

UNDER HIS WINGS

SEASON 2

EPISODE 17—Embrace The Future

SHOW NOTE HIGHLIGHTS

Our discussion today centers around President Nelson's conference talk entitled: Embrace the Future with Faith.

Episode Notes

https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/general-conference/2020/10/37nelson?lang=eng

The Prophet Joseph Smith declared that "the work of ... these last days, is one of vast magnitude. ... Its glories are past description, and its grandeur unsurpassable.

We learn from Moroni that he prepared his people in three essential ways.

First, he helped them create areas where they would be safe—"places of security" he called them. **Second,** he prepared "the minds of the people to be faithful unto the

Lord." And **third**, he never stopped preparing his people—physically or spiritually.

1st: President Nelson pointed out; "As turmoil rages around *us,* we need to create places where *we* are safe, both physically and spiritually. When your home becomes a personal sanctuary of faith—where the Spirit resides—your home becomes the first line of defense."

2nd: President Harold B. Lee said; ""Unless every member of this church gains for himself an unshakable testimony of the divinity of this church, he will be among those who will be deceived in this day when the "elect according to the covenant" are going to be tried and tested. Only those will survive who have gained for themselves that testimony. . .

President Nelson: "The Lord taught us how to increase our faith by seeking "learning, even by study and **also** by faith." We strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ as we strive to keep His commandments and "always remember him." Further, our faith increases every time we *exercise* our faith in Him. That is what learning by faith means.

3rd: Elder Wadell put it in his talk There Was Bread; "The Lord does not expect us to do more than we can do, but He does expect us to do what we can do, when we can do it. As President Nelson reminded us in our last general conference, "The Lord loves effort." He continues, "Being temporally prepared and self-reliant means "believing that through the grace, or enabling power, of Jesus Christ and our own effort, we are able to obtain all the spiritual and temporal necessities of life we require for ourselves and our families." We need to act "in wisdom and order," which implies a gradual buildup of food storage and savings over time, as well as embracing "small and simple" means, which is a demonstration of faith that the Lord will magnify our small but consistent efforts. The most important step of all is to begin!

A great Instagram resources for beginners...or anyone wanting to improve temporal and spiritual knowledge: Inklings Institute https://instagram.com/inklings.institute?igshid=1p4i981d3kkm3

President Nelson: "I am not saying that the days ahead will be easy, but I promise you that the future will be glorious for those who are prepared and who continue to prepare to be instruments in the Lord's hands."