

# Gospel Doctrine Sunday School

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Today's Word: atonement

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Are You:

- Reading Scriptures Faithfully?
- Being Obedient to the Promptings of the Spirit?

Today's Scriptures

2 Nephi 6-10

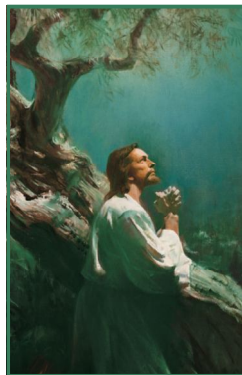
Next Week:

Lesson 9:

"My Soul Delighteth in the Words of Isaiah"

2 Nephi 11-25

## Lesson 8: "O How Great the Goodness of Our God"



**Elder Boyd K. Packer taught:**

"The discouraging idea that a mistake (or even a series of them) makes it everlastingly too late, does not come from the Lord. He has said that *if* we will repent, not only will He forgive us our transgressions, but He will forget them and remember our sins no more (see Isaiah 43:25; Hebrews 8:12; 10:17; Alma 36:19; D&C 58:42)" *Ensign*, May 1989, 59).

**President Gordon B Hinckley:**

"We carry in our hearts a firm and unshakable conviction of the divine mission of the Lord Jesus Christ. . . . We honor His birth. But without His death, that birth would have been but one more birth. It was the Redemption which He worked out in the Garden of Gethsemane and upon the cross of Calvary which made His gift immortal, universal, and everlasting. His was a great Atonement for the sins of all mankind. . . .

"[Jesus Christ's] Atonement is the greatest event in human history. There is nothing to compare with it. It is the most fundamental part of our Father's plan for the happiness of His children. Without it, mortal life would be a dead-end existence with neither hope nor future. The gift of our divine Redeemer brings an entirely new dimension to our lives. Because of our Savior's sacrifice, instead of dismal oblivion, death becomes only a passage to a more glorious realm. The Resurrection becomes a reality for all" (*Ensign*, Sept 2007, 4-8).

### *Questions to Ponder*

- According to Jacob, what are some things we must do to be "saved in the kingdom of God"?
- What does it mean to be spiritually blind and deaf?

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