

# Living the Gospel Blesses My Family

What are some of the blessings Heavenly Father has given you? Some blessings are easy to see, like the beautiful world Heavenly Father created or a new brother or sister in your family. But sometimes you need to pay attention to notice Heavenly Father's blessings. In this story about Nephi, see if you can find the blessings Nephi and his family were given because they lived the gospel. (You can also read the story in 2 Nephi 5.)

The Lord warned Nephi to take his people into the wilderness so the Lamanites would not hurt them. Nephi was obedient. He gathered his family and all those who believed in the word of God. They traveled in the wilderness for many days. Finally they set up camp and went to work. They planted seeds, and their crops grew well. They raised many animals. They built buildings and a temple, where they could worship God. Nephi

taught the people from the scriptures, and they kept the commandments.

Nephi wrote that his people "lived after the manner of happiness" (2 Nephi 5:27). That means they lived in a way that helped them be happy. When we live the gospel, we receive blessings that can help us be happy. ◆



THE TEMPLE OF NEPHI, BY MICHAEL T. MALIM; ILLUSTRATION BY THOMAS S. CHILD

## SCRIPTURE

Articles of Faith 1:13

## IDEAS FOR FAMILY TALK

**What can your family do to "live after the manner of happiness"?**

## BLESSING HUNT

Be a blessing detective! Look closely at the footprints and find the left and right feet that go together. The left footprints are things we can do to live the gospel. The right footprints are scriptures that tell blessings that come from doing them. When we follow what the footprints say, we can stay on the path back to Heavenly Father.

