

OCTOBER 2014 CONFERENCE NOTEBOOK

“What I the Lord have spoken, I have spoken; . . . whether by mine own voice or by the voice of my servants, it is the same” (D&C 1:38).

As you review the October 2014 general conference, you can use these pages (and Conference Notebooks in future issues) to help you study and apply the recent teachings of the living prophets and apostles and other Church leaders.

DOCTRINAL HIGHLIGHT



Follow the Golden Rule

“Followers of Christ should be examples of civility. We should love all people, be good listeners, and show concern for their sincere beliefs. Though we may disagree, we should not be disagreeable. Our stands and communications on controversial topics should not be contentious. We should be wise in explaining and pursuing our positions and in exercising

our influence. In doing so, we ask that others not be offended by our sincere religious beliefs and the free exercise of our religion. We encourage all of us to practice the Savior’s Golden Rule: ‘Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them’ (Matthew 7:12).”

Elder Dallin H. Oaks of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, “Loving Others and Living with Differences,” *Ensign*, Nov. 2014, 27.

PROPHETIC PROMISE



Revelation

“Revelation continues in the Church: the prophet receiving it for the Church; the president for his stake, his mission, or his quorum; the bishop for his ward; the father [and mother for their] family; the individual for himself.”¹

“I bear you my witness that is true. . . .

“God pours out revelation, through the Holy Ghost, on His children. He speaks to His prophet on the earth, who today is Thomas S. Monson. I witness that he holds and exercises all the keys of the priesthood on earth.”

President Henry B. Eyring, First Counselor in the First Presidency, “Continuing Revelation,” *Ensign*, Nov. 2014, 73.

NOTE

1. Boyd K. Packer, “We Believe All That God Has Revealed,” *Ensign*, May 1974, 95.



GO AND DO

Elder Neil L. Andersen of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles suggested two ways youth can “gain

a personal witness of the Prophet Joseph Smith”:

“First, find scriptures in the Book of Mormon that you feel and know are

absolutely true. Then share them with family and friends . . . , acknowledging that Joseph was an instrument in God’s hands. Next, read the testimony of the Prophet Joseph Smith in the Pearl of Great Price. . . . Consider recording the testimony of Joseph Smith in your own voice, listening to it regularly, and sharing it with friends.”

From “Joseph Smith,” *Ensign*, Nov. 2014, 30.

Come and See



Why do Latter-day Saints want to share the gospel?

“Devoted disciples of Jesus Christ always have been and always will be valiant missionaries,” Elder David A. Bednar of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles said. “A missionary is a follower of Christ who testifies of Him as the Redeemer and proclaims the truths of His gospel.

“The Church of Jesus Christ always has been and always will be a missionary church. . . .

“ . . . Sharing with other people

things that are most meaningful to us or have helped us is not unusual at all.

“This same pattern is especially evident in matters of great spiritual importance and consequence.”

What can we do when people express interest in the gospel and in the Church? Elder Bednar said we can follow the Savior’s example by inviting them to “come and see” (John 1:39).

From “Come and See,” *Ensign*, Nov. 2014, 107, 109.

Answers for You

Each conference, prophets and leaders give inspired answers to questions Church members may have. You can use your November 2014 issue or visit conference.lds.org to find answers to these questions:

- How can we better understand the significance of the sacrament? See Cheryl A. Esplin, “The Sacrament—a Renewal for the Soul,” 12.
- What is the relationship between agency, justice, mercy, repentance, and the Savior’s Atonement? See D. Todd Christofferson, “Free Forever, to Act for Themselves,” 16.
- Why is the home the ideal forum for teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ? See Tad R. Callister, “Parents: The Prime Gospel Teachers of Their Children,” 32.
- How do parents work together to build an eternal family? See L. Tom Perry, “Finding Lasting Peace and Building Eternal Families,” 43.

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