

LESSON 08

ENDOWMENT

ONE THING TO REMEMBER

Worthiness

TODAY'S CHALLENGE:

Will you be temple worthy so you can tune in to the Lord's Spirit and be taught from on high?

"Yea, and my presence shall be there, for I will come into it, and all the pure in heart that shall come into it shall see God" (D&C 97:15).



Homework

Be worthy to enter the temple

See the temple recommend questions on page 2.

Study Marvin J. Ashton

"On Being Worthy," General Conf. April 1989

Study Jeffrey R. Holland

"Be Ye Therefore Perfect—Eventually," Oct. 2017

Study Gerrit W. Gong

"Always Remember Him," Conference April 2016

Study Cecil O. Samuelson

"What Does It Mean to Be Perfect?," The New Era, January 2006

Study Thomas S. Monson

"Priesthood Power," General Conf. April 2011

Study Jeffrey R. Holland

"We Are All Enlisted," Conference October 2011



QUOTE OF THE DAY



"Brothers and sisters, every one of us aspires to a more Christlike life than we often succeed in living. If we admit that honestly and are trying to improve, we are not hypocrites; we are human. May we refuse to let our own mortal follies, and the inevitable shortcomings of even the best men

and women around us, make us cynical about the truths of the gospel, the truthfulness of the Church, our hope for our future, or the possibility of godliness. If we persevere, then somewhere in eternity our refinement will be finished and complete—which is the New Testament meaning of perfection" (Jeffrey R. Holland, October 2017).



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Temple Recommend Interview Questions

WORTHINESS SELF-ASSESSMENT

Source: General Handbook 26.3.3.1

Y N
 Do you have faith in and a testimony of God, the Eternal Father; His Son, Jesus Christ; and the Holy Ghost?

Y N
 Do you have a testimony of the Atonement of Jesus Christ and of His role as your Savior and Redeemer?

Y N
 Do you have a testimony of the Restoration of the gospel of Jesus Christ?

Y N
 Do you sustain the President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as the prophet, seer, and revelator and as the only person on the earth authorized to exercise all priesthood keys?

Y N
 Do you sustain the members of the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles as prophets, seers, and revelators?

Y N
 Do you sustain the other General Authorities and local leaders of the Church?

Y N
 The Lord has said that all things are to be “done in cleanliness” before Him (Doctrine and Covenants 42:41). Do you strive for moral cleanliness in your thoughts and behavior?

Y N
 Do you obey the law of chastity?

Y N
 Do you follow the teachings of the Church of Jesus Christ in your private and public behavior with members of your family and others?



Y N
 Do you support or promote any teachings, practices, or doctrine contrary to those of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints?

Y N
 Do you strive to keep the Sabbath day holy, both at home and at church; attend your meetings; prepare for and worthily partake of the sacrament; and live your life in harmony with the laws and commandments of the gospel?

Y N
 Do you strive to be honest in all that you do?

Y N
 Are you a full-tithe payer?

Y N
 For new members seeking a recommend to perform proxy baptisms and confirmations: Are you willing to obey the commandment to pay tithing?

Y N
 Do you understand and obey the Word of Wisdom?

Y N
 Do you have any financial or other obligations to a former spouse or to children? (This question is omitted when interviewing a child or youth.)

Y N
 If yes, are you current in meeting those obligations? (This question is omitted when interviewing a member who is not endowed.)

Y N
 Do you keep the covenants that you made in the temple?

Y N
 Do you honor your sacred privilege to wear the garment as instructed in the initiatory ordinances? (Read the “Wearing the Temple Garment” statement, included below, to each member.) (This question is omitted when interviewing a member who is not endowed.)

Y N
 Are there serious sins in your life that need to be resolved with priesthood authorities as part of your repentance?

Y N
 Do you consider yourself worthy to enter the Lord’s house and participate in temple ordinances?

Wearing the Temple Garment

The First Presidency has provided the following guidance on wearing the garment:

“The garment of the holy priesthood reminds us of the veil in the temple, and that veil is symbolic of Jesus Christ. When you put on your garment, you put on a sacred symbol of Jesus Christ. Wearing it is an outward expression of your inner commitment to follow Him. The garment is also a reminder of your temple covenants. You should wear the garment day and night throughout your life. When it must be removed for activities that cannot reasonably be done while wearing the garment, seek to restore it as soon as possible. As you keep your covenants, including the sacred privilege to wear the garment as instructed in the initiatory ordinances, you will have greater access to the Savior’s mercy, protection, strength, and power.”

If members have questions about wearing the garment, refer them to 38.5.

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Jesus wants me to CTR to be worthy.

