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Out of the Wilderness

**RESEARCH NOTES**

Core Concept #1: **What are three ways the Church was called or brought “out of the wilderness” in the latter days?**

By the restoration of priesthood keys, the translation of the Book of Mormon, and the building of temples.

Key Sources (Scripture References/Prophetic Teachings):

* JST Revelation 12:1, 3
* Russel M Nelson, Hope of Israel, worldwide youth devotional, 3 June 2018
* Russel M Nelson Ensign, Oct 2010

Core Concept #2: **(a)** **What is the role of the Book of Mormon in fulfilling the promises made to the fathers? (b) What is the role of Priesthood in fulfilling the promises made to the fathers?**

The BoM led to the questions that led to the restoration of the priesthood and the keys and the temple ordinances.

The temple is the focus of everything in the church, it is central to the gospel and where the keys of the kingdom are used, where covenants are made, and progress is achieved.

Key Sources (Scripture References/Prophetic Teachings):

* Russel M Nelson, Hope of Israel, worldwide youth devotional, 3 June 2018
* Russel M Nelson Ensign, Oct 2010

Core Concept #3: **What is the role of the Church in the latter-days? How does the temple fit into this role?**

The Church teaches us what we need to do to return to our Heavenly Father and Savior, and the temple is central to it all. It is where we progress, make covenants and utilize the priesthood keys that have been restored.

Key Sources (Scripture References/Prophetic Teachings):

* Russel M Nelson Ensign, Oct 2010
* D&C 5, 39, and 45

**PERSONAL NOTES/REFLECTIONS**

We ought to be able to see, appreciate and adopt the best things other faiths have that we wish we had (Muslims praying 5 times a day, Catholics with lent, etc)

The woman has a child, who is taken up into heaven. The millennium covenant is that she will be able to raise that child in the millennium

Accept the everlasting covenant

Become gathered Israel

Prepare for Christ’s millennial reign

D&C 5:14

Connects Song of Solomon and Revelation 12

The BoM is the broom, the tool used to sweep the nations together

It all starts with the BoM, it is the domino that starts the gathering of Israel

The BoM resolves the problem

The BoM led to the questions that led to the restoration of the priesthood and the keys and the temple ordinances

All are directly tied to the Bible and to the Covenant

\*\*\*The Covenant happens in the temple\*\*\*

**QUESTIONS/TOPICS TO PURSUE**

1. Study D&C 5 / Song of Solomon / Revelation 12
2. Go to the temple and pay attention to the covenants being made and their significance in the kingdom of God