Trying to Be Like Jesus

He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life (John 8:12).

Christmas Books





y mom told my brother and me that if we would read two issues of the

Friend from cover to cover she would let us pick something from our school book order. I read the November and December 2005 issues. When I was looking through the book order to choose a book, I saw some Christmas books that I knew my little sister Emmalie would like. Christmas was just a few weeks away. I asked my mom if I could choose those books and give



them to my sister for Christmas. My mom said that would be very generous and something that Jesus would do. It felt good to see my sister's face when she unwrapped her books on Christmas. I made someone else happy, and I think that's what Jesus would do.

Beau B., age 9, Utah

Comforting Mom

By Nicholas J.

n April 14, 2006, my 11-year-old sister, Alexandra, died in a car accident. A few weeks later, my mom was reading to me and she started crying because she missed

my sister. I hugged her and told her not to cry, that my sister would want us to be happy because she was in a happy place. Several months later, Mom began to cry again. I put my arms around her. I comforted her and told her not to cry, and that everything would be OK.

When I was baptized, my mom

reminded me that I made a covenant with Heavenly Father. In Mosiah 18:8–9 it says we need to be "willing to bear one another's burdens, that they may be light; Yea, and are willing

to mourn with those that mourn; yea, and comfort those that stand in need of comfort." I'm grateful I was baptized and could be there to comfort and help my mom.

Nicholas J., age 9, Ohio

Offer of Tea

By Lyssa L.

nce while
I was playing with my
friends, we
had a tea party.
They asked me
if I wanted any



tea, and I said no. They asked me why not, and I told them about the Word of Wisdom.

Lyssa L., age 10, Virginia

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