# **Focusing on Conversion Each Day**

### Why this topic?

Conversion is not a one-time event but a lifelong quest. It is the miraculous process by which we come unto Christ and become more like Him. The brothers or sisters you teach may be experiencing this miracle in various ways, though they may not always recognize it. While conversion is personal, there is much we can do as Latter-day Saints to support one another and our families in becoming converted.

### Prepare for an inspiring meeting

What experiences have helped those you teach deepen their conversion? What evidence of deepening conversion do you see in them? How can you help them recognize their own conversion?

As you pray about and study the resources below, what impressions do you have about how to help those you teach deepen their conversion?

#### Teaching in the Savior's Way

The Savior invited others to act in faith and live the truths He taught. He found opportunities for them to learn through powerful experiences. What can you do to help those you teach act on what they learn today?

<u>Luke 22:32; Acts 3:19–20; 28:27;</u> <u>2 Corinthians 5:17; Mosiah 3:19; Alma</u> 5:14–15; 23:5–8; 3 Nephi 7:21; 9:13, 20

Elder David A. Bednar, "Converted unto the Lord," Ensign or Liahona,

Nov. 2012, 106-9

Elder Robert D. Hales, "Being a More Christian Christian," Ensign or Liahona,

Nov. 2012, 90-92

"Lifelong Conversion: Continuing to Advance in the Principles of Truth," Teachings of Presidents of the Church: Lorenzo Snow (2011), 59–69

Video: "Waiting on Our Road to Damascus" (3:45)

## **Begin the meeting**

As you begin the meeting, think about how to help those you teach recognize the spiritual growth happening in their own lives and in their families. You could ask them to share what they have thought about or done as a result of last week's meeting, or you could prepare them for today's discussion by asking them to talk about what they do to foster their own personal conversion every day.

## Ideas for learning together

What will you say and do to encourage those you teach to counsel together about daily, lifelong conversion? Use one or more of the following ideas or some ideas of your own (see Learning and Teaching Ideas).

- In advance, you could ask a few members—some who grew up in the Church and some who joined the Church later in their lives—to come prepared to talk about their paths of conversion. You could also discuss examples of conversion in the scriptures. What do members learn from one another and from the scriptures about conversion?
- Members could discuss the meaning of the word conversion. They could also review Elder
  David A. Bednar's talk "Converted unto the Lord" and share thoughts about how it
  helps them understand conversion and the evidence of conversion in their lives.
- You could study together the list of Christlike qualities that Elder Robert D. Hales shares in
  his talk "Being a More Christian Christian" Members could share ways they have noticed
  these qualities in one another and suggest ideas for developing these qualities.
- Members could read <u>Luke 22:32</u> together and talk about how they can support one
  another in the process of conversion. You may want to suggest that they discuss ways
  home teaching and visiting teaching can help in this effort.

### **Take action**

Help the members you teach think about how to apply what they have learned individually, in their families, and in your quorum or auxiliary. How could they take action to strengthen their own personal conversion this week? For example, you might ask:

- What are the qualities you have seen in others who are converted to the gospel? What will you do this week to embody those qualities?
- What will you do to help others in your home become more deeply converted this week?
- As priesthood holders or Relief Society sisters, how should our actions demonstrate our conversion? How could we show that we are truly converted this week?

You may want to ask class members to share other specific actions they feel inspired to take individually or in their families to encourage real conversion.

During the week, you may want to send out a reminder (through email, text message, or social media) to invite members to act on what they have learned and to share additional learning and teaching resources.

