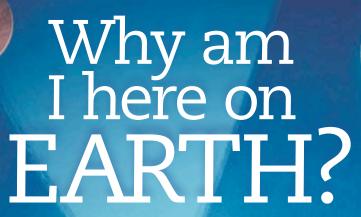


SPECIAL WITNESS

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The members of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles are special witnesses of Jesus Christ.



Your Heavenly Father has known you for a very long time.

You, as His son or daughter, were chosen by Him to come to earth at this precise time, to be a leader in His great work on earth.

You were chosen *not* for your bodily characteristics but for your *spiritual* attributes, such as bravery, courage, integrity of heart, a thirst for truth, a hunger for wisdom, and a desire to serve others.

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