

## LESSON 23 *by Dennis Roberts*

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- b. *Supplement #2 President Marion G. Romney* ----- *How does faith accelerate our learning?*
- c. How should we balance gospel and temporal learning? ----- What kind of knowledge is most worthwhile? What is the relationship?
- d. *Supplement #3 Elder Gordon B. Hinckley* ----- *Do you know of examples where secular knowledge only has been bad?*

How does study without faith affect our learning?

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- b. D&C 90:15 How do good books enrich our lives? ----- How would the study of “people” help us in the church today?
- c. D&C 68:25-28 What are parent’s responsibilities? ----- What are grandparent’s responsibilities? (All children have free agency!)
- d. How can we continue learning throughout our lives? ----- Do you know any examples of those who stop or continue learning?

Write these three questions on the board and assign members to read these scriptures and respond based on what is in their scripture.

### 4- In the temple we gain an education for eternity

- a. D&C 88:119 How does the Lord teach us in the temples? ----- What must we do to prepare to be taught in the temple?
- b. *Supplement #4 Boyd K. Packard* ----- *Is it selfish to ask for ourselves to be taught?*
- c. What opportunities for learning occur in the temple? ----- Prayers answered, revelation received, spiritual instruction

Attend  
Have questions  
Meditate  
Pray & ponder  
Have faith

Can we create a similar environment in the home?

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