Case Study

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# Instructions

The purpose of this assignment is to **apply your knowledge and deepen your learning** from *responding to real life examples that you or others may face in defending the Proclamation and the eternal family****.* You must answer the questions** in the case study (cut and paste them below for reference). *Be sure to connect the references to your thoughts and discuss why/how the reference helps to answer or strengthen your response****.* Responses must show thought, reflection, pondering and depth with college-level writing skills. You must provide at least four citations**from the talks discussed in this unit. Each citation must be from a different talk. **You must also use the Proclamation and at least one scripture**. The passages must be cited properly based on the following criteria:

Question or requirement 1: What gospel principles or doctrines are involved in the case study, and how do they help to clarify and give direction in addressing the situation?

Question or requirement 2: Drawing inspiration from the proclamation, scripture block, and talks, discuss what resources you would use to address the dilemma and how those resources would be helpful.

Question or requirement 3: Are there specific things you would suggest that could be done to help resolve the issue?

Question or requirement 4 (if required): Copy and Paste the question or requirement here for reference

Your friend recently joined the Church and is at a point where they are considering receiving their endowment. They want to understand better the importance of temple covenants and why they are needed. They ask you for some advice.

# Case Study Report

In 1-2 page(s), write a response that responds appropriately to the requirements and questions for the case study that you have chosen.

1. Receiving your endowments is a momentous occasion. When deciding to receive your endowments you are making a promise. In D&C 124:39 it says, “Glory, honor, and endowment are ordained by the ordinance of my holy house,” Temples were created for many reasons, but God wanted temples to provide a holy place to partake in the important ordinances that are needed to go to the Celestial Kingdom. Elder David A. Bednar in a talk titled, “Let This House Be Built unto My Name”, goes into more detail on the importance of the ordinances and covenants we make. “Covenants and priesthood ordinances are central in the ongoing process of spiritual rebirth and transformation; they are the means whereby the Lord works with each of us from the inside out. Covenants that are honored steadfastly, remembered always, and written “with the Spirit of the living God … in fleshy tables of the heart”18 provide purpose and the assurance of blessings in mortality and for eternity. Ordinances that are received worthily and remembered continually open the heavenly channels through which the power of godliness can flow into our lives.” I would tell my friend that when considering an endowment to remember this is about themselves with God. Turning to Heavenly Father during this time will help you become stronger. Elder Dale G. Renlund says in a talk titled, “The Priesthood and The Saviors Atoning Power”, “Covenants with God are serious and solemn. A man should prepare for, learn about, and enter such covenants with the intent to honor them. A covenant becomes a pledge of self.” This is a great reminder that these things need to be taken seriously. Endowments are needed to complete other ordinances too like marriage. The Family A Proclamation To The World says, “Marriage between a man and a woman is ordained of God.” President Russell M. Nelson in a talk titled, “Celestial Marriage” says, “While salvation is an individual matter, exaltation is a family matter.5 Only those who are married in the temple and whose marriage is sealed by the Holy Spirit of Promise will continue as spouses after death6 and receive the highest degree of celestial glory, or exaltation.” To complete the ordinance of marriage in the temple you must become endowed and be worthy. These ordinances are necessary to go to the Celestial Kingdom. Elder Oaks has a talk titled, “Divorce” and though the whole thing is about divorce, one statements applies not only to relationships with a partner. “Plead for the guidance of the Spirit of the Lord to forgive wrongs (as President Faust has just taught us so beautifully), to overcome faults, and to strengthen relationships.” Asking for help and trusting in the Lord will strengthen your relationship with Him. He will be able to help you become worthy and do everything so you can receive these important ordinances.

## References Used (All 6 required):

1. Scripture: D&C 124:39
2. Proclamation: Proclamation To The World
3. Talk: “Let This House Be Built unto My Name” Elder David A. Bednar
4. Talk: “The Priesthood and The Saviors Atoning Power” Elder Dale G. Renlund
5. Talk: “Celestial Marriage” President Nelson
6. Talk: “Divorce” Elder Oaks