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Today's Word: illusion

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Are You:

- Feasting Upon the Word of the Lord Regularly?
- Keeping Attuned to the Promptings of the Spirit?

Today's Scriptures

2 Nephi 26-30

2 Nephi 31-33

Next Week:

**Branch Conference
(No Sunday School)**

March 23:

Lesson 12:

**"Seek Ye for the
Kingdom of God"**

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Lesson 10: "He Inviteth All to Come unto Him"

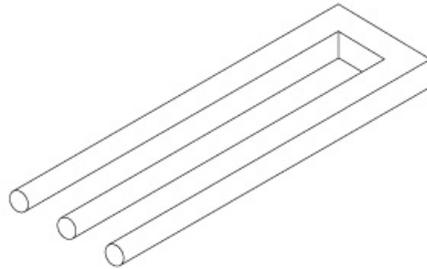


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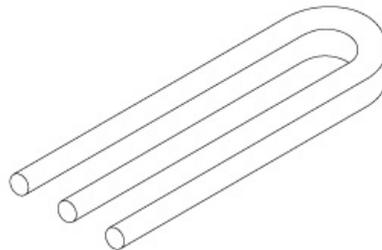


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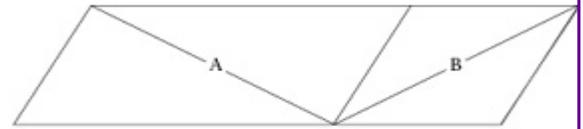


Figure 2

Questions to Ponder

- What are some ways Satan uses "flaxen cords" before binding people with "strong cords"?
- In what ways can we help those who are less fortunate, both physically and spiritually?

Elder James E. Faust shared the following analogy: " 'Thomas R. Rowan ... said: "' Author and commentator Malcolm Muggeridge once told a story about some frogs who were killed without resistance by being boiled alive in [a] cauldron of water. Why didn't they resist? Because when they were put in the cauldron, the water was tepid. Then the temperature was raised ever so slightly, ... then a bit warmer still, and on and on and on. The change was so gradual, almost imperceptible, that the frogs accommodated themselves to their new environment—until it was too late. The point that Mr. Muggeridge was making was not about frogs but about us and how we tend to accept evil as long as it is not a shock that is thrust on us abruptly. We are inclined to accept something morally wrong if it is only a shade more wrong than something we are already accepting" . After sharing this analogy, Elder Faust said, "This gradual process was foretold by ancient prophets" (*Ensign*, May 1989, 32).

Lesson 11: "Press Forward with a Steadfastness in Christ"

Elder Neal A. Maxwell said: "We need to feast upon the words of Christ in the scriptures and as these words come to us from living prophets. Just nibbling occasionally will not do. Feasting means partaking with relish and delight and savoring" (*Wherefore Ye Must Press Forward* [1977], 28).



Questions to Ponder

- Based on Nephi's teachings in 2 Nephi 31, how would you define "the doctrine of Christ"?
- Why is pressing forward an important part of enduring to the end?