Indian Ridge Ward

August 2020 - Taking A Walk With The Lord

What if we could take a 30-minute walk with Jesus? What would we do?! What would He say to us? Would it be an interview or a conversation? Maybe it would be a simple chat about life and how we feel as a young man or young woman. Maybe it would be a doctrinal discussion. Possibly He would tell us



a story. Or maybe we would talk for 29 minutes and He would actively and lovingly listen.

We can obtain spiritual power and feelings of gratitude when we recognize and acknowledge the hand of the Lord. Sometimes it's easy to see His hand and other times not so much.

A wise Church leader has said on more than one occasion: "If we are looking for an opportunity to be offended, we will find it. It's up to us on how we will react to someone else's words or actions. We make the choice on how we will respond and feel. In a similar tone, if we strive to see the hand of God in our lives, we will be able to do so. It depends on what we're looking for."

I invite you to take a walk. Or a figurative walk from your chair at home. Or maybe an actual walk. This is your chance to ask Him a question. Then listen for the answer. The answers could come while you are on the walk. And they

may come to you later while you are doing simple tasks around the house or yard. And likely more inspiration will come as you are reading and pondering the scriptures. The answers will come as you look for moments to see and hear Him.

Then allow the Lord to be part of your day. In prayer, invite Him to join you each morning. (Alma 37:36-37) Pray for ears to hear the whisperings of His voice. Then go about the day and be prepared for subtle or not-so-subtle thoughts to come into your mind.

"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden . . . and ye shall find rest unto your souls (and answers to your questions) Learn of me. For I am Jesus Christ."

Love, Your Bishopric



Relief Society

"We get so busy in the present and we're always looking forward to the future, but sometimes we forget to look back," said Sister Joy D. Jones, Primary general president of the Church.

"Sometimes we forget to remember. And yet, we build upon all of the things that were done in the past and all of those wonderful people who sacrificed so much," she said.

As president over the Church's worldwide Primary program that serves more than one million children, Sister Jones expressed her assurance in the vital role that adults play to help young ones understand and develop the qualities that early pioneers demonstrated while making their way to the western United States.

"We can live the characteristics that we so honor and respect in our early Saints: courage and faith, love, resilience and that strength that they exuded every day of their lives, one day at a time," said President Jones.

"As we live those characteristics, we are sharing those things with our children, we're exemplifying them," she added.

Sister Jones said that in addition to setting an example for children, adults should teach their young ones about their family history.

"The early pioneers relied on the Savior ... and today, as modern-day pioneers, we rely on Him," she continued.

"As children understand their families ... they're stronger and more resilient. They're more grounded.

"They realize that they're part of something bigger than themselves — that they have an important place and an important role to play," she said.

Sister Jones explained that when people choose to face challenges with faith, "We can reach out to others, we can serve those around us as they did and we can rely on our Savior Jesus Christ, just as they did.

"The early pioneers relied on the Savior ... and today, as modern-day pioneers, we rely on Him," she continued. Latter-day Saint Leaders Honor Pioneers of the Past and Present (newsroom.churchofjesuschrist.org)

Sisters, you are continually in our thoughts and prayers. We love you! Please contact us, Susan, Chyrrel, or Marilynn if you know of any concerns. Please continue to call, text, or send a note to those whom you minister. Let them know that they are in your thoughts and prayers.

With Love, Susan, Chyrrel and Marilynn

Young Men

Our Young Men are awesome, and they stand ready to help anyone in need. If ward members have outdoor service projects, please contact Greg Miles.



Young Women

"And it came to place that I, Nephi, said unto my Father: I will go and do things which the Lord hath commanded, for I know that the Lord giveth no commandments unto the children of men, save He shall prepare a way for them that they may accomplish the thing which He hath commandeth them"

1 Nephi 3:7

We were able to gather our Young Women together for a mini-quarantine Girls Camp.

We are so thankful for all of the prayerful, careful planning and participation that went into ensuring that we were able to enjoy one another, abiding by social guidelines, and be touched and uplifted by the spirit.

We hiked, we had a cake-decorating contest, we were taught and edified during a zoom fireside, had a backyard movie night, were able to serve our neighbor and dear friends, and then finished with a testimony meeting that reminded us of the strength and beauty that is the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



Primary

A note from the Primary Presidency

This month we would like to give to each of you, younger and older, a message from President Nelson:

"You are a child of God. God gives us commandments to bless us and bring us joy. Sometimes people pick which commandments they will keep and which ones they won't. Trying to obey all of God's commandments will:

Bless you with light and joy. Help you be free from harmful habits. Protect your Body. Protect your Spirit.

Remember: God and His angels are always there to help you."

We love you and pray for you. Love, The Primary Presidency

Happy Birthday:

We all miss wishing the Primary children "Happy Birthday", and singing a special song to them. When the need to stay home from church is over, we will celebrate the birthdays that we have missed. Until then, here are the August birthdays, we hope that each and every birthday is an awesome day.

Penney Mounteer - August 7 Kinley Higginson - August 24 Christian Bludworth - August 26

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Happy Birthday!

August 2020

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- 3 Greg Miles Maria North
- 5 Gayle Hansen
- 6 Al Walkenhorst
- 7 Penelope Mounteer
- 8 Rex Cook
- 9 Darrell Clegg John Strong
- 10 Nicole Cordova Karissa Hatton Crystal Weight
- 12 Mike Christensen Ann Faddis
- 17 Nicole Miles
- 18 Marie Rawlings
- 21 Keven Eby Phillip Heiner Amanda Rich
- 22 Jim Christensen Jocelyn Hauber Florence Nunley Eric Phillips
- 24 Kinley Higginison
- 25 Richard Hackett Teri Rousseau
- 26 Christian Bludworth Lori Hanson Quinn Parker
- 27 Tom Hook
- 29 Justin Hatton
- 31 Rick Deming Nancy Parsons

September 2020

- 2 Bryan Benson Max Wilson
- 3 Jordan North
- 5 Chris Mounteer
- 6 Reiko Hilton















