

Teaching the Gospel to Others

The Lord has declared, “I give unto you a commandment that you shall teach one another the doctrine of the kingdom” (see D&C 88:77).

1. With your partner, list some situations in which you have seen people teach the gospel to others.
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The Lord’s commandment to teach the gospel applies to all of us, even if we don’t currently have a formal calling as a teacher. We have opportunities to teach in our families, with our friends, in our Church classes, and in our interactions with coworkers and neighbors. Sometimes we teach with words, and sometimes we teach by example.

2. Tell your partner about the last time you taught the gospel to a person or group.

Shortly after the Prophet Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery received the Aaronic and Melchizedek Priesthoods, the Prophet received a revelation about their responsibility to share the gospel and to declare repentance to the world.

3. Read Doctrine and Covenants 18:15–16 aloud together, looking for blessings that come from helping someone repent and come closer to Jesus Christ. This scripture is a doctrinal mastery passage. Consider marking it in a distinctive way so you will be able to locate it easily.

4. Discuss the following questions together:

- What is the blessing of teaching the gospel that is described in Doctrine and Covenants 18:15–16?
- Have you ever experienced joy from sharing gospel teachings with someone else? Why do you think you felt this way?
- What opportunities do you think you will have today or tomorrow to teach the gospel to others?

5. It’s your lucky day! You have an opportunity to teach the gospel very soon. Prepare a simple lesson with your partner to teach what you have learned about this commandment to teach the gospel to others. As you prepare, consider using some of the activities and questions from this worksheet. Make sure you invite those you teach to read and mark Doctrine and Covenants 18:15–16.

