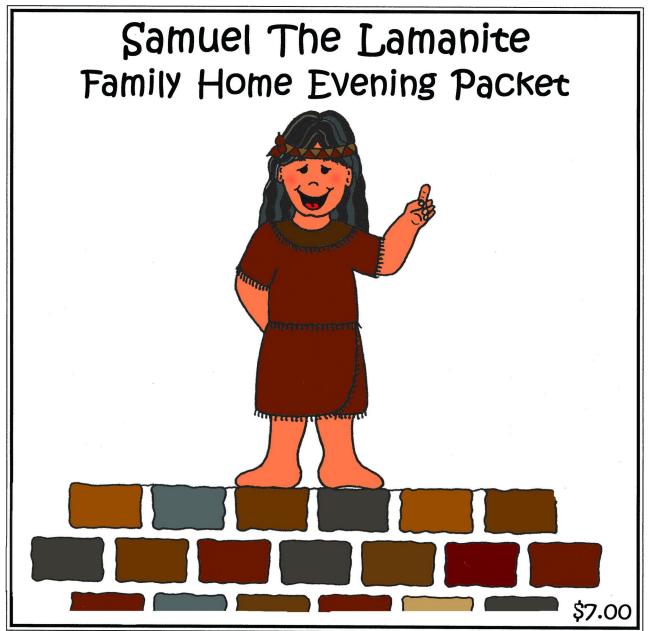


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# Family Home Evening Packet Samuel The Lamanite

Home Evening Outline

Opening Song Scripture Opening Prayer

Game Story

Closing Prayer Closing Song

Refreshments

Suggested Songs: "With Wondering Awe", pg. 210 (Hymn) How Gentle God's Commands", pg. 125 (Hymn)

"Faith", pg. 96 (Childrens)

Scriptures: Helaman 13:5, Helaman 14:2-5

Story: Color graphics with markers, colored pencils, chalks, etc. Use flannel, or laminate and cut out and place magnets on back of graphics. etc. "Build The Wall" Game: Preparation - Laminate and cut the dotted line brick sheet in half giving you two game sheets. Laminate and cut out both sets of brick sheets and the "Free" brick sheet. Color, laminate and cut out the Samuel game pieces.

Object - To be the first team to build their brick wall and place Samuel on the top of the wall.

because of the incorrect answer. BE CAREFUL! Sometimes the two runners are racing towards the chair, and someone could get hurt. It is best to stand behind the chair and brace it, and warn the players to be mindful of each other. The first team to build their wall, can place their Samuel at the top and they win Play - Divide the family into two teams. Give each team a set of "Answer Bricks". Each team is to sit on the floor and place the bricks on the floor, answer side up. The host (whoever is going to read the questions) keeps the "Free" bricks with them. The host begins by reading the first question. The teams scramble to find the right answer. Once the team thinks they have the correct answer, they then hand the DO NOT COPY brick to a "Runner." The "Runner" runs to the front of the room, where a chair has been placed, and quickly orick on their dotted line brick sheet. If it is an incorrect answer the other team has a chance to steal if they choose or they can pass. The opposing team gets a "Free" brick to place on their dotted line brick sheet sits in the chair. They read the answer on their brick. If it is the correct answer, the team can place their

# **Fudge Bricks** Samuel's

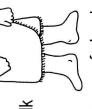
## Ingredients:

•1/2 bag

butterscotch chips 1 bag semisweet

 1 regular size can chocolate chips

sweetened condensed milk 1 tsp. milk



## Directions:

Combine all ingredients in a microwave safe bowl. Heat for two minutes. Remove from microwave and stir until smooth. Pour into an 8x8 pan and let cool. Refrigerate. DELICIOUS!

# Frosting Ingredients

•1/3 cup cocoa 1 cube butter

•1/3 cup canned milk pinch of salt

3 cups powdered

 drop of imitation almond extract

## **Directions:**

Mix all ingredients together until smooth.

# **Build The Wall Directions:**

of the fudge and frosting. Once their walls are complete, have each child color a Samuel The Lamanite and stand him on the When the fudge is cool, cut into brick shaped pieces. Give each child a surface to build their wall on and several fudge bricks and a small container of frosting. Have each child build a brick wall out

#### Samuel, The Lamanite

The Book of Helaman in the Book of Mormon tells the story of Samuel, the Lamanite.

During the first years after Lehi and his family left Jerusalem, the Lamanites were a very wicked people and they spent most of their time trying to destroy the righteous Nephites. Then, a wonderful thing happened. Many Lamanites were converted to the gospel by great Nephite prophets. When Samuel was on the earth, the Lamanites were a good people and they obeyed the commandments of God. In fact, they became more righteous than the Nephites!

One day, Samuel, the Lamanite prophet, decided to go to Zarahemla to try and help the wicked Nephites to believe in God again. He tried to get them to repent and be good.

The Nephites didn't like Samuel and they threw him out of Zarahemla. He was very discouraged. He decided to go back to his home. On the way, the Lord came to Samuel and told him to go back to Zarahemla. The Lord told Samuel that He would help him and that He would tell him what to say.

When Samuel got back to Zarahemla, the Nephites wouldn't let him back into the city. This made Samuel even more determined than before because he had been commanded to teach the Nephites in Zarahemla. Samuel had great faith in the Lord and he knew that he could accomplish what the Lord had commanded him to do.

The city of Zarahemla was surrounded with a huge wall. Samuel climbed up on the wall and began to preach to the wicked Nephites. He spoke very loudly and he told them that unless they repented, they would be destroyed in about four-hundred years. He told them they must have faith in Jesus Christ.

Now, this was not an easy thing for some people to do, because Jesus hadn't been born on the earth yet. Samuel also told them that the Savior, Jesus Christ, would be born in just five years and that He would save all of the Nephites who believed in Him.

It had been revealed to Samuel that there would be wonderful signs that would prove that the birth of Jesus was close. He told the Nephites that there would be a day, then a night, and then another day where there would be no darkness. During that whole time, there would be light on the earth. Then, a beautiful, new star would appear in the Heavens. Do you know which star Samuel is talking about? (The Star of Bethlehem)

Samuel also told the people that Jesus would be killed and that there would be signs which would follow His death. Those signs were that there would be three days of total darkness. During these days, the sun, moon and stars would not shine anywhere. There would also be thunder, lightning and earthquakes. He told them that mountains would crumble and many cities would be destroyed.

When the Nephites of Zarahemla heard Samuel, some of them believed what he said and they repented. They rushed to find Nephi, the grandson of Helaman, who was one of the few righteous Nephites. They asked him to baptize them.

The Nephites who didn't believe Samuel threw rocks at him and shot at him with their bows and arrows, but, because God was protecting Samuel, none of them hit him. When the people saw this, even more of them began to believe Samuels words and they also went to be baptized by Nephi.

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There was a great number of the Nephites who repented and were baptized, but most of the people didn't believe Samuel. When shooting at Samuel didn't work, they tried to capture him. Samuel jumped from the wall and ran away. He was never heard of again among the Nephites.

The righteous and the wicked Nephites began to watch for the birth of Jesus. When the five years were almost gone, the wicked Nephites threatened the righteous Nephites. They told them that they would kill them if the signs that Samuel revealed didn't happen immediately.

This made Nephi, the grandson of Helaman, very upset. He couldn't stand the thought that his people would be killed because they believed in Christ. Nephi prayed all day long that the Lord would protect his people.

Suddenly, the voice of the Lord spoke to Nephi. "Lift up your head and be of good cheer; for behold, the time is at hand, and on this night shall the sign be given, and on the morrow come I into the world, to show unto the world that I will fulfill all that which I have caused to be spoken by the mouth of my holy prophets." (3 Nephi, 1:13)

Then, it happened, just like Samuel had said. When the next night came, there was no darkness and a new star did appear in the heavens. And then, the Savior was born in Bethlehem.

The righteous Nephites were saved by the Lord. They were faithful and they were protected.

This is a great lesson in having faith in the Lord's prophets. When we listen and obey our prophets, the Lord will watch over us. It is also a great lesson about Samuel, the Lamanite and his tremendous faith in Jesus Christ.

#### **DISCUSSION**

- •Do you think that Samuel was frustrated that the Nephites wouldn't listen to him?
- •Do you think that Samuel needed to have a lot of faith in Jesus Christ, especially because Jesus had not even been born yet?
- •How can listening to our prophet help us to return to live with our Heavenly Father some day?



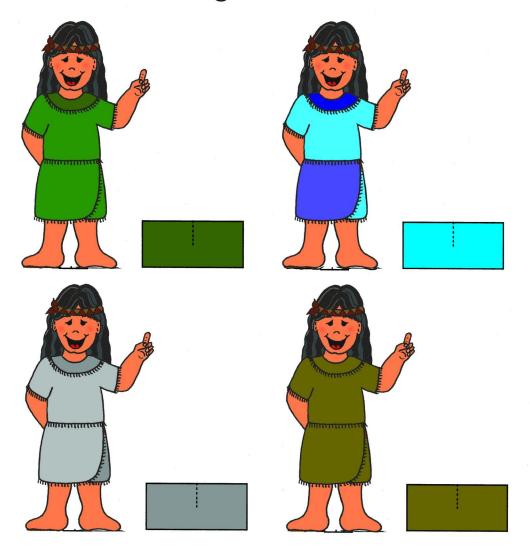
# Samuel game pieces to be used in the "Build The Wall' game.

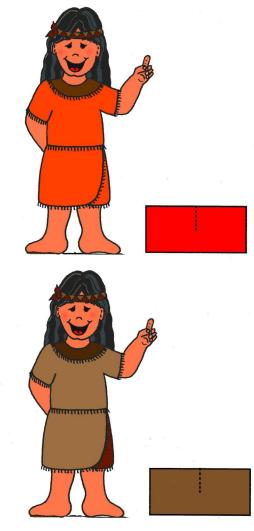
### Build The Wall Fudge Treat Activity

Have each child color a "Samuel The Lamanite" as they desire. Laminate both the "Samuel" and the rectangle to the right of the "Samuel." Once laminated cut out the "Samuel's" and the rectangles. Cut slits on the dotted lines, one on the bottom of "Samuel" and the other at the top of the rectangle. Place the two slits on top of one another forming an "X". Push together so that they slide into each other and are free standing. Once the children have completed constructing their wall from the fudge bricks and frosting, they can place Samuel at the top of their wall.

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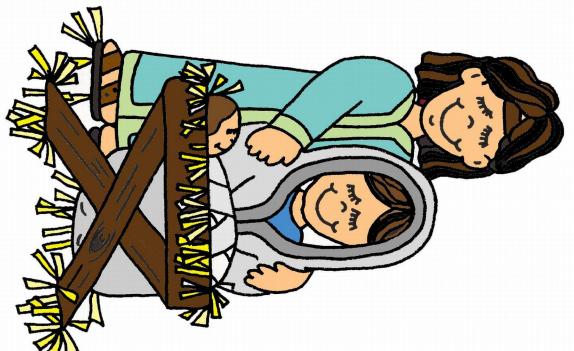
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#### "Build The Wall" Game Questions & Answers

- 1. In which book of the Book of Mormon is the story of Samuel, The Lamanite found? Helaman
- 2. Samuel the Lamanite went to what city to preach to the wicked Nephites? Zarahemla
- 3. The Nephites threw Samuel out of the city of Zarahemla. Who convinced him to return and continue preaching? The Lord
- 4. The city of Zarahemla was surrounded by what? A great wall
- 5. Samuel told the Nephites that they must do what? Repent
- 6. Samuel told the Nephites that if they didn't repent they would be what? Destroyed
- 7. Samuel prophesied that the Nephites would be destroyed in how many years if they didn't repent? 400 years
- 8. Samuel prophesied that who would be born on the earth? Jesus Christ
- 9. Samuel told the Nephites that the baby Jesus would be born in how many years? Five
- 10. What sign would appear in the sky at the Savior's birth? The Star of Bethlehem
- 11. Samuel prophesied of the Savior's what? Death
- 12. What sign did Samuel reveal would happen at the Saviors death? 3 Days of darkness
- 13. The Nephites who believed Samuel's words rushed to find whom? Nephi
- 14. Nephi was Helaman's what? Grandson
- 15. The righteous Nephites wanted Nephi to do what? Baptize them
- 16. The Nephites who didn't believe Samuel tried to hit him with what? Rocks
- 17. The Nephites who didn't believe Samuel tried to shoot at him with what? Bows and arrows
- 18. The Lord was protecting Samuel, so he was not what? Harmed
- 19. The Nephites became frustrated when shooting at Samuel did not work so they tried to what? Capture him
- 20. After Samuel finished preaching, what did he do? Jumped from the wall
- 21. The wicked Nephites threatened the righteous Nephites that if the signs of the Savior's birth did not appear they would what? Kill them
- 22. Nephi was very concerned about the threats the wicked Nephites were making towards the righteous Nephites so he did what? He prayed
- 23. What did the Lord tell Nephi after he prayed? To be of good cheer



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