



Activity Time

What you need: A copy of the “Admonition” activity (artwork included with this lesson) for each child, scissors, glue and ribbon.

Preparation

1. Print and cut out the artwork.
2. Roll up “scroll” and tie with ribbon.
3. Glue ends of “Chains of Satan's Deception” pieces together (wrong side together-line up slits) to form “iron” arm cuffs.

Activity:

1. Explain: The Apostle Paul and the Prophet Joseph Smith were both unjustly imprisoned many times by wicked men and even put in arm irons. Both of these great men of God gave their lives for the gospel of Jesus Christ.
2. Ask: Do you think these two great men, endured to the end?
3. Give each child a scroll to unroll. Read: The 13th Article of Faith and Phil. 4:8.
Explain: These are two of the many verses that the Apostle Paul and the Prophet Joseph Smith recorded for us before they died, to help us endure to the end.
4. Explain: We will probably never have to face death for the gospel, but Satan would like to imprison us and keep us from enduring to the end with his “Chains of Deception.”
5. Give each child two “iron arm cuffs” and a set of chain links.
6. Explain: Each link contains a lie that Satan might try to make us believe to imprison us.
7. Take turns reading the statements on the links and then making a chain out of them by gluing the ends together (link the first and last chain link to the cuffs). After reading each statement, Ask: Can you find which part of The Thirteenth Article of Faith that Satan that is written on your scroll that Satan is trying to get you to not follow or believe?

(A. Honest B. True C. Chaste D. Benevolent E. Virtuous F. Doing good to all men
G. Following the admonition of Paul H. We believe all things I. We hope all things
J. We have endured many things K. Hope to be able to endure all things
L. If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things.)

8. Have the children slip on their arm irons.

Explain: One time when the Apostle Paul was imprisoned and in arm irons, he knew that his missionary work on earth was not done and that God would help him break the chains that bound him.

Ask: Do you know what he did? (He sang a song of praise to Heavenly Father.)

9. Explain: Heavenly Father has power over Satan. If we sincerely ask for His help, and repent, He will break the bands that Satan tries to bind us with so that we can endure to the end and return to live with Him some day.

10. Have the children stand and sing Childrens Songbook #146 *Keep the Commandments*.

11. As they sing break each child's chains.



The Thirteenth Article of Faith

“We believe in being

honest,

true,

chaste,

benevolent,

virtuous,

and in doing good to all men;

indeed, we may say that we follow the admonition of Paul—

“We believe all things,

we hope all things,

we have endured many things,

and hope to be able to endure all things.

If there is anything virtuous, lovely,
or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things.”

-Joseph Smith

The Admonitions of Paul

“Finally, brethren,

whatsoever things are true,

whatsoever things are honest,

whatsoever things are just,

whatsoever things are pure,

whatsoever things are lovely,

whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue,

and if there be any praise, think on these things.”

Philippians 4:8

CHAINS of SATAN'S DECEPTION

CHAINS of SATAN'S DECEPTION

A. Tell your mom your homework is done, even when it's not or you'll get in trouble.

B. If someone makes fun of the Church don't say anything or they'll tease you.

C. If you don't wear revealing clothing like the other kids, you won't be popular.

D. Show everyone how tough you are by beating up that "nerdy" kid.

E. It's okay to make out with that high school kid, as long as no one finds out.

F. Don't befriend that new family, because they're not Mormons.

G. Don't believe the Admonition of Paul. You're saved by "grace" not "works."

H. Don't believe all you've learned in church. God wouldn't appear to a 14-year-old boy.

I. There's no reason for you to have hope. Things are never going to work out for you.

J. If God really loved you, why would He give you all these trials to face.

K. You should just give up! God's given you too much to bear and life's too hard.

L. I'll give you cigarettes, drugs, alcohol, pornography...all the fun you seek that your agency allows you to choose.