

What Is Different?

In these latter days, God has restored the priesthood and organized priesthood quorums and the Relief Society to help accomplish His work (see Moses 1:39). So each Sunday when we gather in Melchizedek Priesthood and Relief Society meetings, we gather to discuss and plan how we will accomplish His work. That is why these meetings

need to be more than classes. They are also opportunities to counsel about the work of salvation, learn together from the teachings of Church leaders about that work, and organize to accomplish it. These changes to our Sunday meetings will help us fulfill these purposes.

A Monthly Schedule

Sunday Melchizedek Priesthood and Relief Society meetings will follow this monthly schedule:

WEEK	PURPOSE
First Sunday	Counsel together about local responsibilities, opportunities, and challenges and make plans to act.
Second and Third Sundays	Study recent general conference messages chosen by presidency or group leaders or, on occasion, by the bishop or stake president.
Fourth Sunday	Discuss a special topic chosen by the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles.
Fifth Sunday	Address a topic chosen by the bishopric.

A Pattern for Our Meetings

In each of our Melchizedek Priesthood and Relief Society meetings, we follow a pattern to accomplish God's work.

1. *Share experiences* resulting from impressions and invitations received in previous priesthood or Relief Society meetings (led by a presidency member or group leader).
2. *Counsel together* (first Sunday, led by a presidency member or group leader) or *learn together* (second, third, and fourth Sundays, led by a called teacher).
3. *Plan to act* as a group or as individuals (led by a presidency member or group leader).

