

## Teacher Council Meeting - 08/27/2017

### Teach the Doctrine

Today's session will focus on improving our skills in teaching the doctrine of Jesus Christ.

We will begin with some motivating scriptures

- John 7:16-17 "My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me."
- D&C 88:77 "teach one another the doctrine" (it's a commandment!)
- Elder Packer quote: "True doctrine, understood, changes ..."
- Alma 31:5 "try to virtue of the word of God"

**Q:** What attitudes and behavior should we seek to change?

- Make a list of 5 - 10 items
- Make sure to *keep it real*

### Use the Scriptures

- D&C 42:12
- 2 Nephi 32:3
- **Q:** How can I inspire those I teach to "feast upon the word of God?"
- **Q:** What examples can we find of the Savior teaching from the scriptures?
- See: Matt 12:1-8, Luke 4:16-21

Nephi spoke about likening the scriptures to ourselves

- 1 Nephi 19:23

The Lord commanded the Nephites to search the scriptures:

- 3 Nephi 23:1-5
- **Q:** Why did He do this?

### First Exercise

Now we will split into groups of 2 or 3 and break out to come up with a brief lesson plan focusing on teaching the doctrine and scriptures to address the attitude and behavior.

- Ask a few people to present

## Ensure Doctrinal Teaching

One way to ensure that we are teaching true doctrine is to consider how what we are teaching relates to the doctrine of Christ.

- 2 Nephi 31
- 3 Nephi 27:16-21

**Q:** “How will what I am teaching help my class members build faith in Christ, repent, make and keep covenants with God, and receive the Holy Ghost?”

## Second Exercise

Now reform groups (same ones) and revise the previous lesson plan to focus more on teaching the doctrine of Christ.

## Scriptural Example

- Mosiah 5:2-5
- Q: What caused King Benjamin’s people to change?
- Q: How did what King Benjamin taught relate to the doctrine of Christ?
- Alma 12:32 (he taught about commandments after having taught them about the “Plan of Salvation”)
- Q: Why does teaching in this order matter?
- How can we apply this pattern?

## Teaching with Authority

The Savior taught as “one having authority, and not as the scribes.” (See: Matt 7:29)

- **Q:** How do we follow the Lord’s example in teaching as one with authority?