



Hearing about the Three Degrees of Glory for the First Time

Section 76 of the Doctrine and Covenants clarifies important aspects of the plan of salvation that were lost from the earth during the Apostasy. For many people, learning these restored truths for the first time is a memorable experience. This was the case for **Connie, a convert from Richmond, Virginia, USA.**

She recalls: “I had always seen God’s love when reading the Bible, but I could never find any church that taught it the way I understood it. When I had the missionary lesson on the plan of salvation, I felt so vindicated and a peace like I had never felt before. I thought to myself, ‘That is the Heavenly Father I know.’ Learning about the degrees of glory opened my mind so wide I could hardly contain my excitement to learn more.”



Delphine, a convert from Paris, France, has a difficult family situation, so when the missionaries taught her that families can live together in the celestial kingdom, she wasn’t sure she wanted that. As the missionaries continued to teach her about the three degrees of glory, however, she was comforted. She learned that she will get to be with those she loves who chose to follow the gospel. With a better understanding of the plan of salvation, she said, “I found it much more just, and that reassured me.”

DISCUSSION

What are some truths from section 76 that motivate you to be worthy of the celestial kingdom?