Come Follow Me - Doctrine & Covenants 2025 Week 38: September 14-20 ~ Doctrine & Covenants 102-105

Sunday/FHE - song: watch "Press Forward"
Read the intro for the week in the CFM manual. Read Doctrine & Covenants
103:1-13, 36; 105:1-19. What are some of the reasons the Saints lost their promised land in Missouri? [their transgressions: not being quick to obey, only wanting to

follow the easy commandments, being slow to do as asked...] What do we learn from those verses that will help us establish Zion in our heart, home, and community? [endure our trials with faith and hope, be prayerful, stay humble, wait and trust in His timing, obey,...]. What are the things holding you back from being able to claim your place in Zion?

Monday - In many ways, participating in Zion's Camp was a trial of faith. The journey was long, the weather was hot, and food and water were sometimes scarce. And after all they endured, Zion's Camp was still unsuccessful in returning the Saints to their land....What are some modern examples of a trial like Zion's Camp? [although them to come up with their own ideas but one such example is a missionary who works hard, but no one joins the Church as a result of his or her efforts. another example would be doing all you can as a class presidency member to create unity in your group only to have peers still be clicky and disrespectful] What could we say to someone who is experiencing this disappointment and apparent set back? [you are doing your part and your reward will come at some point even if it's not in the way you were hoping right now...it will all work out for your good in the end] How has the Lord blessed you "after much tribulation"? (discussion pulled directly from the section "Blessings come after trials of faith" in the CFM manual)

Tuesday - Read "Voices of the Restoration: Zion's Camp". Watch "How Firm a Foundation" by The Petersens. What does this song teach us we can do to get through trials with grace and faith? What do we hear in that song that goes with what we have been reading in sections 103 & 105 of the Doctrine & Covenants? Here are the lyrics to the song you can read for the discussion. [if we stay humble and turn to Him, He can help us through whatever we go through and make it for our good]

Wednesday - Read the section "What is the purpose of trials?" in the CFM manual. What have you gained from trials you have gone through? [perspective, answers, a great knowledge, humble, empathy, a desire to change...]

Thursday - Read Doctrine & Covenants 103:27-28. These verses can seem a little overwhelming or daunting. The thought of "laying down [our] life" for Him often

makes us jump to worse case scenario of actual death in His name. However, what if we replace the phrase "lay down" with "dedicate" or "sacrifice"? Read the verses again replacing with one of the two words or both. How does that change our perspective? What do we gain when we dedicate our life to Him to the point that we make sacrifices to do so?

Friday - Today we're going to watch a short movie for CFM. Watch "<u>Treasure in Heaven: The John Tanner Story</u>" What were they willing to give up for following Him? What do we learn from John Tanner's story?

Bonus Talks/Reading: <u>The Acceptable Offering of Zion's Camp</u>
Elder Bednar, "<u>On the Lord's Side: Lessons from Zion's Camp</u>"