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Using agency. After reading “Priesthood, Agency, and Black Powder” (p. 56), list some of the “black powder” we face today. Share with a friend or family member your thoughts about how the gospel helps you avoid these dangers.

Managing your resources. This month’s issue contains several helps for financial management (see pp. 36 and 40 and the insert on family finances). To find additional information and tools to help you better manage your finances, including online financial calculators, visit www.providentliving.org and click on **Family Finances**.



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