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Family Home Evening Ideas

This issue contains articles and activities that could be used for family home evening. The following are some examples.



“Be at Peace,” page 28: Elder
Christofferson invites us to take time this
Christmas season to sit quietly and think
about baby Jesus.

Consider reading the
article together as a family
and then inviting a spirit
of reverence by reading
scriptures, singing hymns,
or watching Bible videos
(available at Biblevideos.org)
about the Savior's
birth. Then allow time
for each person to think
about the Savior's birth
and what it means to
them. You might con-
sider having journals or
paper available for those
who wish to record their
thoughts. Ask family
members to share their
thoughts if they so desire.

“A Savior Is Born,” page 72: Consider
discussing with your family Elder Oaks's state-
ment that “there has never been a greater

need for us to profess
our faith in our Savior,
privately and publicly.”
Think of some ways your
family can use this year's
Christmas video to share
the gospel and your tes-
timony of the Savior with
others (see [christas.
mormon.org](http://christas.mormon.org)). You might
make Christmas treats
to share with friends and
deliver the treats with a
card containing the web
address to the video. You
could also plan a family
social media campaign
and make goals for how
many people you can
share the video with.
Another option would be
to invite friends over to
watch the video with you.

GRATITUDE IN A FRAME

We chose to focus a family
home evening on the principle
of gratitude. We began by
discussing the meaning of the
word and how it applies to
our lives, emphasizing how we
should be grateful for the many
things the Savior has provided
for us. Next, each of us took a
turn writing on a mat board the
things we were grateful for. The
comments included everything
from the Atonement of Jesus
Christ to each other. Finally, we
attached a picture of the Savior
and put the mat board in a
frame. It now hangs in the hall
of our home, where we see it
every day.

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