

Gospel Doctrine Sunday School Lesson

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Today's Word: switch point

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Are You:

- Saying Your Prayers Every Day?
- Having Family Home Evening Every Week?

Today's Scriptures

1 Corinthians 11-16

Next Week:

Lesson 35:

“Be Ye Reconciled to God”

2 Corinthians

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Lesson 34: “Keep the Ordinances As I Delivered Them”



Questions to Ponder

- Why is the relationship of husband and wife so important in the kingdom of God?
- How can we develop greater charity?
- How can we make the ordinance of the sacrament more meaningful in our lives?

—On the Resurrection—

Elder B. Renato Maldonado:

“Perfect order exists in everything in nature from the nucleus of the atom to the immensity of space. This is true in spiritual things as well as temporal; therefore, blessings that are spiritual are also governed by spiritual laws. . . .In other words, there is a relationship between obedience and blessings. The Lord has said that we will be blessed and will live in a degree of glory in the next life according to the eternal laws we obey in mortality” (“Messages from the Doctrine and Covenants: The Three Degrees of Glory,” *Ensign*, April 2005, 62).

—On Spiritual Gifts—

President George Q. Cannon:

“If any of us are imperfect, it is our duty to pray for the gift that will make us perfect. . . . No man ought to say, ‘Oh, I cannot help this; it is my nature.’ He is not justified in it, for the reason that God has promised to give strength to correct these things, and to give gifts that will eradicate them. If a man lack wisdom, it is his duty to ask God for wisdom. The same with everything else. That is the design of God concerning His Church. He wants His Saints to be perfected in the truth.” ([*Millennial Star*, 23 Apr. 1894, 260], qtd in *Ensign*, Feb. 2002, 12).

—On the Sacrament—

Elder Jeffrey R. Holland taught:

“With so very much at stake, [the sacrament] should be taken more seriously than it sometimes is. It should be a powerful, reverent, reflective moment. It should encourage spiritual feelings and impressions. As such it should not be rushed. It is not something to ‘get over’ so that the real purpose of a sacrament meeting can be pursued. This is the real purpose of the meeting” (*Ensign*, Nov. 1995, 68).

—On Marriage—

President Marion G. Romney taught:

“[A husband and wife] should be one in harmony, respect, and mutual consideration. Neither should plan or follow an independent course of action. They should consult, pray, and decide together. . . . Remember that neither the wife nor the husband is the slave of the other. Husbands and wives are equal partners” (“In the Image of God,” *Ensign*, Mar. 1978, 2, 4).