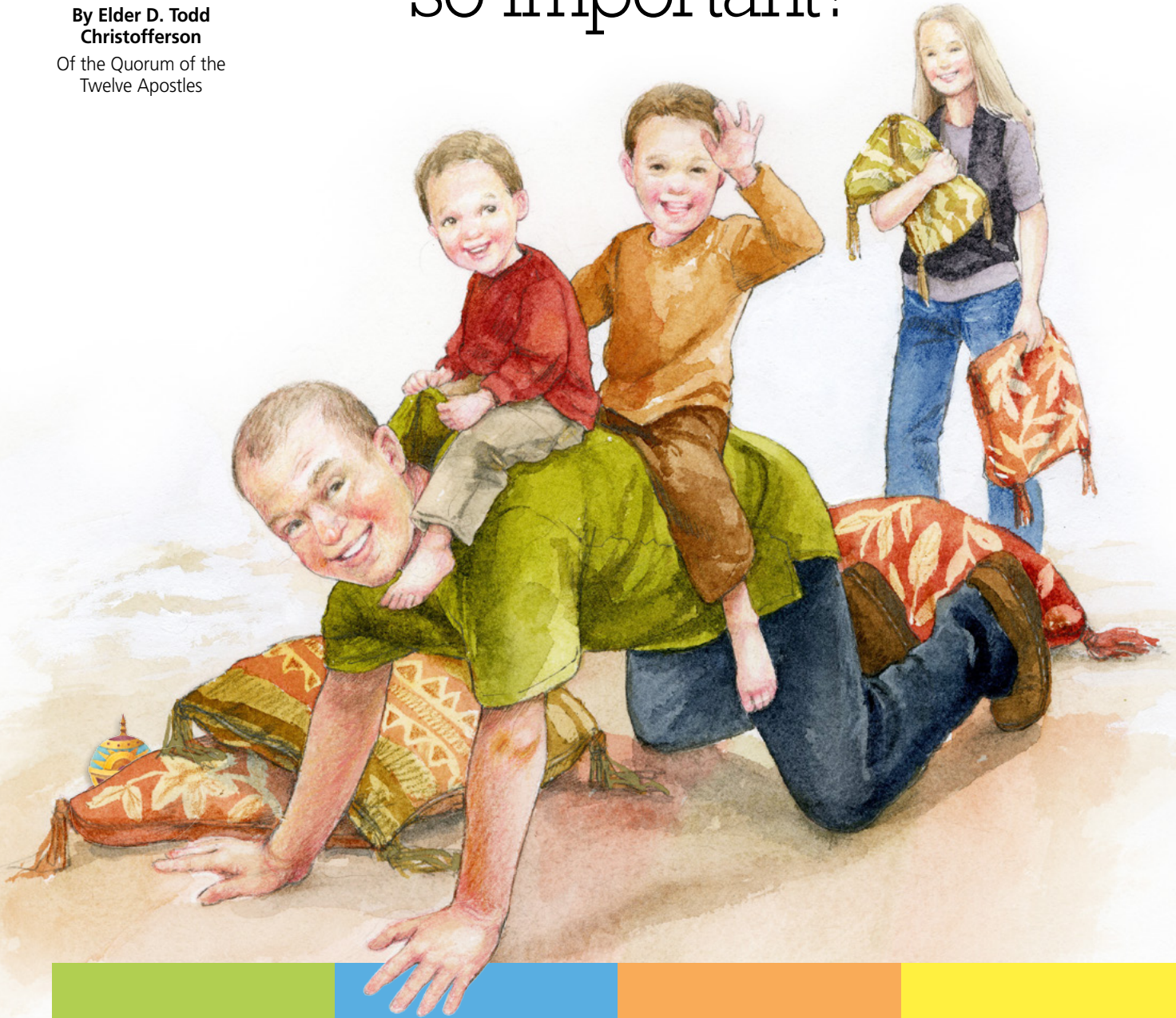




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# Why are fathers so important?



Heavenly Father is our Father. He loves us perfectly, and He works to help us be happy and return to Him.

He planned for fathers to love, protect, and take care of their families. Fathers and mothers are equal partners.

Fathers' most important work is to teach their children to love and be loyal to Heavenly Father.

If you don't have a father living with you, you are not any less important or valued. Heavenly Father can help you become a righteous father or mother someday.