

HOLINESS TO THE LORD - THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

The Challenge to Become **through Jesus Christ**

What is your next step on the Covenant Path?



CHALLENGE STEPS:

1) Obtain a game packet or print one off from the stake website

2) Tell a member of the stake presidency:

- *“I have the game board.”*
- *“I accept the challenge!”*

3) The stake presidency member will give you either a challenge coin or a pendant (your choice) and may ask you some questions.

4) Carry the coin/pendant with you always (note: primary children are encouraged to keep their coin/pendant in a safe place at home)



5) Track your progress on the game board by completing challenge items from the list (refer to the game packet or the stake website for challenge items and points). Mark your progress by filling in the squares on the path.

6) Once you have made it to the temple on the game board, tell a member of the stake presidency:

“I have completed the challenge”

7) The stake presidency member will give you a challenge coin or a pendant (whichever you have not already received).

You can challenge a stake presidency member anytime for a reward!

- **What to do:**
 - Present your coin or pendant to a member of the stake presidency and ask: *“What is your next step on the covenant path?”*
- **Your reward!**
 - If a stake presidency member cannot produce their coin/pendant and respond with their next step on the covenant path, they must give you a soda, a piece of candy, or something similar.
- **The only rule:** a stake presidency member cannot be challenged in their own home—everywhere else is a free game!

Ward and Organizational Challenges

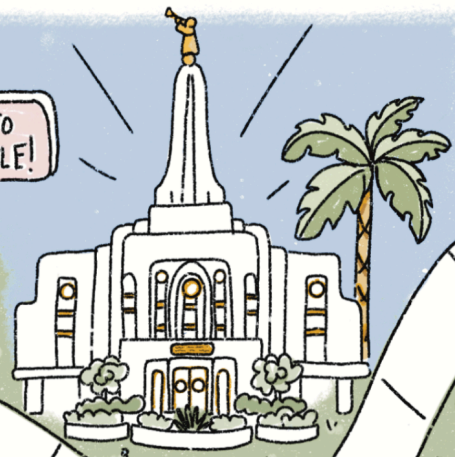
Wards and organizations (YW, YM, Elders Quorums, Relief Society, etc.) can use the coins/pendants to create their own challenges and rules.

Special game rule: When you help a friend make covenants or introduce them to the missionaries, you can advance on the path to “Baptisms Bridge” and cross over the bridge on the game board.

Follow the COVENANT PATH to the temple!

WELCOME TO THE TEMPLE!

THE FAMILY TREE



HEAVEN ON EARTH

PONDER PARK

BAPTISM BRIDGE

Faith's Flower Field

COVENANT KEEPERS GO THIS WAY

HOLY PLACE

Priesthood Pass

SACRED SPACE

MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD

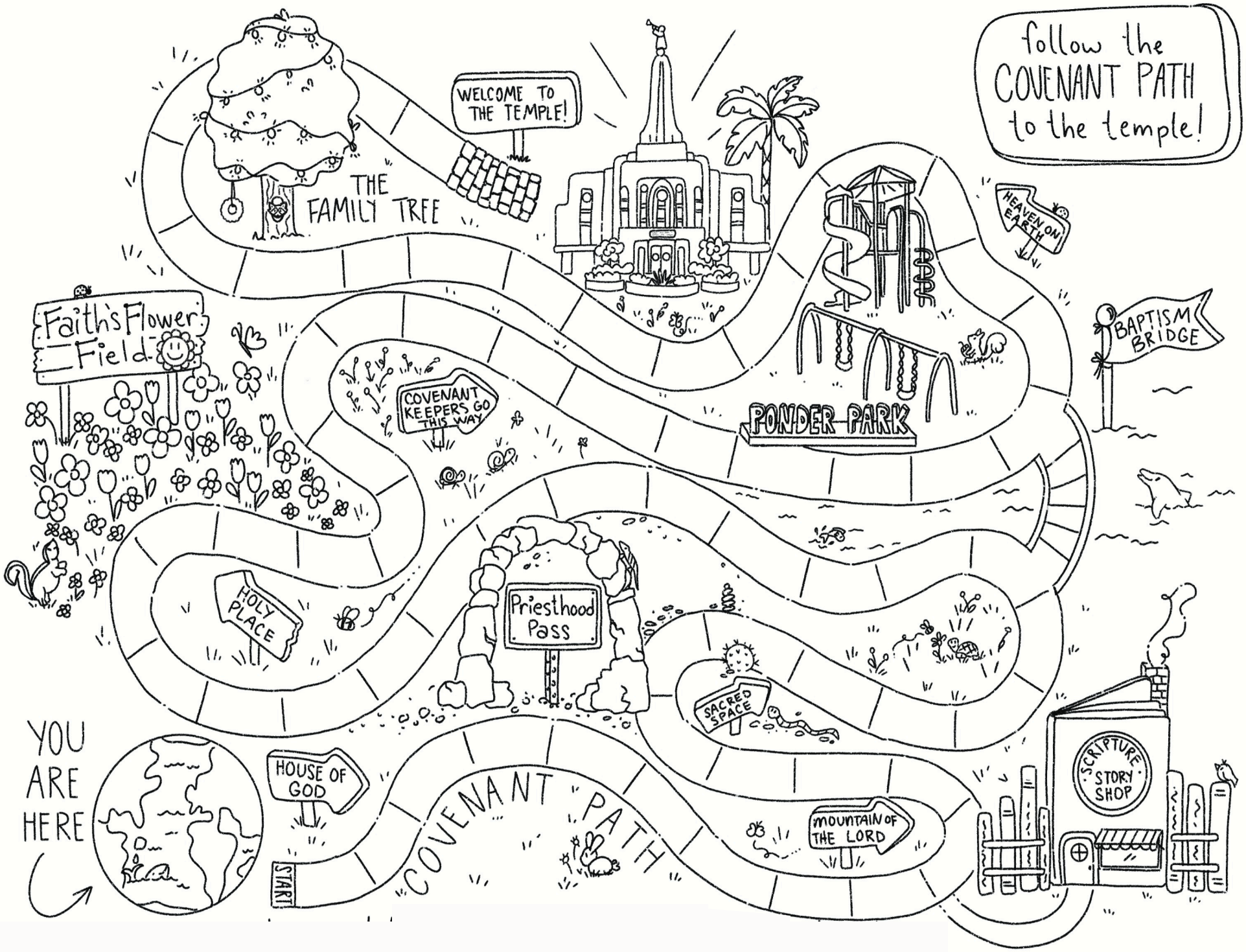
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START

COVENANT PATH

SCRIPTURE STORY SHOP



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WHAT CAN WE DO TO PREPARE TO GO TO THE TEMPLE?

(NOTE: Review the General Principles and Guidelines at the end)

YOUNGER CHILDREN

- Put a picture of the temple in your room. (3 points)
- Talk with your parents about the temple. (3 points)
- Visit the temple grounds, touch the temple, or view temple photos online. (3 points)
- Draw or build a model of your temple with readily available materials such as stones and mud, clay, play dough, or blocks. Later, do it again for a different temple. (3 points)
- Engage in family activities provided on FamilySearch.org/discovery. (3 points)
- Learn about a meaningful family story and act it out during FHE. (3 points)
- Help an adult make a favorite family recipe. (4 points)
- Listen to a general conference talk about the temple. (3 points)
- Sing “I Love to See the Temple” (2 points)
- Take a virtual tour of a temple online (3 points)
- Walk around the temple at night when all the lights are on. (3 points)
- Watch a church video about the temple. (ChurchofJesusChrist.org) (2 points)
- Visit a temple while you are out of town. (6 points)
- As you walk around the grounds of a temple, tell your parents five things that you like or noticed about the temple grounds. (6 points)
- Look at photos of your local temple. (3 points)
- Take a tour of the Family History Library at Temple Square. (10 points)
- Choose and complete your own temple activity. (3 points)

**Note the older children can also do any of the activities as the younger children or with their siblings*

OLDER CHILDREN.

- Ask a family member to share a story about the temple. (2 points)
- Read the scripture story of the Savior in the temple at age 12 (see Luke 2:42–51). (1 point)
- Read Section 25 (“Temple and Family History Work in the Ward or Stake”), in the handbook. (3 points)
- Learn how to prepare a family name to take to the temple. (3 points)
- Draw, build, or make a model of your own favorite temple. (4 points)
- Ask a family members about their temple experience. (2 points) And record it in your journal (3 points)
- Take a selfie at the temple. (2 points)
- Find 5 scriptures about the temple and mark them in your scriptures. (2 points)
- Listen to or read a talk about the temple from a recent General Conference. (3 points)
- Bear your testimony of the importance of temples. (2 points)
- Help teach a Family Home Evening lesson on temples. (4 points)
- Listen during general conference for the announcement of new temples. (1 point)
- Read about the history of your favorite temple. (2 points)
- Memorize both verses of “I Love to See the Temple”. (2 points)
- With a parent’s help, index five names. (6 points)
- Have your parents or a trusted adult talk to you about the different rooms in the temple. (2 points)
- Memorize D&C 87:8 and recite it from memory for someone in your family. Talk about what this scripture means. (5 points)
- Write a poem, song, or story about the temple. (6 points)
- Ask a grandparent/ adult relative what life was like when they were your age. (6 points)
- Watch a video about temple clothing on www.churchofjesuschrist.org/temples. (2 points)
- Watch a video about the difference between the chapel and the temple. (2 points)
- Bring a friend to church or to visit the temple grounds (10 points)
- Choose and complete your own temple activity. (3 points)



THE YOUTH CAN BE PREPARED TO ATTEND THE TEMPLE BY:

(NOTE: Review the General Principles and Guidelines at the end)

1. Spiritual Preparation :

- Deepen your understanding of Jesus Christ and his atonement by studying the scriptures daily. If you are not already doing this, make a plan to follow every day for two weeks. Journal your feelings about the atonement. (4 points)
- Find and read six scriptures related to the temple. Share two of them with a friend or family member and explain how they are related. (2 points)
- Pray often and sincerely. Think about a way you could improve your personal prayers and implement it each day for one week. Journal how your prayers have changed. (3 points)
- Attend church meetings and participate actively. For two weeks, be on time to your Sunday and weekday church meetings. (4 points)

2. Knowledge of Temple Ordinances:

- Learn something new about the meaning and symbolism of the temple ceremonies. Share one thing you've learned with your parents or a trusted church leader. (2 points)
- Discuss the importance of covenants made in the temple with your parents or a trusted church leader. (2 points)
- Watch a church video about the temple ordinances. (2 points)



THE YOUTH CAN BE PREPARED TO ATTEND THE TEMPLE BY:

- Prepare and give a FHE lesson on Family History (4 points)
- Read section 27 (“Temple Ordinances for the Living”), in the Church handbook (5 points)
- Read section 26 (“Temple Recommends”) in the Church handbook (3 points)
- Read D & C 109 (Dedication of the Kirtland Temple) (4 points)

3. Family Involvement:

- Share a personal temple experience with your family members. (3 points)
- Discuss one thing you can do to prepare to enter the temple. (1 point)
- Ask a member of your family (or trusted adult) to help you research a family name to submit for temple ordinances. (5 points)



THE YOUTH CAN BE PREPARED TO ATTEND THE TEMPLE BY:

4. Worthiness and Temple Recommend:

- Read the temple recommend interview questions. Choose one and make an effort this month to focus on its meaning in your life. Journal any changes you have made in your life to better follow the Savior. (6 points)
- What does it mean to be “worthy”? Talk with your bishop or branch president to discuss how you can qualify for a temple recommend. If you have a current recommend already, enter its renewal date in the Tools app so you can be notified when it is time to renew it! (3 points)

5. Temple Visits and Experiences:

- Visit the temple or temple grounds. (6 points)
- Attend a temple dedication or open house event and then journal what you experienced. (6 points)
- Participate in a temple preparation class or youth activity focused on the temple. (4 points)
- Tour a temple virtually online. (3 points)
- Put a picture of the temple in your room. (3 points)
- Visit the temple and participate in the Baptism ceremony in any capacity (6 points)



ADULTS CAN BE MORE PREPARED TO ATTEND THE TEMPLE BY:

(Note: Review the General Principles and Guidelines at the End)

1. Setting a Worthy Example:

- Set a time in your calendar to attend the temple with a friend or loved one. Let others know about your plans and invite any who may be interested to attend with you. (3 points)
- Keep a current temple recommend. If your recommend is set to expire soon, plan ahead to make the necessary appointments so you can always be “recommended” to the Lord. If you don’t have a current recommend, make an appointment to visit with your bishop regarding obtaining one. (5 points)
- Prepare a Family Home Evening lesson about the temple and share it with others (5 points)
- Attend a session at the temple (6 points)
- Do you know someone who might need assistance in the temple? Invite a member with a disability to attend with you and communicate with the temple in advance for accommodations (8 points)
- After performing each ordinance in the temple, take time to reflect and understand the promises of the ordinance. Record your thoughts and impressions in your journal. (6 points)
- When away from home, find and visit a nearby temple. (8 points)
- Become a temple worker (20 points)

2. Taking Time to Teach:

- Share your love of the temple with those to whom you minister. (3 points)
- Read the booklet, Preparing to Enter the Holy Temple, found in the Gospel Library and share something you learned with someone else. (5 points)
- As a family or with a friend, read and discuss together the temple recommend interview questions. (4 points)
- Study the five covenants made in the temple. Journal your experience in relation to one of the covenants. (3 points)
- Study the power and protection available through covenants. Journal how you can improve your keeping of one of the temple covenants. Share your efforts with your family, a loved one, a church leader or someone else you trust. (4 points)
- If applicable, create a plan to prepare for your child's first visit to the temple. (3 points)

3. Involving Children, Youth & Others in Family History:

- Explore the Family History Activities page found at [FamilySearch.org/discovery](https://www.familysearch.org/discovery). (2 points)
- Make a goal to index 100 names. Every time you work on this goal, earn 1 point.
- Interview an older member of your family and record your conversation. Talk about what you learned with someone else in your family. (5 points)
- Find an ancestor and study their history. Record what you learn in your journal. (5 points)
- Upload photos or audio files to Records on FamilySearch. (3 points)
- Complete "My Family" book. (10 points)

- Visit with your ward Temple and Family History consultant about ways you can more fully participate in preparing family names for the temple. (3 points)
- Watch a video produced by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, at ChurchofJesusChrist.org, that will give children and others more foundational knowledge about the temple. (2 points)

4. Make Your Home Gospel Centered:

- Display a picture or pictures of the temple in your home. (3 points)
- Play uplifting music in your home. (2 points)
- Make your home a peaceful “gospel centered” home by monitoring the materials you allow to enter (2 points)

5. Read and Record:

- Read a conference talk about the temple and make it part of personal or family study for a month (5 points)
- Research how many Conference talks have mentioned the temple in the last five years? Is this an important topic for our leaders? Record what you find. (6 points)
- In your reading of the Book of Mormon, record references to the temple when you find them (2 points)
- Participate in a temple preparation course when it is offered (4 points)
- Read the book, “The Holy Temple” by Boyd K. Packer. (12 points)
- Read section 27 (“Temple Ordinances for the Living”), in the Church handbook (5 points)
- Read section 26 (“Temple Recommends”) in the Church handbook (3 points)
- Read D & C 109 (Dedication of the Kirtland Temple) (4 points)
- Study the symbolism of the temple structure. (4 points)

6. Encourage:

- Provide childcare, a ride, or simple encouragement so someone else can attend the temple. (6 points)
- Visit the Houston temple grounds as often as possible with your family or friends. (5 points)
- Does someone you know need extra prayers on their behalf? Place the name(s) of someone in your family, ward, or friendship on the prayer roll at the temple. (2 points)

GENERAL PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES

- This challenge is meant to focus us on what matters most: Our Savior, Jesus Christ, and his role in helping us on our journey on the covenant path to become like Him and our Heavenly Father.
- The challenge items in this packet is not exhaustive. Take time to ponder and be open to direction from the Holy Ghost as to things you can do that may not be on this list. Ask yourself: *“What is my next step on the covenant path?”* Record impressions in your journal, do them, and progress on the gameboard path the number of squares you deem is commensurate with your effort.
- Additional challenge items and ideas can be found on the stake website.