

## Preparation Guide For May 2020 Devotionals



### **Action Given to Us by the Patriarchs of the Church: Is My Own House in Order?**

**D&C 90:6f** And now a commandment I give unto you, if you will be delivered: you shall set in order your own house, for there are many things that are not right in your house.

Hymn = Let Us Pray for One Another =  
“Pray in faith and pray unceasing, To the God we love and trust, For our prayers are much availing If we walk upright and just; Be not weary of exhorting; Heed the lessons of each day; and that we may be unwavering, for each other let us pray.”

For Your Consideration = To be constant in prayer is a good way to establish a home that is a “Godly Home,” one where the Savior is always a welcome guest.

There is much truth in the statement, “The family who prays together stays together.” Prayer is a good starting place for us to set all in order: ourselves in order, our marriages in order and our homes in order.

**D&C 85:36b** Organize yourselves; prepare every needful thing, and establish a house, even a house of prayer, a house of fasting, a house of faith, a house of learning, a house of glory, a house of order, a house of God.

We can pray in faith and confidence because Jesus Christ our Savior lives.

**D&C 76:3g** And, now, after the many testimonies which have been given of him, this is the testimony, last of all, which we give of him, that he lives; for we saw him, even on the right hand of God;

Death could not hold Him. He dwells in the heavens and hears our prayers and answers them.

The line to heaven is never busy and I promise you, you have instant messaging and text too. If you write out a prayer to Him it’s like a text, it goes right to him; of course, no cell phone is needed. If you even think a prayer, it goes to him. Prayer really is instant messaging! No prayer goes unanswered.

**Psalms 40:1** I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

He always answers us. We all love those yes answers, but sometimes—like any good parent—he has to tell us no, or wait awhile. Then our faith is tested. In your time of testing or trial hold firm and remember he is your “Loving Heavenly Father.” Continue to pray unto Him.

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Romans 12:12 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer.

He is the God we love and trust because He is Powerful, Pure, Holy, Unchanging, Loving and Faithful. He is so caring He even knows when one hair falls from your head. You can trust Him for all.

Matthew 10:27 And the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not, therefore; ye are of more value than many sparrows.

Pray, Fast, Prepare your heart so that if He came today you would have room for Him! Do not be disheartened if you have to wait awhile for your prayers to be answered. God hears your prayers and He will answer them in due time.

Your prayers are powerful and they come up before God as sweet incense. Your prayers are important and they are sweet unto Him. Let us continue to pray for one another and be unwavering in our prayer life.

Revelation 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

My Sisters, we know we live in the Last Days and the time is short before the Lord comes in His Glory. He is calling us to be transformed and prepared. We must make changes in our lives. I am struggling to do that in my own life; I see things that need to change—things I need to give up. Things that I need to add, like more studying and prayer. It is hard to make these changes, but I feel a new determination to do this. Oh how terrible it will be to have the Lord come and set up His Kingdom and not be allowed to be a part of it. Can you really imagine what it would be like to be left standing outside of that door? Let us not be slothful, but try with all our might to become that “Bride of Christ” he is calling us to be. Let us set ourselves and our homes in order.

Also See: James 5:16, D&C 85:16a-f, D&C 95:1a, D&C 4:2-2b, D&C 26:3d-g, Psalms 66:19-20, Ephesians 6:18, Philippians 4:6, James 5:16, 1 Peter 3:12, Psalms 55:16-17, 22, Alma 16:219-222

**Third thing listed in the guide prepared by the Patriarchs of the church:**

**Is my house in order?**

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**Action: Sit down as a family and discuss the needs of the family. Pray earnestly together for each other, having family prayer each day.**

**This Month I Plan to sit down with my family and discuss the following needs of our family:** \_\_\_\_\_

**This Month I Plan to join together with my family, in daily earnest prayer for each member of my family, at the following times:**

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**My Plan to Accomplish this Discipline:**

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**Week #1**

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**Week #2**

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**Week #3**

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**Week #4**

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**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:**

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