

# Church Leaders

Our church leaders were called by Heavenly Father and Jesus to help guide us! Help your child learn who they are, and how to listen to them!

## Purpose

Church leaders, from the Prophet down to our local leaders like Stake Presidents, and Bishops have been called of God to bless our lives. We hear from these leaders often how much they care for us and want us to do the right things! Help teach your child who their church leaders are and how to listen and learn from them. This will truly bless their lives!

“By our sustaining vote, we make solemn promises. We promise to pray for the Lord’s servants and that He will lead and strengthen them (see D&C 93:51). We pledge that we will look for and expect to feel inspiration from God in their counsel and whenever they act in their calling (see D&C 1:38).” ~ Russell M. Nelson

## Preparation

Pull up any links you might need for the lesson - look at the Family Night website for quick links

Learn Sign - Bishop

Mark D&C 107:68

Prepare for the Activities you want to do.

Print off Coloring Page: Our Bishop

Prepare Treat ~ No suggested treat this week

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**Opening Song** ~ Follow the Prophet (Primary Hymnbook; Hymn 110)

**Opening Prayer**

**Learn Sign** ~ Bishop; see the link on the FHE website to see someone doing the sign

**Scripture** ~ Open Scriptures to D&C 107:68, and read. To reinforce the idea that goes with the lesson you can say, "The bishops' job is to help us."

**Scripture Story** ~ Our Prophets (more of a teaching Story)

Joseph Smith was the first latter day prophet!

There have been many prophets since then, but they all want to help us!

Right now our prophet is Thomas S Monson

It is important to listen to the prophet and our bishops have to say!

**Activity** ~ Find Church Leaders

From a young age you can start teaching your child who their leaders are! It might take a little prep work - but you can find a picture of the bishop, the prophet, and other leaders like the apostles. Show them the pictures and repeat the names a couple times. If they are old enough, ask them to repeat the names, or find the right picture that goes with the name.

**Coloring Page** ~ Our Bishop

**Closing Song** ~ Our Bishop (Primary Hymnbook; Hymn 135)

**Closing Prayer**

**Treat** ~ No Suggested Treat

## Extra Activities for This Lesson ~

1 ~ Do something a local leader has asked you to do!

The best way for your child to learn is by your example. If your bishop has encouraged you to read the Book of Mormon, do family history work, or give a name to the missionaries, do just that! And while doing it explain that the reason you are doing it is because the bishop asked us to!

2 ~ Color a picture for the Bishop!

Bishops do so much work for their wards, and I am sure would love something from your family! You can write "Thank You!" on the top of the page and have your child color a picture underneath, have your child hand it to the Bishop on Sunday!

3 ~ Story from Family

Has there ever been a time in your life, where you were blessed because you followed the counsel of a local leader or the prophet? Tell your child the story! Opening up to your child at an early age, will help you to continue to do it as they grow older! Tell them how it made you feel and how you hope they will listen to church leaders as they grow.