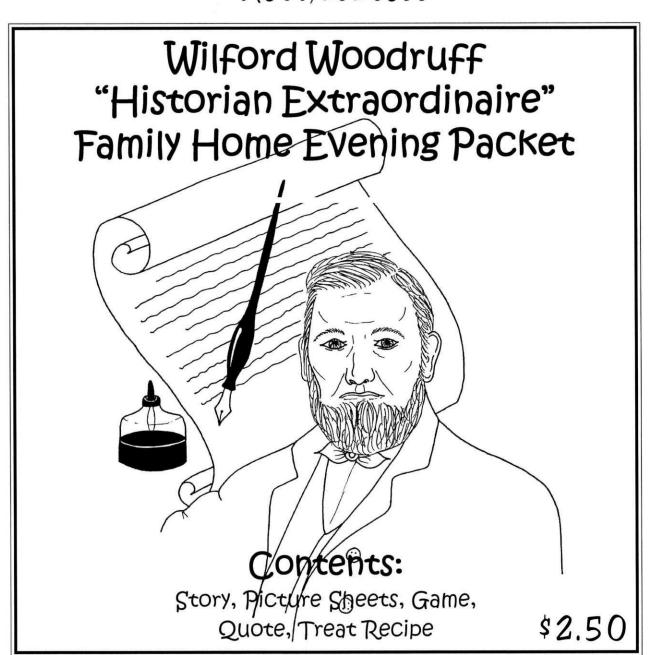


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President Wilford Woodruff History Extraordinaire Family Home Evening Packet **Home Evening Outline**

Opening Prayer
Opening Song
Scripture
Story
Game
Closing Song
Closing Prayer

Suggested Songs: "Seek The Lord Early", pg. 108 (Childrens) "The Prophet Said To Plant A Garden", pg. 237 (Childrens) "Come, Listen To A Prophet's Voice", pg. 21 (Hymn) "Now We'll Sing With One Accord", pg. 25 (Hymn)

Scriptures: D&C 1:38

Story: Color graphics with markers, colored pencils, chalks, etc. Use flannel, or laminate and cut out and place magnets on back of graphics, etc.

Laminate and cut out the trivia cards. You will need a die for the game. If you have previously purchased any of the "Prophet" packets, you may combine the trivia game cards Game: Preparation - There are two sheets of paper for the "Prophetic Pursuit" game board. Take the "Start" and "Finish" sheet, and with a ruler and sharp blade, line up the ruler on the far right-hand side of the sheet with the edges of the game spaces, and cut a vertical line from top to bottom. Then place that sheet, overlapping it on the other remaining sheet of the game board and line up. Tape or glue edges down on the back side. Color as desired and laminate. Color, laminate and cut out game tokens. from all packets to form one larger game. Every month a new Prophet packet will be released so that you may add additional cards to your existing game.

Play - The object of the game is to be the first team to get all three tokens from the "Start" to the "Finish". Divide the family into two, three or four teams and give each team three tokens. Determine which team will go first. Place the trivia cards face-down on the draw pile. The first team rolls the die but it does not yet move any game tokens. An opposing team draws a card and reads the trivia question to the first team. If the team answers the question correctly, it can move one of the tokens the amount shown on the die, or split the amount between two tokens. Its turn continues until it misses a question. If a question is missed, an opposing team can challenge. If the challenging team answers correctly, it can steal the amount on the die, and move one of its tokens. If it misses the question, it has to send one of its tokens back to the "Start" position. Once a token makes it to the "Finish," it cannot be taken out. Two players may occupy the same space at one time. The game ends when a team successfully gets all three of its lokens to the "Finish" space. If you run out of cards before play has ended, turn the pile of discarded cards over and place in the draw pile. 🔘 2003 Hatch Patch Creations

Miller's Delight Caramel Apple Squares

Ingredients

•1 3/4 cup flour

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- 1 cup oatmeal
- •1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder1/2 tsp. salt
 - •1 cup margarine •20 caramels
- condensed milkl can or two cups apple pie fillingl cup chopped
- 1 cup chopped walnuts (optional)

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine flour, oats, sugar, baking powder and salt. Mix in margarine until crumbly. Remove 11/2 cups of the crumb mixture to save for the top. Press the remaining mixture in the bottom of a 9 x 13 pan. Bake for 15 minutes. If using nuts, add to the remaining crumb mixture. In pan, heat caramels until melted (use a very low heat) with the milk, stirring until smooth. Spoon apple pie filling over the previously baked crust, top with the caramel mixture, then with the crumb mixture. Bake 20 minutes or until set. Cool, serve warm with ice cream. YUMMY!

Special Thanks to Diane Tulak of Ontario, California for this recipe!

Wilford Woodruff Historian Extraordinaire!

The fourth president and prophet of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints was Wilford Woodruff. He served in that position for nine years until he died on September 2, 1898 at the age of ninety-one. He died in San Francisco, California where he had gone to live in a warmer climate.

President Woodruff was born on March 1, 1807 in Farmington, Connecticut. He had seven brothers and one sister. Wilford's father worked as a miller for fifty years, grinding wheat to flour and President Woodruff also became a trained miller.

When Wilford was only eighteen months old, his mother died of Spotted Fever. She was twenty-six years old. As Wilford grew, he lived close to the Lord and would often go to his favorite, secluded spot to pray. Praying would later see him through many hardships and trials. Few people have ever suffered the things that he did.

He was involved in many accidents and broke bones in his arms and legs. He developed blood poisoning from a cut on his arm when he skinned an ox that had been poisoned. He once split his foot with an ax, was crushed and pinned by a falling tree and was bitten by a rabid dog. He was on a train that wrecked, he came close to drowning, he was scalded, he was frozen and he suffered through many severe illnesses. President Woodruff stated many times that the promptings of the Holy Ghost saved his life on many occasions.

Wilford was taught the missionary discussions in Richland, New York and was baptized on December 31, 1833. Four months later, in April 1834, he was privileged to meet the prophet, Joseph Smith.

During this time, Zion's Camp had been organized, which was a company of militia men who helped the Saints who had been chased from their homes. Wilford joined this group until he was called on a mission to Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Maine. When he was only thirty-one, he was called as one of the twelve apostles of the Church. Brigham Young ordained him on April 26, 1839.

He served two missions in England, once as the mission president in 1844. He was a great missionary and approximately 1800 people, including two hundred ministers, were baptized while he was there.

President Woodruff was asked to live the law of polygamy, so he married five women. He was the father of thirty-three children. One of his wives and thirteen of his children died before him.

Wilford was a quiet, unassuming man who loved everyone. He liked to fish and hunt. During one outing, he caught twenty trout on the Weber River in the Uinta Mountains in just four hours. He also loved his farm where he gardened, cared for an orchard and raised sheep and cattle. He was considered an expert on horticulture, corresponding with horticulturists in Europe and the United States. President Woodruff worked on his farm until he was ninety years old!

Writing in his journal was also a favorite pastime for Wilford Woodruff and he spent almost all of his spare time during his life jotting down his experiences. He was responsible for writing many volumes that contained all of the history of the Church during the nineteen hundreds. He loved to write and left a legacy for us, not only about the Church, but also about himself.

While President Woodruff lived in Nauvoo he sat on the city council and was the chaplain of the Nauvoo Legion. Later, he entered the Salt Lake Valley with the pioneers on July 24, 1847 where he held many important civic

positions of responsibility, including serving in the Utah Territorial legislature for twenty-two years. Among his other accomplishments were: serving on the board of directors of Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution (ZCMI), acting as chairman of the territorial Medical Board of Examiners, serving as president of the Universal Scientific Society and acting as foreman of a Salt Lake City grand jury.

During general conference in April of 1889, Wilford Woodruff was sustained as the President of the Church at age eighty-two. In his journal, he wrote that God had chosen "the weak things of the world" by choosing him (Wilford Woodruff Diary," July 25, 1887).

Though small in stature, weighing only one hundred thirty-five pounds, President Woodruff was a tireless worker and an honorable man. His testimony of the Church was steadfast and strong. In a letter he wrote to his father, Aphek Woodruff on April 18, 1845, he expressed his feelings. "I am overwhelmed as it were in Mormonism for it is my life, meat, and drink and I do not expect to be anything else but a Mormon either in life or death It certainly looks like a marvelous work and a wonder that an obscure, unlearned miller should stand at the head of ten thousand saints."

President Woodruff had come to the presidency of the Church at a time of great persecution because of its stance on polygamy. Many great men of the Church had been called to live polygamy and were in great danger because the laws of Utah did not accept this way of life. Wilford spent many hours on his knees, pleading with his Heavenly Father for direction on how to help the Church survive this terrible time. Finally, on September 24, 1890, after he had received a vision showing him what would happen if he did nothing, he issued the Manifesto of 1890, which declared the end of plural marriage. (D&C, Official Declaration -1) He had been inspired by the Holy Ghost to bring the Church into harmony with the laws of the land.

Among his greatest achievements as Church president, Wilford started weekday religious education classes, which would later become the Seminary program. He supervised the completion of the Salt Lake Temple and gave bishops and stake presidents authority to issue temple recommends which formerly could be obtained only through the prophet of the Church. During his presidency, Fast Sunday was changed from the first Thursday of the month to "Fast Sunday" as we now know it.

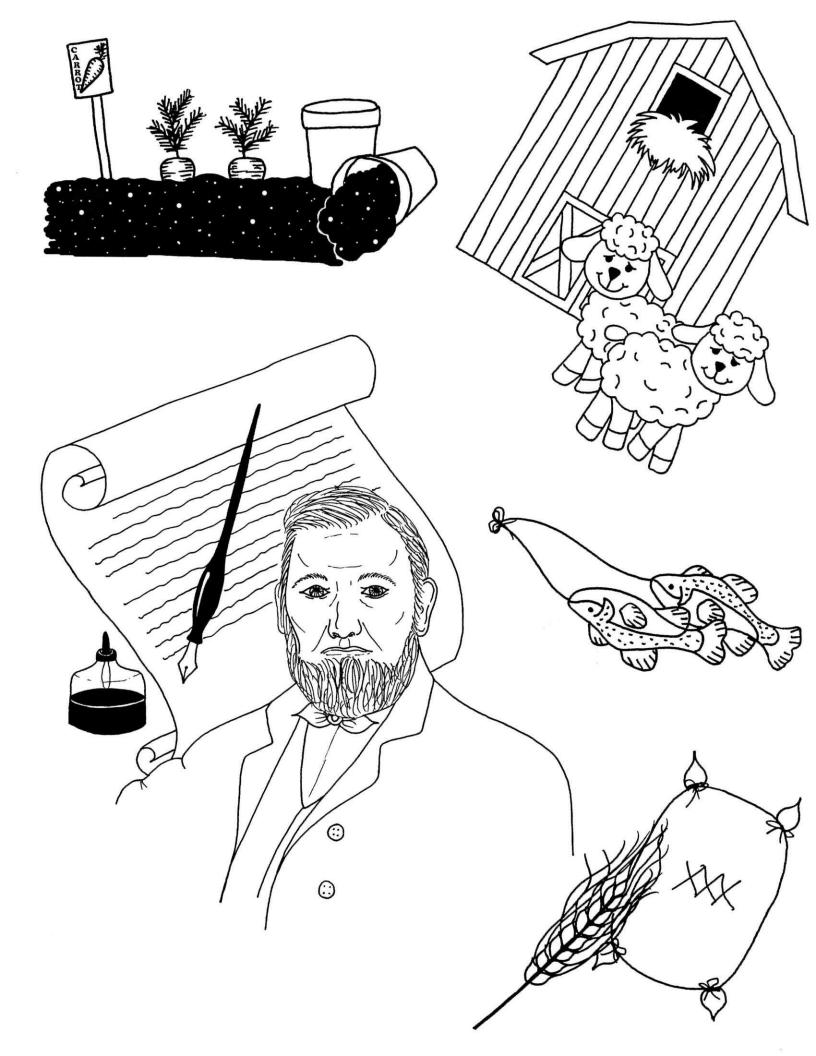
George Q. Cannon, in his tribute at the funeral of President Woodruff in the Salt Lake Tabernacle on September 8, 1898 said, "President Woodruff was an unassuming man, very unaffected, and childlike in his demands. He did no man an injury, or was he too proud, even in his Apostolic calling, to toil as other men toiled. His traits and characteristics were ennobling, and so energetic was he that nothing was too burdensome for him, even in his advanced years. He was of a sweet disposition and possessed a character so lovely as to draw unto him friends in every walk of life. He was straightforward in all his dealings with his fellowmen and never shirked an obligation. He was free, sociable, and amiable in every respect. No jealousy lurked in his bosom. He looked upon all mankind as his equals and was one who cherished the most profound respect for all with whom he associated. He was as gentle as a woman, and his purity was like unto that of the angels."

DISCUSSION:

•How can each of us work to acquire some of the traits President Wilford Woodruff had? (hard worker, loved everyone, straightforward, etc.)

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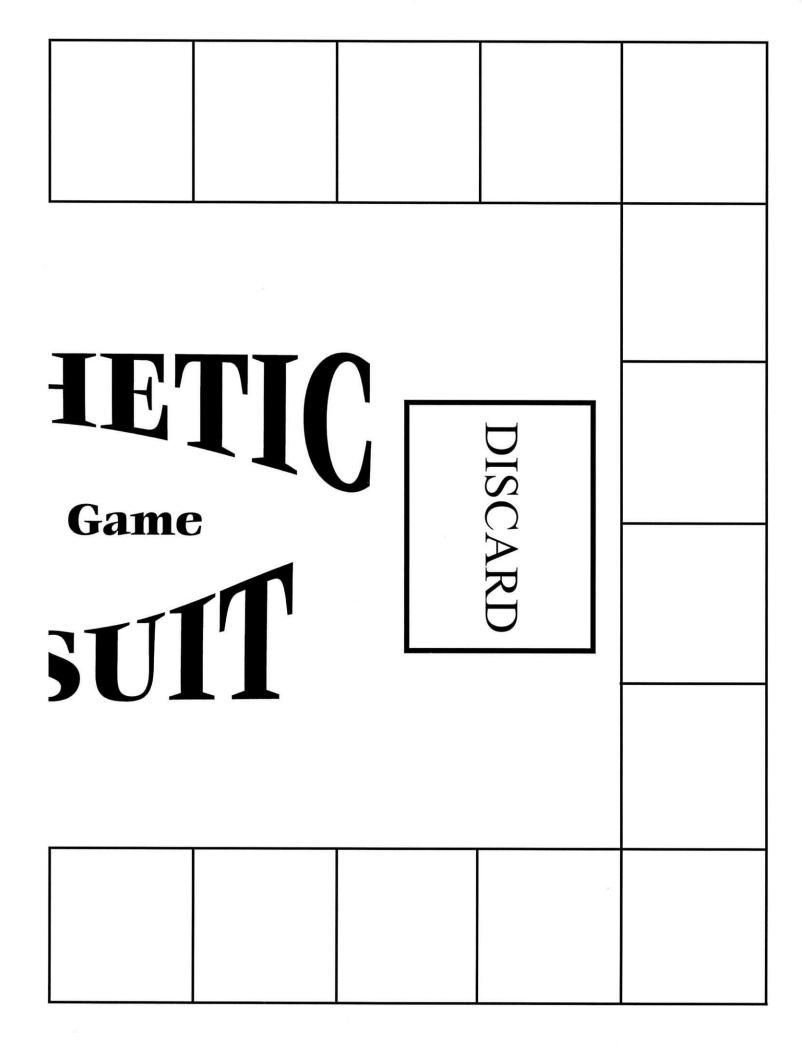
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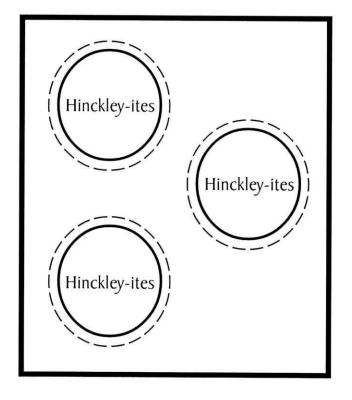
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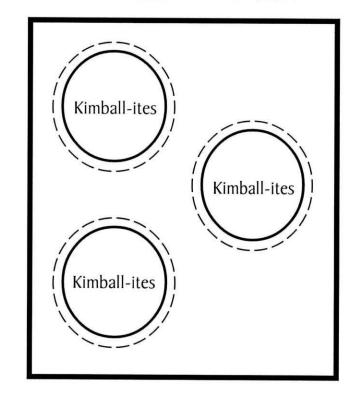




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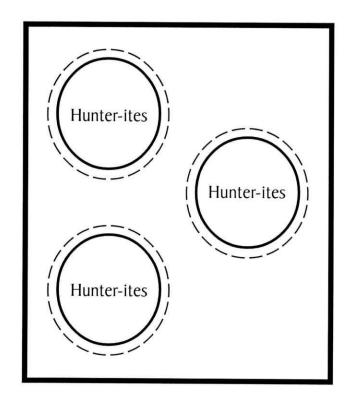
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HISTORY	How many years did President Wilford Woodruff serve as President of the Church?	A: 9 years	DATES, TRAITS & MATES	Name the event that happened on this date: December 31, 1833	A: Wilford Woodruff was baptized	FAITH-PROMOTING EXPERIENCES	President Woodruff stated on several occasions that what had saved his life many times?	A: The promptings of the Holy Ghost
PROPHETIC PASTIMES	Wilford Woodruff loved writing in his		HISTORY	How old was President Woodruff's mother when she died?	A: Twenty-six years old	FAITH-PROMOTING EXPERIENCES	In April of 1834, Wilford Woodruff had the privilege of meeting whom?	A: The Prophet Joseph Smith
DATES, TRAITS & MATES	Wilford Woodruff was sustained as the 4th prophet of the Church in what month and year?	A: April of 1889	DATES, TRAITS & MATES	Brigham Young ordained Wilford Woodruff an apostle on what date?	A: April 26, 1839	HISTORY	To what did the Manifesto of 1890 put an end to?	A: Plural Marriage

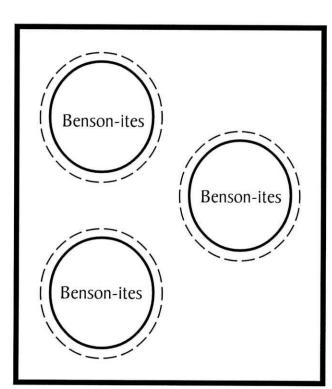




Game Tokens

Every few months, a new "Prophet of God" packet featuring one of the past prophets of the Church will be released. Each packet will contain a new set of trivia cards to add to the "Prophetic Pursuit" trivia game. Once all prophet packets are collected, you will have an entire trivia game with questions about each prophet of the Church.





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