

The Lord Always Rewards Obedience Abundantly

Eternal Rewards are the Best!

Pick and choose any of the following items for your Family Home Evening. Come back to this lesson each year and choose different items or reinforce the same ones.

Songs

1. Choose the Right Way [and be happy] ([PS #160](#))
2. I am a Child of God [esp. verse 3] ([PS #2](#))
3. I'll Seek the Lord Early [his love will abound] ([PS #108](#))
4. I Will Follow God's Plan [and be happy] ([PS #164](#))
5. Choose the Right [the Holy Spirit guides] ([HB #239](#))
6. Come Follow Me [esp. 6th verse] ([HB #116](#))
7. Dearest Children, God is near you [he will bless you] ([HB #96](#))
8. Keep the Commandments ([HB #303](#))

Scripture Quotes & Stories

1. [2 Nephi 2:27-28](#)--Men free to choose
2. [D&C 88:63-64](#)--He answers prayers
3. [2 Nephi 31:10-21](#)—Follow Christ and be saved
4. [**D&C 14:7](#)—Keep commandments, have greatest gift of all
5. [Psalms 37:3-5](#)—God grants desires of your heart
6. [D&C 25:12](#)—Righteousness yields blessings
7. [D&C 76:5-10](#)—Great rewards and know mysteries of God
8. [Mosiah 2:22 & 41](#)—Blessed in all things temporal and spiritual
9. [Abraham 3:22-28](#)—The plan of salvation
10. [D&C 59:23](#) – Peace in this life and eternal life to come
11. [Proverbs 3:5-6](#) – Trust in the Lord, he will direct thy paths
12. [D&C 82:10](#)—The Lord has to keep his promises.
13. [Alma 37:35-37](#) – Keep the commandments, counsel with the Lord and He will direct thee for good.
14. [Alma 48:15-16](#) – Keep commandments, get battle plans
15. [Alma 48:17](#) – If all men were like Captain Moroni
16. Noah (saved from flood)

17. Captain Moroni (help with battle plans)
18. Joshua and Battle of Jericho
19. Nephi gets plates
20. Moses gets water from rock
21. The Lord tells Gideon how to pick soldiers by how they drink
22. Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego (good health, saved from fire)
23. The 10 talents
24. [Alma 58:10-33](#) – Nephites pray to gain victory over Lamanites in battle and succeed
25. [3 Nephi 3:18-21](#) – Lord directs a battle

Stories

1. [Hans the Shepherd Boy](#) (Pg. 260 The Moral Compass – William J. Bennett)

Games

1. Treasure Hunt – lots of clues lead to the ultimate prize

Outings

1. Go to Temple Visitors Center—watch presentations, etc. Discuss eternal life together.

Object Lessons

1. The Great Reward Salad—Give each family member an index card with an ingredient to the salad and directions on how to get their ingredient properly to the bowl. Sometimes we get a reward or blessing right away when we obey. Sometimes it isn't as easy to see as this salad, but we always get blessings for obedience. The Lord has to bless us! See D&C 82:10. Ingredients can vary, but here is a basic list.
 - 1 can pineapple chunks, with juice
 - 1 can mandarin oranges, drain syrup
 - 1 can fruit cocktail, drain syrup
 - 1 can other fruit (apricots, pears, peaches), cut up
 - 2 chopped apples
 - 1 orange, peeled and cut up
 - Some grapes or raisins
 - Prepared whip cream or whip topping and a spoon, do not add to bowl

Activities

1. Together look up scriptures that state specific blessing that come for obedience to specific commandments. Try some of these:
 - [Acts 13:23](#) God promised a Savior
 - [D&C 132:30-31](#) Abraham's seed
 - [D&C 64:23](#) Tithing
 - [D&C 89](#) Word of Wisdom promises

Refreshment Ideas

1. The Great Reward Salad—see object lessons
2. Your family's most favorite treat—something divine!

Discussion Questions

1. Is it true?
2. Can you think of any examples of the Lord abundantly rewarding you?
3. Can you think of any examples of the Lord abundantly rewarding someone else who lives today?
4. Can you think of any examples of the Lord abundantly rewarding someone from the scriptures?
5. What is eternal life?
6. Can you think of some temporal blessings we might get?
7. What does it mean to be truly happy? Can you think of some people who are not happy?
8. Why is it a blessing to have the Holy Spirit guide?
9. How does the Lord “direct our paths” when we are righteous?
10. How does the Lord answer our prayers? Are they always answered to our benefit? Do we always feel like they are?
11. Do rewards always come immediately?