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Family Home Evening Materials

Theme: Lorenzo Snow

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### **5 tips for successful Family Home Evenings**

- 1. Pray.** Pray about the needs of your family as you consider topics for home evenings, and pray as you prepare.
- 2. Prioritize.** Make Family Home Evening a priority; learn to say no to other activities.
- 3. Involvement.** Involve everyone in the family; help little children take part.
- 4. Commitment.** Be committed and be consistent. Set a designated time and stick to it. Holding Family Home Evening on a weekly basis takes dedication and planning on the part of all family members.
- 5. Relax** and enjoy it. The most important thing your children will remember is the spirit they feel in your family home evenings and activities. Be sure the atmosphere is one of love, understanding, and enjoyment.



# Lorenzo Snow

## Quote:

“I have not sought this responsibility, but if it b Thy will, I now present myself before Thee for Thy guidance and instruction. I ask that Thou should show me what Thou wouldst have me do. . .”

“I do not want this administration to be known as Lorenzo Snow’s administration, but as God’s in and through Lorenzo Snow.”

(Lorenzo Snow as quoted in Richard Neitzel Holzapfel and William W. Slaughter, *Prophets of the Latter-days*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2003], p. 65.)

## Song:

“Called to Serve,” *Hymns*, 174

## Scripture:

And ye shall go forth in the power of my Spirit, preaching my gospel, two by two, in my name, lifting up your voices as with the sound of a trump, declaring my word like unto angels of God.

(Doctrine and Covenants 42:6)

## Highlights from the Life of Lorenzo Snow:

1814: Born in Mantua, Ohio

1831: Heard Joseph Smith preach

1836: Baptized in Kirtland, Ohio

1837: Mission to Ohio

1838–1839: Mission to Illinois

1849: Ordained an Apostle

1849–1852: Mission to Italy

1864: Mission to Hawaii

1893: Became the first Temple President of the Salt Lake Temple

1898: Became the President of the Church

1901: Died Salt Lake City (age 87)

(Richard Neitzel Holzapfel and William W. Slaughter, *Prophets of the Latter-days*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2003], p. 64–5.)

## Stories:

The Snows’ ten-acre field was only a short distance from the house, enclosed by a tightly woven willow fence. When Lorenzo picked up some dirt to see if the ground was dry enough to plow, he heard a noise from the bushes. Looking up, he saw a huge bull. The frightened boy searched for an escape. A white oak tree stood ahead, and Lorenzo got to it just as the bull crashed through the fence.

It was cold sitting in that tree with the bull pawing the ground underneath him and slashing the air with its long horns. The wind went through Lorenzo in spite of his coat. He kept looking to the house to see if help was coming. With his teeth chattering and his hands numb, he prayed: "Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for all your blessings. And please, dear Lord, tell my father to come and help me." Just then his father came riding up on his white horse, carrying a big bullwhip. The bull hated the whip. One angry crack and the bull let out a mad roar, then went running until he was out of sight. Lorenzo's father climbed the tree and got Lorenzo down, half-frozen and scared to death.

(Linda Cory Robinson, *Boys Who Became Prophets*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1998], p. 30.)

While serving a mission to Hawaii, Lorenzo nearly drowned in a terrifying accident at sea. While traveling between two islands, Lorenzo was riding in a small boat with several others when they were suddenly caught in a storm. The strong winds sent mountainous waves racing toward their boat "swifter than a race horse." When one especially big wave came by, their boat flipped over, tossing the men in all directions.

When other members of the group finally came up from the churning water, coughing and gasping for air, Lorenzo was nowhere in sight. They searched frantically for several minutes, unable to find him. Then, one of the Hawaiian natives felt Lorenzo's body beneath the water and pulled him up. Lorenzo was not breathing and appeared to be dead.

They hurried Lorenzo to shore, where the Elders administered to him, pleading with Heavenly Father "to spare his life that he might return to his family and home." Working quickly, they placed Lorenzo's body over an empty barrel and rolled him back and forth until the water came out of his lungs. A small crowd had gathered on shore to watch their efforts. They thought that any help was useless—he was already dead.

Then, the elders felt inspired to give him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, a technique rarely used at that time. Soon they noticed a slight wink in Lorenzo's eyes, and he began to respond. Lorenzo was alive! Nearly an hour had passed since their boat had capsized, but he was going to be all right.

(Susan Arrington Madsen, *The Lord Needed a Prophet*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1990], p. 78.)

## **Activities:**

Play "Seek and Find."

Form a circle of seated people. One person in the middle must be blindfolded. Each player is assigned a different gospel word, for example, honesty, faith, etc. The blindfolded person then calls out two words and tries to touch the players as they exchange seats. Anyone caught is then blindfolded and joins the blindfolded person in the center.

Application: Missionaries need to find those seeking to find the truth. Once a person is converted, they also should become a missionary. Remind the family that President Snow was a great missionary and served many missions.

(Alma Heaton, *The LDS Game Book*, [Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1968], p. 299.)

## Refreshment

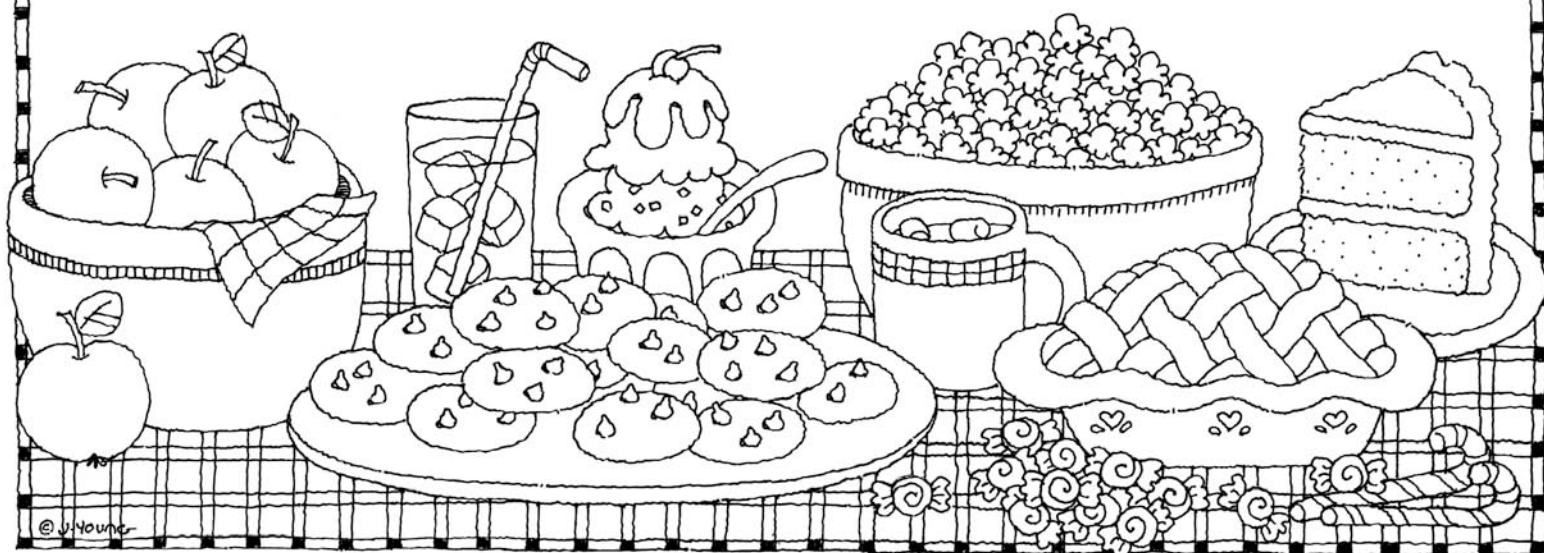
### Pioneer Soda Bread

- 3 cups flour
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 1/2 cups raisins or currants (or a combination of the two)
- 1 1/2 cups buttermilk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl; stir until a soft dough forms. Turn dough onto a floured surface, and knead just until it makes a smooth ball. Form dough into a dome shape. Make a cross on top with a sharp knife. Place on a greased baking pan, and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

Note: Bread may also be baked in a Dutch oven, using 9 briquettes on the bottom and 15 on the top of a 12-inch oven.

(Paula Julander and Joanne Milner, *Utah State Fare*, [Salt Lake City: Shadow Mountain, 1995], p. 102.)



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