

## Primary Program 2012

### Choose the Right

Opening Hymn:

JP: Junior Primary (22)

(Do What is Right,

SP: Senior Primary (15)

Come Follow Me,

Teach me to Walk in the Light, or

Know this, that every soul is free)

Song: As a Child of God

JP: Our Primary theme this year is Choose the Right

SP: Joshua 24:15 says, "Choose you this day whom ye will serve; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

JP: The pioneers were good examples of this. They had to be very brave to choose the right.

JP: Agency is the Gift to choose for ourselves.

JP: In the premortal life, I chose to follow God's plan.

SP: Jesus Christ created the earth as a place where I can learn to choose the right.

SP: (Pioneer story – a good example of agency/God's Plan)

Song: Choose the Right (*Learn in German*)

JP: When we choose the Right, We are blessed

SP: Mosiah 2:22 says "If ye do keep his commandments he doth bless you and prosper you." This means....

SP: (Pioneer Story – someone who was blessed for choosing the right)

Song: Stand for the Right

JP: Living Prophets teach me to choose the right

JP: The first Presidency and the Twelve Apostles are prophets.

SP: God's prophets and apostles speak to us in general conference.

JP: I am blessed when I choose to follow the prophet.

SP: The pioneers knew that Joseph Smith was a prophet. Even though sometimes it was difficult, they did what he said. There are many, many stories of early church members being obedient. They knew that if they followed the prophet's counsel, they would be blessed.

SP: (Pioneer Story – someone who followed the prophet's counsel)

Song: I'll Say No(?) Or maybe a pioneer song?

JP: Jesus Christ teaches me to choose the right

JP: Jesus Christ is the perfect example for me.

JP: Jesus taught me the right way to live.

SP: (Pioneer Story – a story about faith in Jesus)

Song: When I am baptized

JP: I choose the right when I am baptized and confirmed a member of the church.

JP: When I am baptized and confirmed, I am following Jesus's example.

SP: (Pioneer Story – a story about baptism)

Song: Nephi's Courage

JP: I choose the right by living gospel principles

SP: 1 Nephi 3:7 says: "I will go and do the 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 commandeth them."

JP: I pray to Heavenly Father for the strength to do what is right.

SP: (Pioneer Story – a story that can be likened to Nephi)

Song: Pioneer Children were quick to obey

JP: Our pioneer ancestors believed in the words of their living prophet, Joseph Smith.

JP: Joseph Smith shared his testimony.

SP: Dallin H. Oaks said, "It is not enough to study or reenact the accomplishments of our pioneers. We need to identify the great, eternal principles they applied to achieve all they achieved for our benefit and then apply those principles to the challenges of our day. In that way we honor their pioneering efforts, and we also reaffirm our heritage and strengthen its capacity to bless our own posterity and those millions of our Heavenly Father's children who have yet to hear and accept the gospel of Jesus Christ. We are all pioneers in doing so."

JP: We all get to be pioneers today by choosing the right.

SP: Elder Perry said, "There is something about reviewing the lessons of the past to prepare us to face the challenges of the future. What a glorious legacy of faith, courage, and ingenuity those noble early Mormon pioneers have left for us to build upon. . . .

"Embracing the gospel resulted in a complete change of life for them."

JP: We can be more like the pioneers by being kind to others, by fasting, by praying for help, by being honest and reverent, and by having the courage to do what is right.

Song: I'm Trying to be like Jesus

JP: I choose to fill my life with things that invite the spirit.

JP: Having good friends will help me to choose the right.

JP: I should read, listen to and look at things that are pleasing to Heavenly Father.

JP: I should do things on the Sabbath that will help me stay close to Heavenly Father.

SP: (Pioneer Story)

All Children Stand and Say: 13<sup>th</sup> Article of Faith

Closing Hymn: I'll Go Where you want me to go