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Practice deepening your study and understanding of the Doctrine & Covenants by practicing in section 13 how to uncover *context, content, and the impact* of a revelation.

**CONTEXT**: What is happening in the life of Joseph Smith in 1829 that specifically is connected and leads to this 15 May revelation? Find any background information in the scripture heading, footnote or other sources that seems to better help you understand what is taking place that has an influence upon the coming of this revelation. Reference and explain your observations.

Jospeh and Oliver had been translating the book of Mormon, and they came across a part that talked about the priesthood. They realized that the church would need the priesthood in order to function properly, so they decided to ask the Lord about it.

Based upon this historical context for this revelation that you have uncovered, what appears to be the question Joseph Smith is asking that leads to this revelation?

He is most likely asking about the priesthood and how ordinances are to be performed in the church.

**CONTENT**: What is the message of this revelation? Summarize the main message of this revelation.

John The Baptist appear to Jospeh and Oliver and restores the priesthood to them. He also explains the priesthood keys to them.

What are three keys of the Priesthood of Aaron mentioned in this revelation spoken by John the Baptist?

1. Ministering of angles
2. Gospel of repentance
3. Baptism by immersion

What is your understanding of each of these keys of the Priesthood of Aaron?

Baptism and repentance are both for redeeming us of sins we committed, and the ministering of angels is doing the work that God has intended for us.

What priesthood principles are revealed in this revelation and its section heading? Reference and explain your answers.

That the Aaronic priesthood is used for baptism and the ministering of angels, and that the lord won’t remove it from the earth again.

**IMPACT**: How did this revelation influence Joseph and his associates? How has this revelation influenced your life and members of the Church living today?

Having the priesthood makes sure that any ordinances the church performs mean something, rather than just being for show. It’s reassuring that when you’re baptized or any other ordinance, that the lord has authorized it.

What two questions do you have as a result of your study of this revelation?

Why make them wait for the Melchizedek priesthood instead of giving it to them right then?

What exactly does the ministering of angels mean?