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Family Home Evening Materials

Theme: Brigham Young

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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.

Brigham Young

Thought:

He was the wisest, kindest, and most loving of fathers. His constant thoughtfulness for our happiness and well-being endeared him to all of us. . . . I shall always be grateful that I was born his daughter.

(Clarissa H. Young, as quoted in Francis M. Gibbons, *Dynamic Disciples, Prophets of God*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1996], p. 51.)

Song:

“The Handcart Song,” *Children’s Songbook*, p. 220.

Scripture:

What I the Lord have spoken, I have spoken, and I excuse not myself; and though the heavens and the earth pass away, my word shall not pass away, but shall all be fulfilled, whether by mine own voice or by the voice of my servants, it is the same.

(Doctrine and Covenants 1:38)

Highlights from the Life of Brigham Young:

1801: Born in Whitingham, Vermont

1830: Introduced to the Book of Mormon

1832: Baptized

1835: Ordained an Apostle

1840: Mission to England

1844: Becomes the leader of the Church

1850: Becomes the Governor of Utah Territory

1853: Breaks ground for the Salt Lake Temple

1877: Died in Salt Lake City (age 76)

(Richard Neitzel Holzapfel and William W. Slaughter, *Prophets of the Latter-days*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2003], p. 22.)

Story:

The second daughter of the family, Fanny, was about thirteen years old when Brigham was born. Because their mother was sick with consumption, Fanny became the substitute mother for the family. Brigham would cling to her and cry if anyone else tried to hold him or take care of him. She carried him on her hip as she did the chores, even while she milked the cow.

As a boy, Brigham was teased about making a path between his bed and the bread cupboard. Always having to go to bed hungry, he would get up for extra slices of bread and butter to snack on at night. In later years, after his was married and had a family of his own, Brigham made sure that the cupboards were full of crackers, fruit, and molasses so that his children need not be hungry between meals.

Brigham’s family were very poor, but they were rich with love. After chores, the family would gather around their father and listen to him read stories from the Bible. Music was also

important to them, and the children learned to sing solos and duets.

In Brigham Young's day, not many children who lived in the country went to school for very long. Few children learned to spell well. In fact, if a person could spell well and do simple arithmetic, he could become a school teacher in a country school.

Although Brigham went to school only eleven and a half days in his whole life, he did learn to read. In fact, he became one of the most intelligent and well-read man of his day. He learned primarily from the things around him—his home, the forest, and the animals. He learned to make bread, wash dishes, milk cows, and make butter.

(Lynda Cory Robinson, *Boys Who Became Prophets*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1998], p. 10.)

Activity:

Give everyone a paper and pencil. Have them write the letters BRIGHAM vertically down the paper. Give each person a set amount of time to write a word beginning with each letter, that describes Brigham Young.

(adapted from Alma Heaton, *The LDS Game Book*, [Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1968], p. 35, 273.)

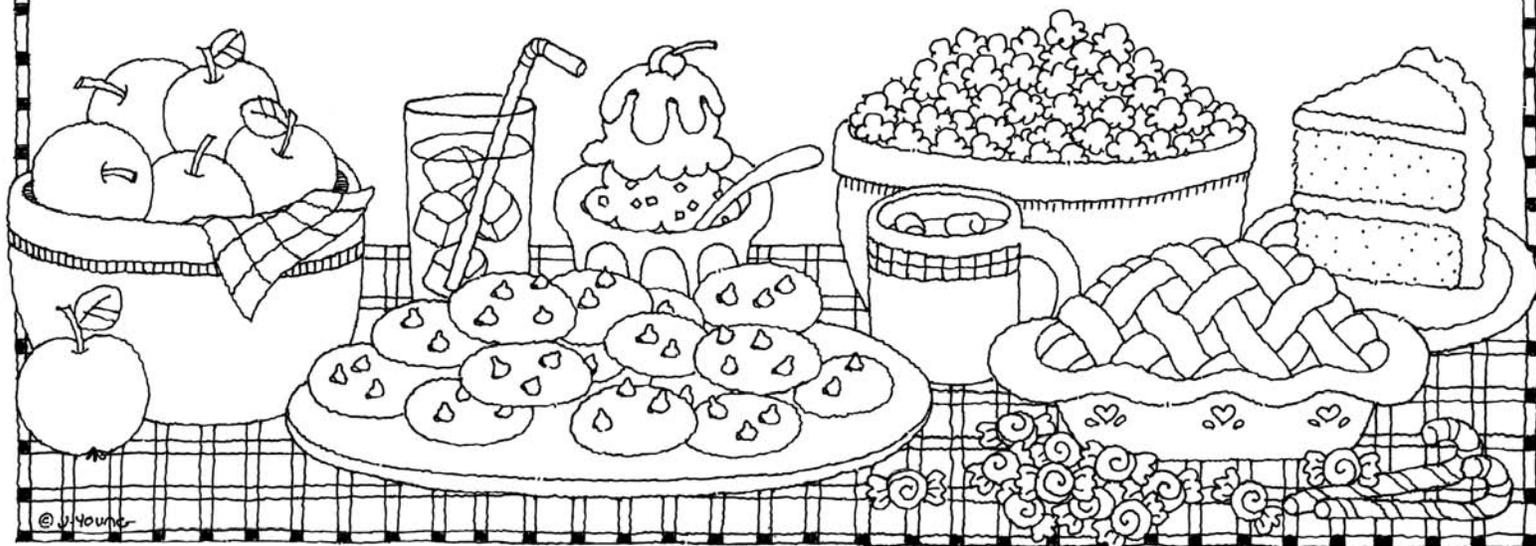
Refreshment

Cheese Spoon Bread

1 cup milk
1 cup yellow cornmeal
1 cup cold milk
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup butter or margarine
1 1/2 cups sharp Cheddar cheese, shredded
4 eggs, separated

Heat 1 cup milk in heavy saucepan. Combine cornmeal, cold milk, and salt. Pour into hot milk, stirring constantly. Cook about 5 minutes, stirring frequently, until thickened. Remove from heat; stir in butter and cheese. Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon-colored. Stir small amount of hot cornmeal mixture into egg yolks; then add egg mixture to remaining cornmeal, stirring constantly. Carefully fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour mixture into well buttered 2-quart casserole. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes at 375 degrees. Serve immediately with butter or margarine, if desired. Good with honey or maple syrup. 6 to 8 Servings.

(Winnifred C. Jardine, *Mormon Country Cooking*, [Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1980], p. 46.)



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