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CHAPTER 24

# Parents Should Teach Their Children

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Some elders in the Church wanted to know of the Lord's will for them, so they went to the Prophet Joseph Smith.

Doctrine and Covenants 68, section heading



Joseph prayed for guidance. The Lord's answer included important principles about how to be good parents.



Parents should teach their children about Jesus and help them develop faith in Him.

Doctrine and Covenants 68:25



Parents should teach their children how to repent.

Doctrine and Covenants 68:25



Jesus said children should be baptized when they are eight years old. Parents are to teach their children the gospel before they are baptized.

Doctrine and Covenants 68:25, 27





Parents should teach their children about the gift of the Holy Ghost. Parents should also teach their children how to pray and how to listen to the Holy Ghost.

Doctrine and Covenants 68:25, 28



Parents should teach their children to know and obey God's commandments and to be good members of the Church.

Doctrine and Covenants 68:28



Parents and children who follow Jesus' teachings can have lasting happiness as a family.