



strengthening
our home
and family

Deseret Book®

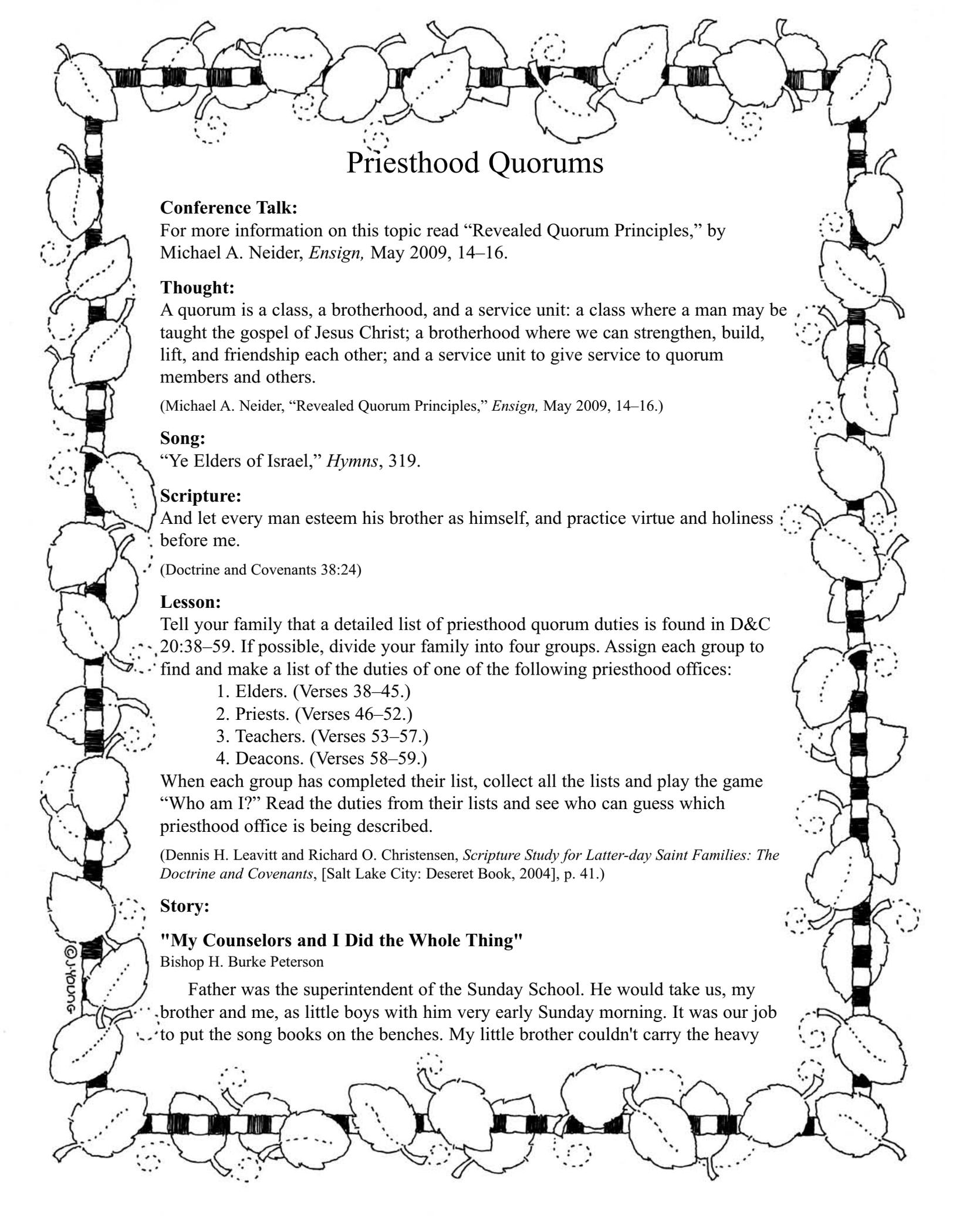
Family Home Evening Materials

Theme: Priesthood Quorums

Packet #080209

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.



Priesthood Quorums

Conference Talk:

For more information on this topic read “Revealed Quorum Principles,” by Michael A. Neider, *Ensign*, May 2009, 14–16.

Thought:

A quorum is a class, a brotherhood, and a service unit: a class where a man may be taught the gospel of Jesus Christ; a brotherhood where we can strengthen, build, lift, and friendship each other; and a service unit to give service to quorum members and others.

(Michael A. Neider, “Revealed Quorum Principles,” *Ensign*, May 2009, 14–16.)

Song:

“Ye Elders of Israel,” *Hymns*, 319.

Scripture:

And let every man esteem his brother as himself, and practice virtue and holiness before me.

(Doctrine and Covenants 38:24)

Lesson:

Tell your family that a detailed list of priesthood quorum duties is found in D&C 20:38–59. If possible, divide your family into four groups. Assign each group to find and make a list of the duties of one of the following priesthood offices:

1. Elders. (Verses 38–45.)
2. Priests. (Verses 46–52.)
3. Teachers. (Verses 53–57.)
4. Deacons. (Verses 58–59.)

When each group has completed their list, collect all the lists and play the game “Who am I?” Read the duties from their lists and see who can guess which priesthood office is being described.

(Dennis H. Leavitt and Richard O. Christensen, *Scripture Study for Latter-day Saint Families: The Doctrine and Covenants*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 2004], p. 41.)

Story:

"My Counselors and I Did the Whole Thing"

Bishop H. Burke Peterson

Father was the superintendent of the Sunday School. He would take us, my brother and me, as little boys with him very early Sunday morning. It was our job to put the song books on the benches. My little brother couldn't carry the heavy

books, so I carried the books and he lifted them off. . . .

I remember vividly my first experience passing the sacrament. I was frightened. I was afraid I would make a mistake. Mother had dressed me with a tie and the very best clothes I had. I was impressed with the opportunity to pass the sacrament. . . .

When I was called as a deacons quorum president, I had a sit-down conversation with the bishopric. They made it a very important call. When I took charge of my first meeting I was afraid, but confident because of the way I was called to preside over the quorum. Later I was president of the teachers quorum, but one of the greatest lessons I learned was as president of the elders quorum. I learned about delegation and brotherhood.

The first party we planned, my counselors and I did the whole thing. When we got to the party there were only two or three others. From then on we delegated and were able to accomplish a great deal. One summer the quorum built a house in three months. The quorum built the whole thing and it was sold to help a boy on a mission. . . .

I know the Lord guides his church and its leaders. There were times, as bishop, when I felt impressed to do something or see somebody. I didn't know why until I did what I was impressed to do and then I could see I was needed. There is a lot to be learned about obedience.

(Leon R. Hartshorn, *Outstanding Stories by General Authorities*, vol. 3 [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1974].)

Activity:

Play “Organization.”

The first player draws a head and neck without permitting the others to see what he has drawn. He then folds the paper and passes it to the next player to draw the body and trunk. The paper is again folded and passed for the next player to draw the legs and feet. After the “work of art” has been completed, the paper is unfolded and the creation is put on display.

Application: When churches are not properly organized they “go all to pieces.” The head bone should be connected to the neck bone, and so on.

(Alma Heaton, *The LDS Game Book*, [Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1968], p. 52.)

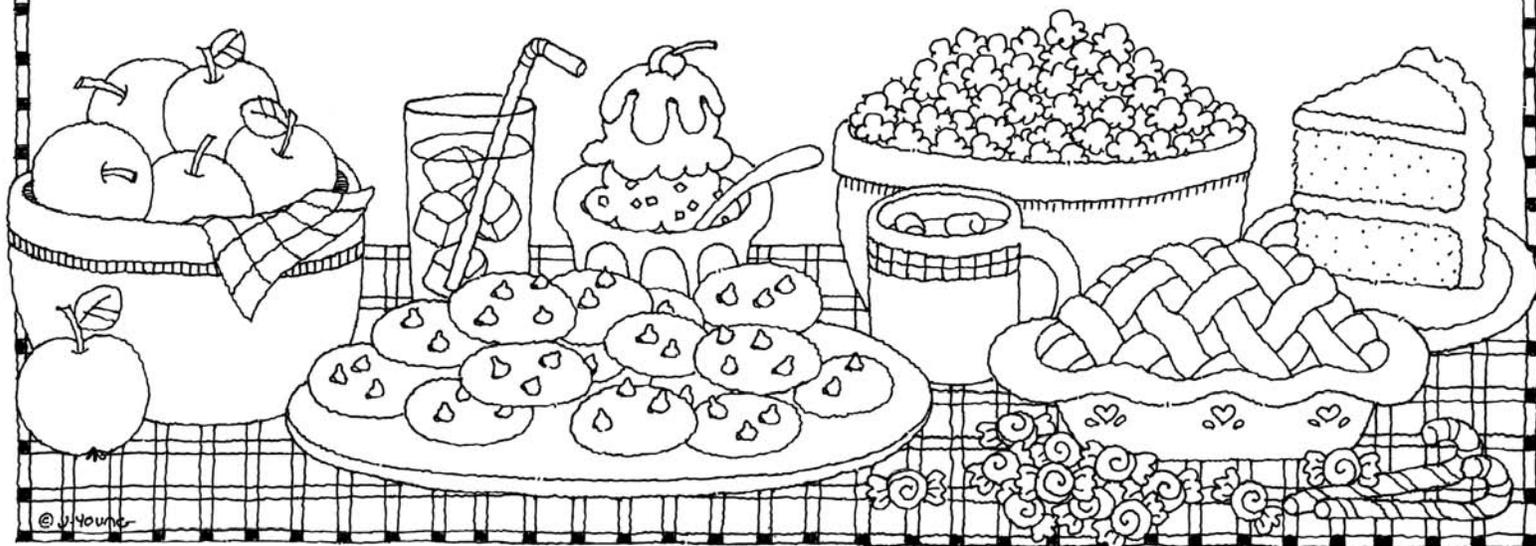
Refreshment

Frozen Delight

- 64 Nilla Wafers®, divided
- 1 cup baked coconut, toasted
- 1/2 cup almonds, toasted, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 4 cups (1 quart) lime sherbet, softened
- 4 cups (1 quart) orange sherbet, softened
- 4 cups (1 quart) raspberry sherbet, softened

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a Ziploc bag, finely crush 37 of the 64 wafers with a rolling pin or cup. Mix wafer crumbs, coconut, almonds, and butter until well-blended. Press firmly into the bottom of a 9x13-inch baking dish or pan. Bake 8 to 10 minutes until lightly browned; cool. Spread a layer of lime sherbet over the cooled crust. Freeze until firm, then spread a layer of orange sherbet and a layer of raspberry sherbet, freezing between each layer. Freeze final dessert for at least 4 hours. Remove from freezer about 10 minutes prior to serving; let stand at room temperature to soften slightly. Cut into squares. Top each square with a wafer or two. Store any leftover dessert in the freezer. Serves 12 to 24.

(Jill McKenzie, *52 Weeks of Proven Recipes for Picky Kids*, [Salt Lake City: Shadow Mountain, 2008], p. 53.)



clip this coupon and save

20% OFF
AT DESERET BOOK

On this week's selected FHE titles:

*Men of Influence: The Potential of the Priesthood to Lift the World
Behind Every Good Man*

Or any regular priced item on Monday
(excludes scriptures, Church distributed items and Willow Tree figurines)

FHE 4909757



expires 8/15/2009