



Our Need to Love and Minister

“When we
COVENANT ALL
we are, we can
BECOME MORE
than we are.”

Elder Gerrit W. Gong of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, “Covenant Belonging,” 80, emphasis added.

“We all know where we can do better. There is no need to repeatedly remind each other, but there is a need to love and minister to each other and, in doing so, provide a climate of willingness to change.”

Elder Hans T. Boom of the Seventy, “Knowing, Loving, and Growing,” 105.

COUNSEL FROM PRESIDENT NELSON

During general conference, President Russell M. Nelson gave important counsel to Latter-day Saints.

He encouraged youth to:

- “Qualify for limited-use temple recommends” (“Closing Remarks,” 121).
- Remember his invitation “to enlist in the Lord’s youth battalion” to gather Israel (“Witnesses, Atonic Priesthood Quorums, and Young Women Classes,” 39).

He counseled women to:

- “Seek to understand what the Lord would have you know and do,” and “study prayerfully section 25 of the Doctrine and Covenants and discover what the Holy Ghost will teach you.”
- “Shift your focus away from worldly distractions,” and “embark upon and continue this lifelong process of consecrating your life to the Lord.”
- Teach the doctrine of Jesus Christ, and provide “input in family, ward, and stake councils.”
- Serve, pray, fast, study the scriptures, serve in the temple, and do family history work, all of which “will open the heavens to you.”
- “Study prayerfully *all* the truths you can find about

priesthood power,” beginning with Doctrine and Covenants sections 84 and 107. (See “Spiritual Treasures,” 77, 79.)

He encouraged all Church members to prepare for general conference in April 2020 by:

- Reading Joseph Smith’s account of the First Vision.
- Pondering how the Book of Mormon and the events since the First Vision have made a difference for us and our loved ones.
- Making the new Book of Mormon videos part of our individual and family study.
- Selecting our own questions, designing our own plans, and immersing ourselves “in the glorious light of the Restoration.” (See “Closing Remarks,” 122.)

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Walking the Covenant Path

To keep the two great commandments, said President Dallin H. Oaks, “we walk a fine line between law and love—keeping the commandments and walking the covenant path, while loving our neighbors along the way. This walk requires us to seek divine inspiration” (“Two Great Commandments,” 75). Watch or read his talk and the talks by the following speakers for strength along on the covenant path:

- Elder Terence M. Vinson, who said, “What we need here is less Wi-Fi and more Nephi!” (“True Disciples of the Savior,” 9).
- Brother Stephen W. Owen, who encouraged us to seek “spiritual nourishment” by disconnecting from the world and connecting with heaven (“Be Faithful, Not Faithless,” 12).
- Sister Michelle Craig, who spoke about “four ways to increase your spiritual capacity to receive revelation” (“Spiritual Capacity,” 19).
- Elder Gary E. Stevenson, who said, “We must continue to be faithful and vigilant, for so is the only way to discern truth and to hear the voice of the Lord through His servants” (“Deceive Me Not,” 96).
- President M. Russell Ballard, who said, “One of the most important things we can learn in this life is how to emphasize our eternal spiritual nature and control our evil desires” (“Giving Our Spirits Control over Our Bodies,” 109).
- Elder Peter M. Johnson, who taught us how we can overcome three tools of the adversary: deception, distraction, and discouragement (“Power to Overcome the Adversary,” 110-12).

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Share the Gospel

When it comes to sharing the gospel, Sister Cristina B. Franco asked the following questions and then told members of the Church, “The answer to all of these questions is yes! We can do it!”

- “Can we invite a friend who is not of our faith to come to church with us on Sunday?”
- “Can we perhaps share a copy of the Book of Mormon with a relative or a friend?”
- “Can we help others find their ancestors on FamilySearch or share with others what we have learned during the week as we have been studying *Come, Follow Me*?”
- “Can we be more like our Savior, Jesus Christ, and share with others what brings us joy to our lives?”

Sister Cristina B. Franco, Second Counselor in the Primary General Presidency, “Finding Joy in Sharing the Gospel,” 85.

