

Week 1 : "The Family: A Proclamation to the World" came from God to help my Family.

Identify the Doctrine: Print off the graphics of the Ten Commandments, scriptures and the Proclamation to the Family. Before primary, place these on your board to make one large graphic. Cut out the two puzzle sheets. You will be building a puzzle on top of the graphic. Each puzzle piece reveals a part of the weekly theme: **"The Family: A Proclamation to the World" came from God to help my Family.**

Divide the primary into two teams. Explain that there are two objects of this game. One is to guess what the 3 objects are under the clue pieces. The second is to be the first team to place all the pieces in order to reveal what we will be talking about today. Call on one child to come forward. Ask them to pick a puzzle piece, read it and place it on the board. Ask if they can guess the three objects. Eventually you might need to help them put the puzzle pieces in order. Once they are in order, have the group read it out loud. Explain that the three objects were sent through prophets from God to help our families.

Encourage Understanding: Explain that all families are not the same. We have a packet called "What is a Family?". This is about a small duck who wants to know why all the families are different on the farm. For example: living with grandparents, adopted, etc. This will be on sale for \$2.25 during October. You can also tell your own story or find one in the *Friend*.

Song Guessing Game: This is pretty similar to the official outline with just a small tweak. Keep the same teams as divided above. Bring a large metal bowl and two spoons to work as their game bell or buzzer. Place the bowl and spoons on a table in the front. Print and cut out the clue cards.

- Call up one child from each team. Explain that you will be reading a statement from "The Family: A Proclamation to the World." Tell them that they need to hit the bowl as soon as they can think of a song that goes with that statement. Once they reveal their song, have the entire primary sing along.
- If neither child can think of a song (Most likely during Junior Primary) play name that tune. Ask the pianist to play the song written on the card until the children can guess the title of the song. I have chosen the songs, but you are welcome to change those if you think of a better one. Continue to play until all the statement cards have been read, songs have been guessed and sung.

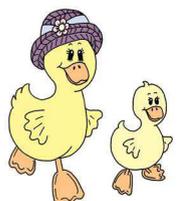
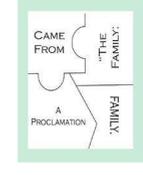
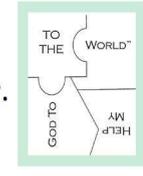
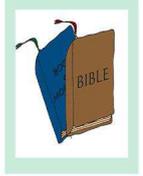
Continue with the official outline by doing the following: "Testify that our families will be blessed as we follow the teachings in the family proclamation."

For Additional Help or Sub packets, the following are on sale during October.

"What is a Family"; "The Creation"; "The Ten Commandments"; "I can help others"; "Love one Another"; "Noah's Ark" and "I can work hard".

Remember to join our Hatch Patch FACEGROUP page to find out about FREE packet days.

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THE FAMILY

A PROCLAMATION TO THE WORLD

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*W*E, THE FIRST PRESIDENCY and the Council of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, solemnly proclaim that marriage between a man and a woman is ordained of God and that the family is central to the Creator's plan for the eternal destiny of His children.

ALL HUMAN BEINGS—male and female—are created in the image of God. Each is a beloved spirit son or daughter of heavenly parents, and, as such, each has a divine nature and destiny. Gender is an essential characteristic of individual premortal, mortal, and eternal identity and purpose.

IN THE PREMORTAL REALM, spirit sons and daughters knew and worshipped God as their Eternal Father and accepted His plan by which His children could obtain a physical body and gain earthly experience to progress toward perfection and ultimately realize their divine destiny as heirs of eternal life. The divine plan of happiness enables family relationships to be perpetuated beyond the grave. Sacred ordinances and covenants available in holy temples make it possible for individuals to return to the presence of God and for families to be united eternally.

THE FIRST COMMANDMENT that God gave to Adam and Eve pertained to their potential for parenthood as husband and wife. We declare that God's commandment for His children to multiply and replenish the earth remains in force. We further declare that God has commanded that the sacred powers of procreation are to be employed only between man and woman, lawfully wedded as husband and wife.

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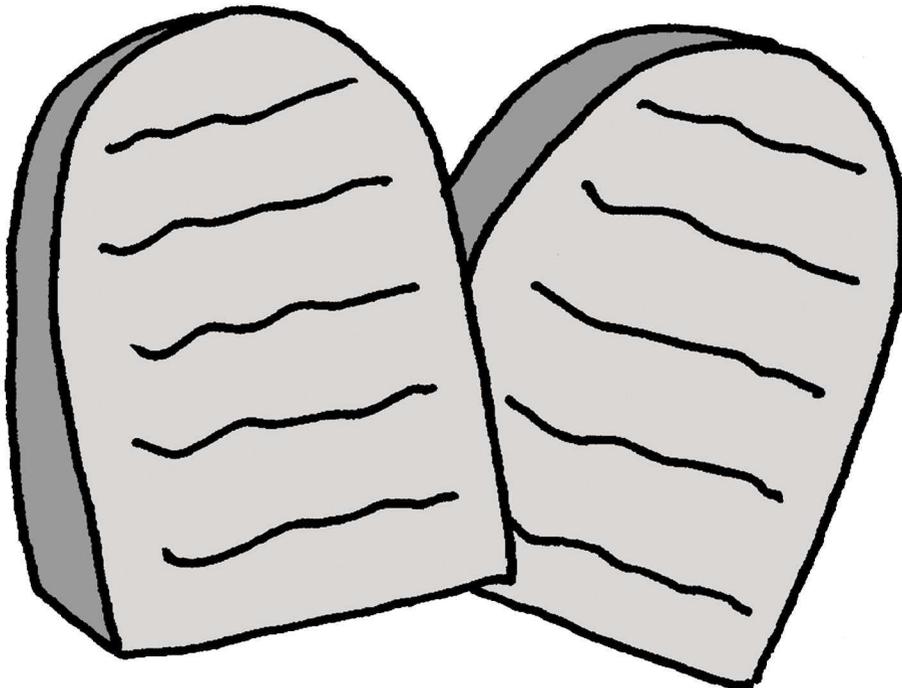
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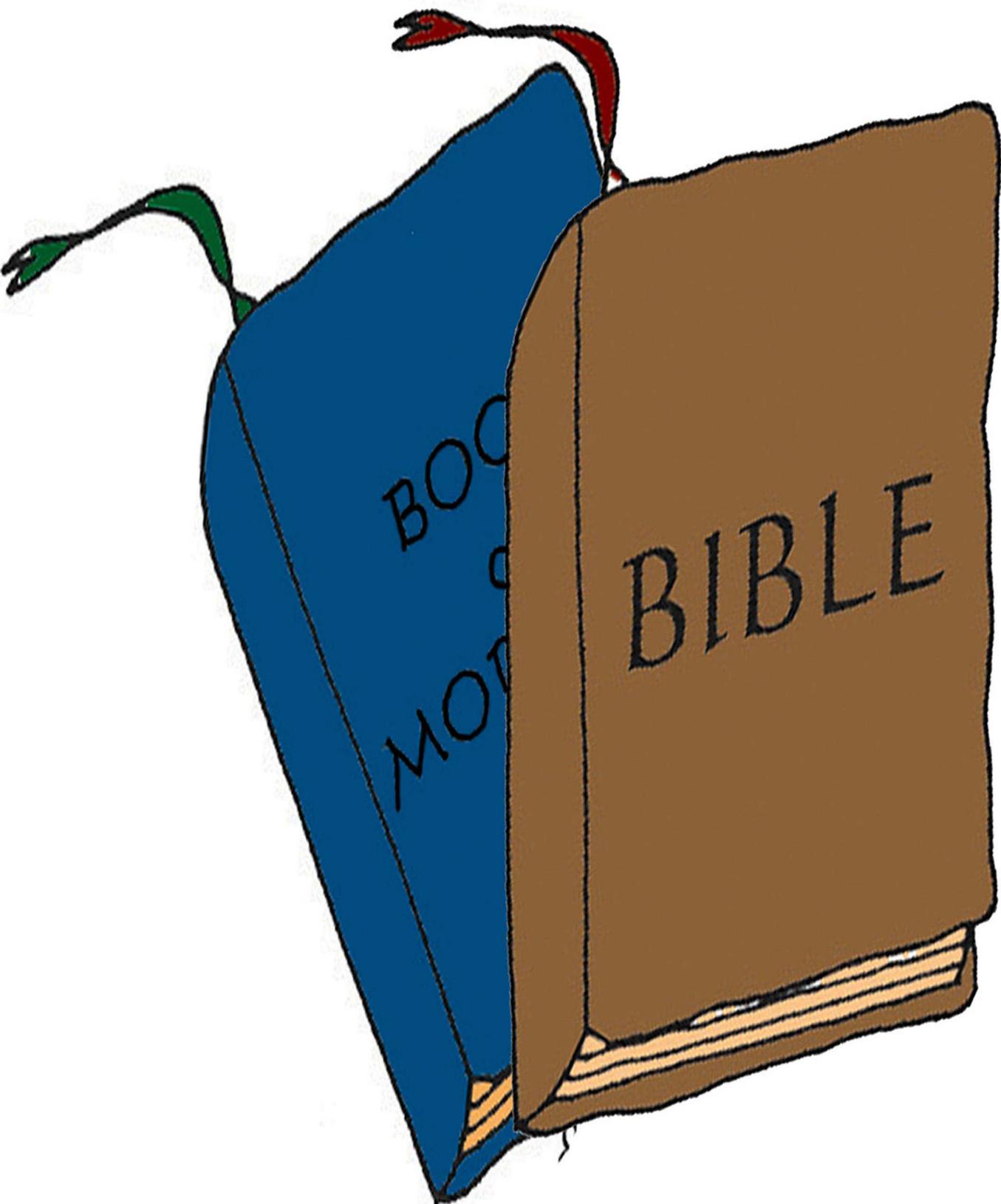
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WE WARN that individuals who violate covenants of chastity, who abuse spouse or offspring, or who fail to fulfill family responsibilities will one day stand accountable before God. Further, we warn that the disintegration of the family will bring upon individuals, communities, and nations the calamities foretold by ancient and modern prophets.

WE CALL UPON responsible citizens and officers of government everywhere to promote those measures designed to maintain and strengthen the family as the fundamental unit of society.

This proclamation was read by President Gordon B. Hinckley as part of his message at the General Relief Society Meeting held September 23, 1995, in Salt Lake City, Utah.





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CREATE YOUR OWN CARD

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