

Preparation Guide for May's Devotionals



Am I willing to enter into a covenant to serve Him all the remainder of my days?

Week #1 - Living in Covenant - What Did it Mean to the Hebrews?

Week #2 - Why Should I Want To Live in Covenant Today?

Week #3 - How to Enter into Covenant and What Do I Promise?

Week #4 - Making a Plan for Accountability

This question that Pat Chadwick asked me to explore and use as our theme, **“Am I willing to enter into a covenant to serve him all the remainder of my days?”** brings me back to my childhood days shortly after I was baptized.

For three years I learned from the book “Living in Covenant” by Annette Burkart, my aunt. This book has influenced my life as much as our three books of Scripture and is still useful even today. When I want to get back to basics, and see the simplicity of the gospel as King Benjamin and Nephi reference (**II Nephi 13:3-5** and **Mosiah 1:86**), this upper elementary school curriculum is a great place to look.

LOOK at what happens when you and God share a covenant relationship!

Psalm 111:4-9 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion. He hath given meat unto them that fear him; He will ever [always] be mindful of His covenant. He hath shown His people the power of His works, that He may give them the heritage of the nations. The works of His hands are verity and judgment [or faithful and just]; all His commandments are sure. They stand fast forever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness. He sent redemption [Jesus, the New Covenant] unto His people; He hath commanded His covenant forever; holy and reverend [or holy and awesome] is His name.

Again, Verse 5 – **He will ever be mindful of his covenant.**

Eighth challenge in the guide prepared by the Patriarchs of the church:

Am I willing to enter into a covenant with my Lord to serve Him all the remainder of my days?

Lord, who shall abide in the tabernacle? Who shall dwell in Thy holy hill of Zion? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart. He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor. In whose eyes a vile person is condemned; but he honoreth them that fear the Lord; sweareth not falsely to hurt any man, and changeth not. He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved. Psalm 15:1-5

Action: Prepare a written plan of the manner in which you will live your life from this day forward. Include statements about the temporal, physical and spiritual aspects of how your life will be lived. Sign this covenant and read it at least once per week.

This Month I will remember my baptism and the first covenant I made with the Father. I will set goals for this week, this month, this year, that will be in line with my written “life plan.” I will record the progress of this “covenant” each week.

My Plan to Accomplish this Discipline:

Week #1

Week #2

Week #3

Week #4

My Partner to Assist Me & Help Me Be Accountable Is: _____

Self Evaluation:

How Am I Doing & What Do I Need to Do to Be More Successful:
