

Declare My Word

Doctrine and Covenants 30-36

Objectives:

Reinforces Principles of:

■ Learn about the importance of sharing the gospel with others.

■ Missionary Work

Reverence Time

Song:

"I Want to Be a Missionary Now" Children's Songbook, page 168

https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/music/library/childrens-songbook/i-want-to-be-amissionary-now

Scripture:

Doctrine & Covenants 31:3

"Lift up your heart and rejoice, for the hour of your mission is come; and your tongue shall be loosed, and you shall declare glad tidings of great joy unto this generation."

Video:

Watch this week's clip from the Living Scriptures Streaming Library. Find the clip at https://www.livingscriptures.com/fhe-lesson-word

Lesson Summary:

Peter Whitmer, Oliver Cowdery, Ziba Petersen, and Parley P. Pratt were called on a mission to the Lamanites. With faith, they began their journey to the Missouri frontier. Along the way, they stopped to visit Sidney Rigdon in Ohio. Sidney Rigdon led a congregation of Christians, and as his testimony grew of the Restored Church, he shared what he learned with his congregation. Over 100 people were baptized there. Although they weren't able to baptize any of the American Indians they hoped to teach, their mission brought many new members into the Church.

Sometimes the Lord calls us to do things to help us learn and grow. He teaches us to follow and trust in Him. He asks us to "open our mouths" and share the gospel message with others. As we do, we can help the Lord fulfill His work.

Quote:

"Why every member a missionary? Because that is what the Lord has asked us to do. Prayerfully consider it. There are those who would forever call you the angel of understanding and compassion that led them to the truth, fortified them in their faith, or helped them learn to serve the Lord." Richard G. Scott

Questions:

Was the mission to the Lamanites a success? Why or why not?

How does the Lord help us to share the gospel?

What can we do to prepare ourselves to be good missionaries whether we serve

full-time or not?

Activity Time

"Feed My Sheep" Relay

Description: 1. As a family write down ways you can "feed His sheep".

2. Have a relay race to see which team can feed the sheep fastest.

What you need:

■ A copy of the "Feed His Sheep" activity (artwork included with this lesson), scissors, tape, pencils, two buckets, baskets or large bowls.

Preparation:

1. Print out the artwork.

2. Cut apart "I can feed His sheep by..." slips. Cut out sheep.

3. Tape sheep to buckets, baskets or large bowls.

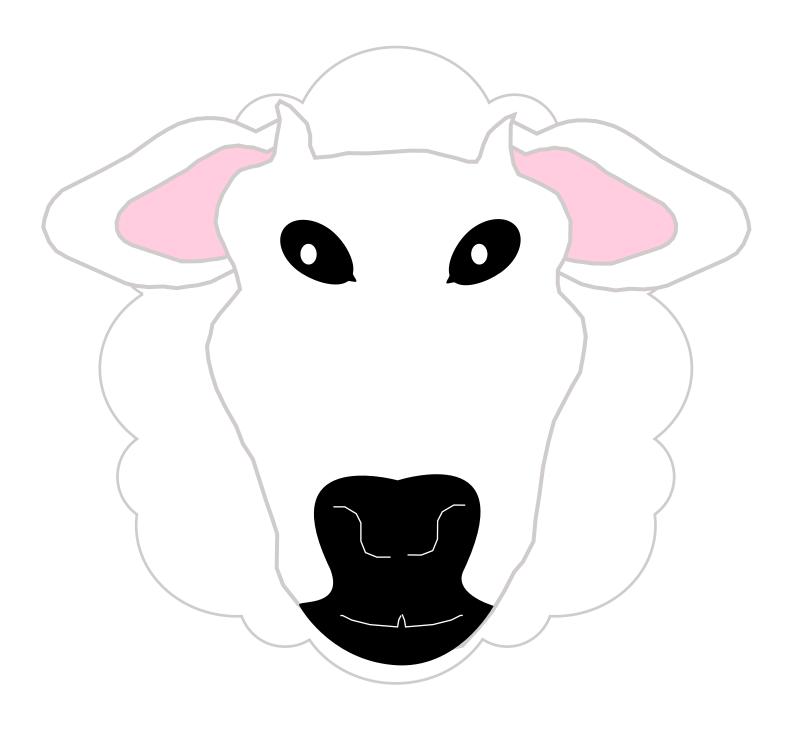
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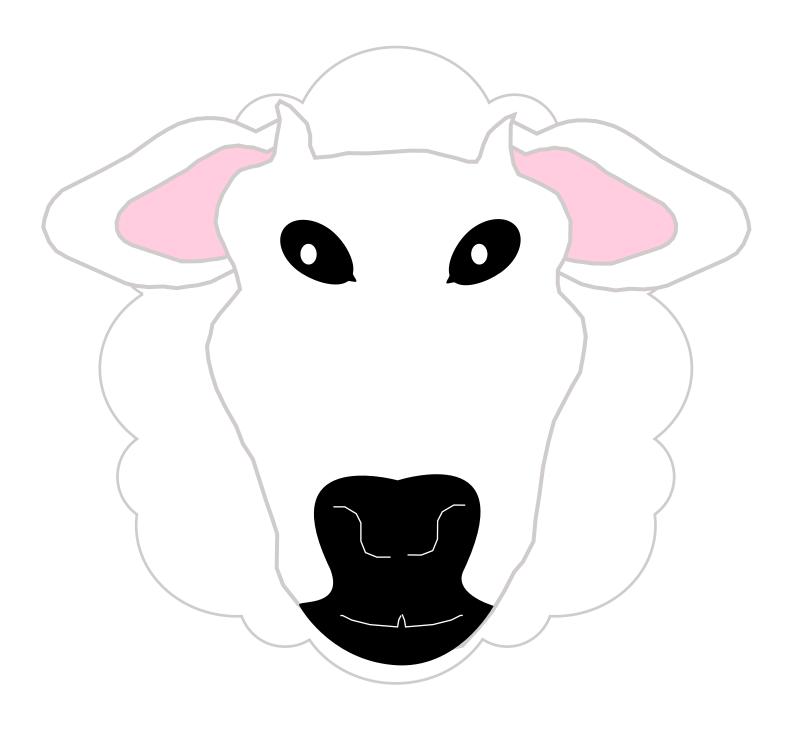
- 1. Ask: In Doctrine & Covenants 35:27, the Savior calls the members of the Church his "little flock." How are we part of the Savior's flock? In the scriptures, the Savior says, "feed my sheep." What does it mean to "feed His sheep?" Give each family member 2 slips to write down ways they can feed His sheep.
- 2. Talk about the things you wrote down. (Help small children write down their ideas.)
- 3. Crumple slips into balls (sheep food). 4. Divide family members into two teams. Put the sheep bucket/basket/bowl on the other side of the room, one across from each team.
- 5. One at a time, a person from each team runs to place a crumpled ball (sheep food) in the sheep bucket to "feed the sheep", and then runs back to tag the next person on their team. The tagged person now runs to "feed the sheep". The race continues until all members on the team have "fed the sheep" twice. The first team to finish wins!
- 6. Discuss: How can we help each other to "feed His sheep"?





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Treat Time

"Build Upon My Rock" Toffee

Prep Time: 5 minutes
Cook Time: 30 minutes
Cooling Time: 30 minutes

Ingredients: 1 Cup real butter

1 Cup granulated sugar1 Tbs. light corn syrup

3 Tbs. water

1 cup milk chocolate chips

1/4 cup chopped walnuts or pecans

Instructions:

Butter a 2 quart glass or metal bowl and set aside. Place all ingredients, except chocolate chips and nuts, into a heavy 3 quart sauce pan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly (without scraping sides of pan) until mixture comes to a full rolling boil. Place a candy thermometer into the boiling mixture and continue boiling, stirring occasionally, until temperature reaches 290 degrees F.

Remove from heat and pour into prepared bowl. Do not scrape sides or bottom of pan. Allow toffee to cool for approximately 30 minutes. After mixture has cooled, turn out of bowl, upside down, onto a wooden or plastic cutting board. Heat chocolate chips in microwave for approximately 30 seconds, just until melted. Stir in nuts and pour chocolate mixture over the top of the toffee. Chill just until chocolate mixture hardens.

Treat Time: Explain to the children that in order to enjoy all of the blessings of the Gospel of Jesus Christ we must partake of His Gospel. Explain that partake means: to eat or drink something or to share or take part in something. With a clean hammer and chisel, let children take turns breaking away pieces of the rock toffee.