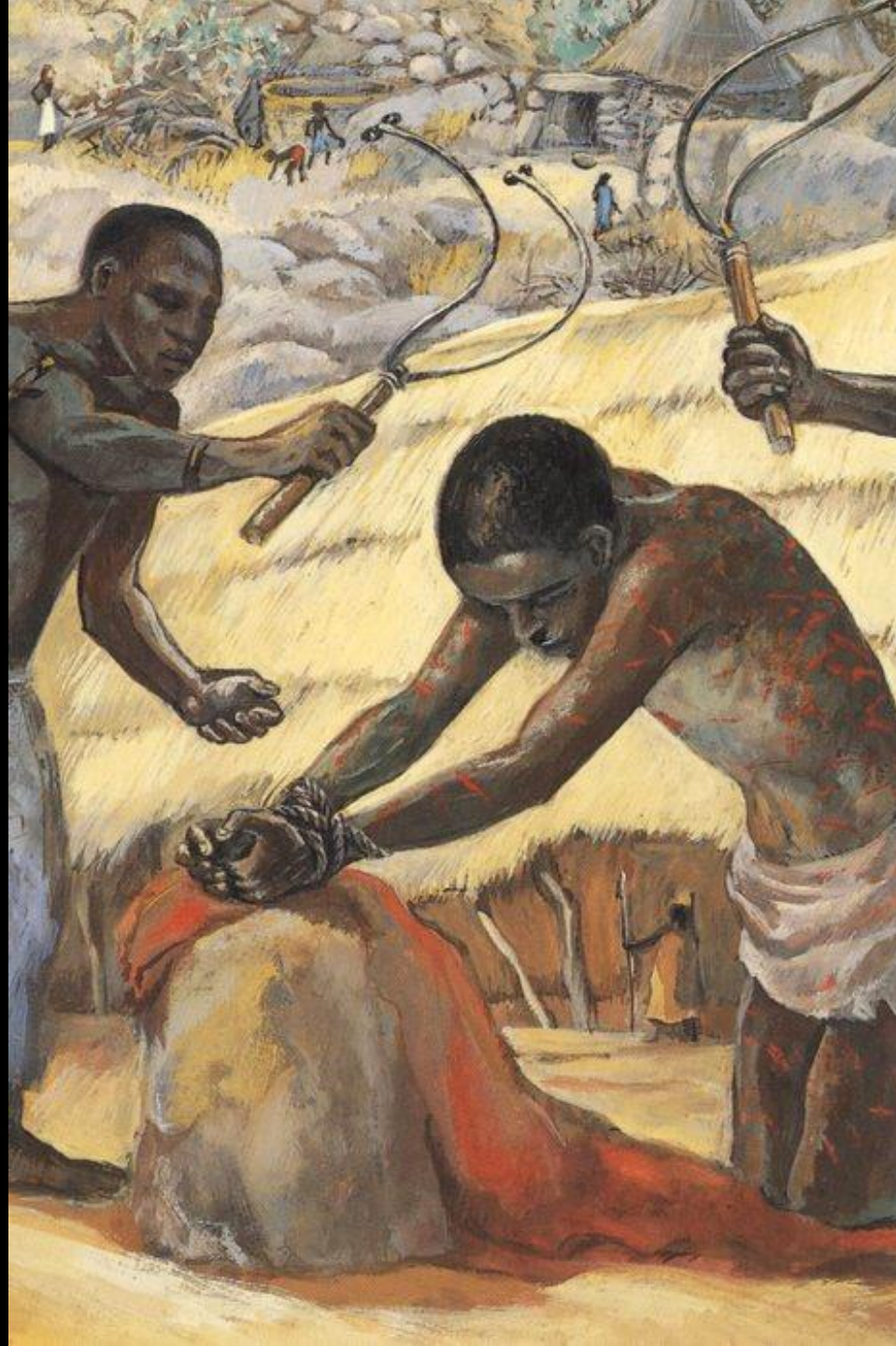
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Ganghwa Anglican Church  
Ganghwa, Korea

Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Hebrews 2:18

The Flagellation  
JESUS MAFA, Cameroon





When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord...

Luke 2:22



Presentation in the Temple -- Ambrogio Lorenzetti, Uffizi, Florence, Italy

and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Luke 2:24



Presentation in  
the Temple

G. Van den  
Eeckhout  
Museum of Fine  
Arts, Budapest,  
Hungary



Simeon took him in his arms and  
praised God, saying, "Master, now you  
are dismissing your servant in peace,  
according to your word;

Luke 2:28-29





Simeon's Song of Praise (Nunc Dimittis) -- Aert de Gelder, Mauritshuis, Hague, Netherlands



for my eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you have prepared in the  
presence of all peoples,

Luke 2:30-31



Presentation in the Temple -- Bernward's Doors, Hildesheim Cathedral, Hildesheim, Germany

...a light for revelation to the Gentiles  
and for glory to your people Israel."

Luke 2:32





Presentation in the Temple -- Abbey of St. Walburga, Virginia Dale, CO

Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed..."

Luke 2:34





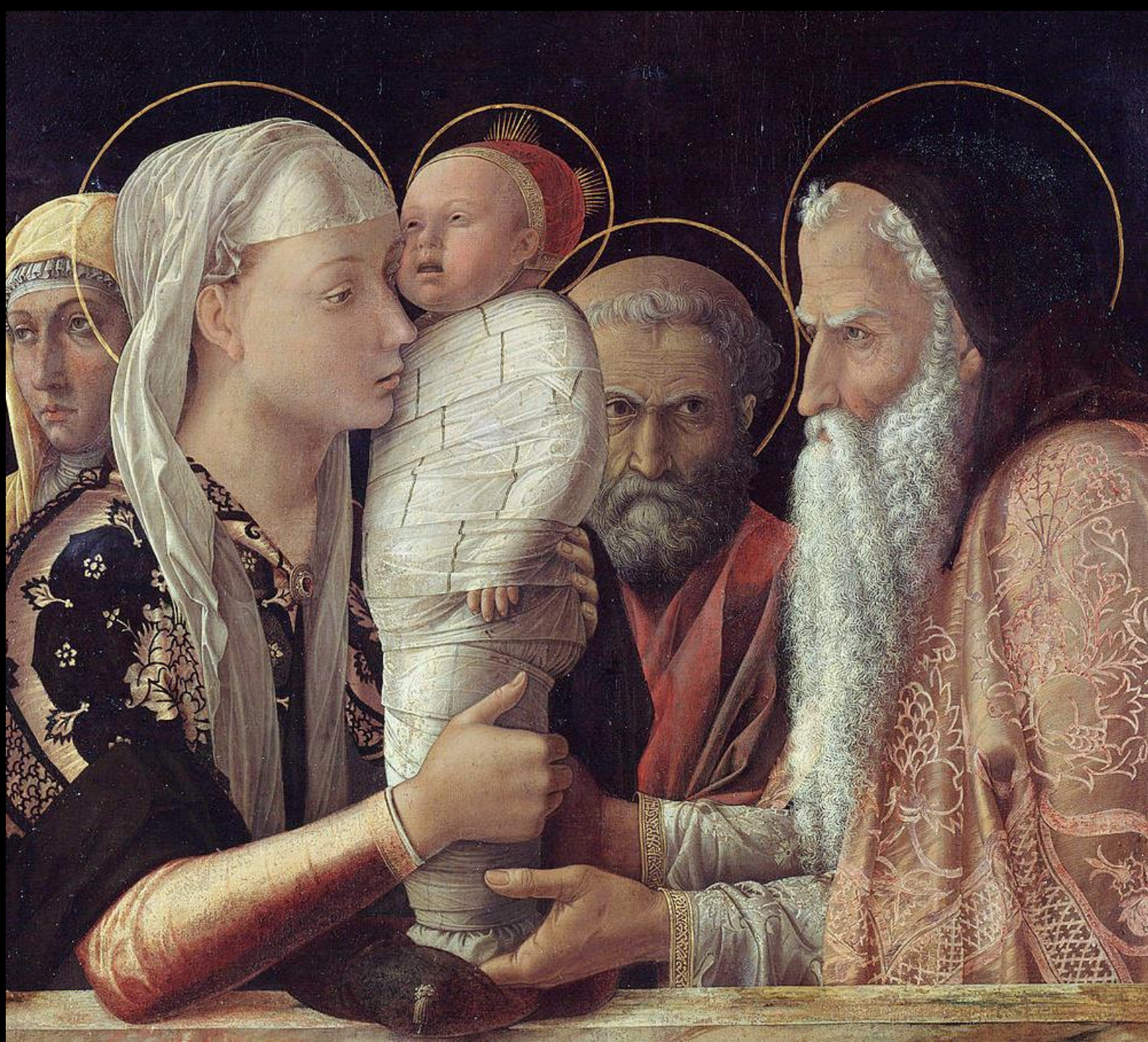
Presentation in the Temple

Musee National du Moyen Age,  
Paris, France



so that the inner thoughts of many will  
be revealed--and a sword will pierce  
your own soul too."

Luke 2:35



Presentation in  
the Temple

Andrea Mantegna  
Gemaldegalerie  
Berlin, Germany

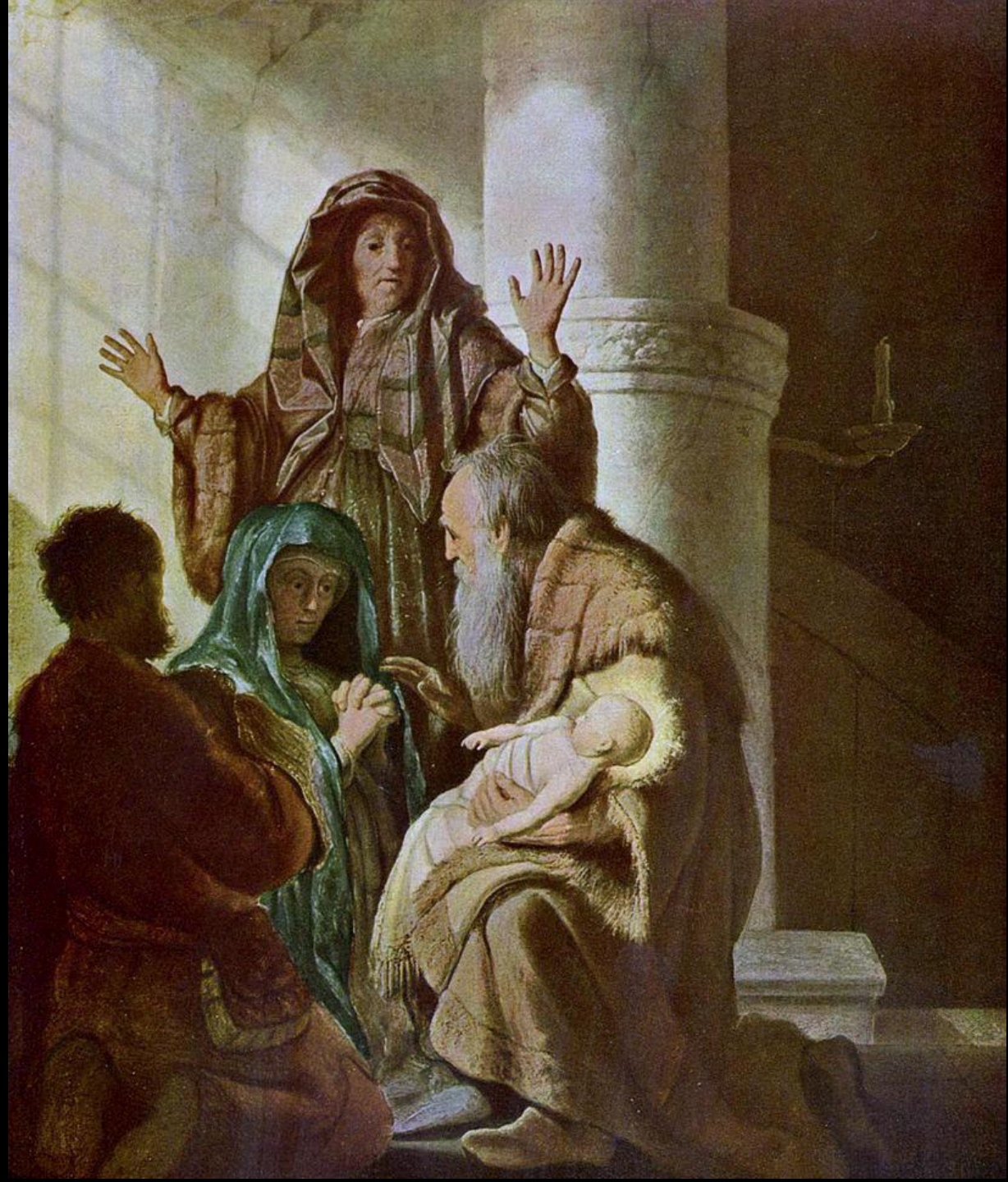
There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age...

Luke 2:36a



Anna and Simeon in the  
Temple

Rembrandt, Kunsthalle  
Hamburg, Germany



She never left the temple but  
worshiped there with fasting and  
prayer night and day.

Luke 2:37b





Presentation in the Temple -- Fra Angelico, Museum of San Marco, Florence, Italy



At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

Luke 2:38

Anna, the Prophetess

Palatine Chapel,  
Palermo, Sicily



The child grew and became strong,  
filled with wisdom; and the favor of  
God was upon him.

Luke 2:40





Christ in the House of His Parents -- John Everett Millais, Tate Britain, London

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