



Easter in the Book of Mormon

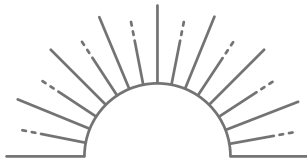
Daily Devotionals

Study the Easter story from 3 Nephi with these daily devotionals for the whole family. These cards align with the [Easter Study Plan](#) put out by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints but this product is not made, provided, approved nor endorsed by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The ideas and activities found in this packet are my own.

Instructions:

1. Print out page 2-5 of this packet on white or colored cardstock.
2. Cut each page in half along the thin gray line.
3. Order them by the days of the week (starting with Prophecies of Jesus Christ's Birth)
4. Display them in your home and use one each day starting on Sunday, March 24. Do not feel like you need to use everything on the printable, but pick and choose what your family needs each day to come closer to Christ this Easter season.





Sunday

Prophecies of Jesus Christ's Birth

Helaman 14: 1-8, 13-20

Samuel the Lamanite was a prophet sent of God to warn the people in ancient America of Christ's birth, death, and resurrection. He told the people of the signs of Christ birth and death and invited them to repent and believe in Jesus Christ. We have a prophet today who tells us about Christ's second coming.

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My dear brothers and sisters, so many wonderful things are ahead. In coming days, we will see the greatest manifestations of the Savior's power that the world has ever seen. Between now and the time He returns "with power and great glory" [Joseph Smith—Matthew 1:36], He will bestow countless privileges, blessings, and miracles upon the faithful. (Russell M. Nelson, "Overcome the World and Find Rest," Liahona, Nov. 2022, 95)
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Watch: "Samuel the Lamanite Tells about Jesus Christ"

Sing: "Samuel Tells of the Baby Jesus," Children's Songbook, 36:

Activity: 1. Complete this week's CFM coloring page from the manual.
2. Create a sun out of construction paper. Draw or glue a picture of Jesus in the middle. On the back write one thing you can do to prepare for Christ's second coming.



Monday

Jesus Christ comes to Ancient America

3 Nephi 11:1-17

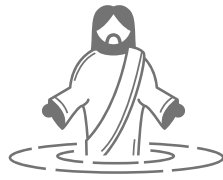
After Christ was resurrected, He appeared to the people in America. He had them feel the prints of the nails in His hands and in His feet so they could know for themselves that He was really Jesus Christ.

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*Imagine: the Nephites at the temple actually touched the hands of the risen Lord! We hope to make these chapters in 3 Nephi as much a part of our Easter tradition as Luke 2 is of our Christmas tradition. In reality, the Book of Mormon shares the greatest Easter story ever told. Let it not be the greatest Easter story never told.
I invite you to look at the Book of Mormon in a new light and consider the profound witness it bears of the reality of the risen Christ as well as the richness and depth of the doctrine of Christ. (Gary E. Stevenson, "The Greatest Easter Story Ever Told," Liahona, May 2023, 8)*
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Watch: "Jesus Christ Appears at the Temple"

Sing: "Easter Hosanna," Children's Songbook, 68

Activity: Watch "Jesus Christ Appears at the Temple".
Discuss what it would have been like to be there when Jesus appeared. How would you have felt?



Tuesday

Teachings about Repentance and Baptism

3 Nephi 11:18–41 & 3 Nephi 12:1–2

Jesus taught about baptism and repentance. He gave His apostles the authority to baptise and taught them that baptism should be performed by immersion and with the proper priesthood authority. He also said, “Ye must repent ... and become as a little child, or ye can in nowise inherit the kingdom of God” (3 Nephi 11:38).

“When Jesus asks you and me to “repent,” He is inviting us to change our mind, our knowledge, our spirit—even the way we breathe. He is asking us to change the way we love, think, serve, spend our time, treat our [spouses], teach our children, and even care for our bodies. Nothing is more liberating, more ennobling, or more crucial to our individual progression than is a regular, daily focus on repentance. Repentance is not an event; it is a process. It is the key to happiness and peace of mind. When coupled with faith, repentance opens our access to the power of the Atonement of Jesus Christ. (Russell M. Nelson, “We Can Do Better and Be Better,” *Ensign* or *Liahona*, May 2019, 67)

Watch: “Jesus Christ Teaches and Gives Power to Baptize”

Sing: “Baptism,” Children’s Songbook, 100

Activity: Listen to the scriptures above in the gospel library. Before listening, give each child a small rock to put in their shoe and have them walk around as they listen. After, remove the rock and discuss how repentance is a gift Christ has given us to remove the burden of sin in our lives and bring us peace.



Wednesday

Teachings about the Higher Law

3 Nephi 12:3–16, 38–44, 3 Nephi 13:1–8, 19–24, 3 Nephi 14:1–5, 21–27

After His resurrection, Christ taught His people in Jerusalem and in America a new and higher law to live by. President Nelson has also invited us to live in a higher and holier way:

“As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are to be examples of how to interact with others—especially when we have differences of opinion. One of the easiest ways to identify a true follower of Jesus Christ is how compassionately that person treats other people. ... The Savior made this clear in His sermons to followers in both hemispheres. “Blessed are the peacemakers,” He said. ... The Savior’s message is clear: His true disciples build, lift, encourage, persuade, and inspire—no matter how difficult the situation. True disciples of Jesus Christ are peacemakers. ... How we treat each other really matters! How we speak to and about others at home, at church, at work, and online really matters. Today, I am asking us to interact with others in a higher, holier way. (Russell M. Nelson, “Peacemakers Needed,” *Liahona*, May 2023, 98–99)

Watch: “Jesus Christ Teaches How to Live the Higher Law”

Sing: “Come, Follow Me,” Hymns, no. 116

Activity: Split up into three groups. Have each group read one of the scripture sets above. Have them draw a picture or act out one law Jesus taught and present it to the family.



Thursday

One Fold and One Shepherd

3 Nephi 15:11–24, 3 Nephi 16

Jesus taught that He was the shepherd and they were the sheep. He loves all of God’s children and wants to gather all of them so there will be, “one fold, and one shepherd”. In the latter-days we can help with this gathering called the Gathering of Israel. One way to do this is to share about the Book of Mormon with others.

“*My dear friends, as an Apostle of the Lord, I invite you to follow our beloved prophet, President Nelson, in flooding the earth with the Book of Mormon. The need is so great; we need to act now. I promise that you will be participating in “the greatest work on earth,” the gathering of Israel, as you are inspired to reach out to those who have been “kept from the truth because they know not where to find it.” They need your testimony and witness of how this book has changed your life and drawn you closer to God, His peace, and His “tidings of great joy.”*

I testify that by divine design the Book of Mormon was prepared in ancient America to come forth to declare God’s word, to bring souls to the Lord Jesus Christ and His restored gospel “this day.” (Ronald A. Rasband, “This Day,” Liahona, Nov. 2022, 27)

Watch: “Jesus Christ Testifies of One Fold and One Shepherd”

Sing: “Dear to the Heart of the Shepherd,” Hymns, no. 221

Activity: In a journal or the front page of a Book of Mormon, write your testimony of the Book of Mormon. If you feel inspired, think of someone you can share a copy of the Book of Mormon with.



Friday

Healing the People

3 Nephi 17:1–10

After a long day of ministering, as Jesus prepared to leave the Nephites, He saw that “they were in tears” and did not want Him to go (3 [Nephi 17:5](#)). Jesus felt love and compassion for the people and He stayed to heal all those who were sick. Jesus still has the power to heal us today!

“*Jesus Christ extends that same invitation to you today. I plead with you to come unto Him so that He can heal you! He will heal you from sin as you repent. He will heal you from sadness and fear. He will heal you from the wounds of this world. Whatever questions or problems you have, the answer is always found in the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Learn more about His Atonement, His love, His mercy, His doctrine, and His restored gospel of healing and progression. Turn to Him! Follow Him! (Russell M. Nelson, “The Answer Is Always Jesus Christ,” Liahona, May 2023, 127)*

Watch: “Jesus Christ Has Compassion and Heals the People”

Sing: “Come unto Jesus,” Hymns, no. 117

Activity: Choose a few favorite songs about Jesus. Sing them together (or get up and dance). What do the lyrics teach you about how Jesus can bring comfort and peace? Younger kids: Write “Jesus Heals” on a bandaid to wear. Tell them Jesus can help them when they feel hurt.



Saturday

Ministering to the Children

3 Nephi 17:11–25

After Jesus healed the sick, He invited the children to come to Him. The Savior “took their little children, one by one, and blessed them” ([3 Nephi 17:21](#)). He prayed and wept for the children. Angels descended from heaven and ministered to the children as they were encircled by fire.

“*Notice that He didn’t say “glance at them” or “casually observe them” or “occasionally take a look in their general direction.” He said to behold them. To me that means that we should embrace them with our eyes and with our hearts; we should see and appreciate them for who they really are: spirit children of our Heavenly Father, with divine attributes (M. Russell Ballard, “Great Shall Be the Peace of Thy Children,” Ensign, Apr. 1994).*”

Watch: “Jesus Christ Prays and Angels Minister to the Children”

Sing: “I Feel My Savior’s Love,” Children’s Songbook, 74

Activity: Look at a picture of Jesus with the children (the Come, Follow Me manual has some great ones on page 203 & 208). Discuss together how you know Jesus loves you.



Sunday

Introduction of the Sacrament

3 Nephi 18:1–12 3 Nephi 20:1–9

Although Jesus had only a short time with the Nephites, He took the time to again administer the sacrament to the people. The sacrament can be an important ordinance to us like it is to Jesus.

“*Each week, in partaking of the sacrament, we covenant to always remember Him. Drawing on the nearly 400 scripture references to the word remember, here are six ways we can always remember Him. First, we can always remember Him by having confidence in His covenants, promises, and assurances. ... Second, we can always remember Him by gratefully acknowledging His hand throughout our lives. ... Third, we can always remember Him by trusting when the Lord assures us, “He who has repented of his sins, the same is forgiven, and I, the Lord, remember them no more” ... Fourth, He invites us to remember that He is always welcoming us home. ... Fifth, we can always remember Him on the Sabbath through the sacrament. ... Finally, sixth, our Savior invites us to always remember Him as He always remembers us. (Gerrit W. Gong, “Always Remember Him,” Ensign or Liahona, May 2016, 108–10)*”

Watch: “Jesus Christ Introduces the Sacrament to the People”

Sing: “As Now We Take the Sacrament,” Hymns, no. 169

Activity: Have everyone draw a picture of their favorite story of Jesus. Staple them together into a book. Keep this book at home or in your church bag to look at each week and help you remember Jesus.