

LESSON 5 / “Hearken to the Truth”

1 Nephi 16-22

(members inspired to follow Nephi’s example of faith and willing obedience)

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“You must realize that you have something like the compass, like the Liahona, in your own system. Every child is given it... if he ignores the Liahona that he has in his own makeup, he eventually may not have it whispering to him. .. Our ship will not get on the wrong course... If we listen to the dictates of our own Liahona, which we call the conscience.”

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1Nephi 16:10,28-29 What was purpose and how did ball function? What are our consequences of lack of faith?
Alma 37:38-43 How does Alma use Liahona to teach? To son Helaman/ Ball is named/ What are spiritual Liahonas for us?
Supplement #1 *President Spencer W. Kimball* *Everyone has a conscience to use as a guide*
1Nephi 16:18-22 L&L, Lehi, Nephi and the broken bow Differing reactions? How do we react to broken car?
1Nephi 16:23 How did Nephi lovingly help father? I think this is so cool / a loving father & son relationship
1Nephi 16:24-32 What was result of Lehi's humbling? What can we learn from this incident?
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1Nephi 17:8-12 What was Nephi's response to build ship? Lord's response to Nephi's faithfulness / rephrase v 13
Supplement #2 *Elder L. Tom Perry* *Remember the principle of Grace*
1Nephi 17:17-18 What was Laman & Lemuel's reaction to ship?..... Did they really start to believe verse 21 and 22?
1Nephi 17:23-44 What scripture story did Nephi refer to? Israelites exodus from Egypt / another example of using scripture
1Nephi 17:45 What does it mean "could not feel words"? 4 types of revelation / What causes people to become "past feeling"?
Supplement #3 *Elder Boyd K. Packer* *What are our consequences when we harden our hearts?*
1Nephi 17:49 Nephi urged brothers not to do what?..... How does murmuring affect families and wards?
1Nephi 18:1-4 How did Lord answer Nephi's prayers?..... Are we not entitled to this in our lives?

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1Nephi 18:9-10 How did Nephi respond to "making merry"? What is wrong with making merry? Should we not be happy?
1Nephi 18:11-12,15,20 What convinced L&L to release Nephi? What was happening to rest of family? To ours when we stray?
1Nephi 18:16 What was Nephi's attitude in difficult times?..... What makes this attitude difficult or easy?
1Nephi 18:21-25 How did Lord bless family after repentance?..... The promised Land; What a great blessing! What awaits us?

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