

Closing Remarks

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION • SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026 • OCTOBER 2026 GENERAL CONFERENCE

THE BIG IDEA

Conference isn't over when the broadcast ends. When I study the talks and act on them, the Lord gives me more.

You'll need: A calendar, plus this packet of lessons (or a list of the talk titles).

Parent note: These are short closing remarks, so this lesson is lighter and works well as a planning night for which talks your family will study next.

1 HOOK

2 MIN

60-SECOND CHALLENGE Set a timer for 60 seconds. As a family, name as many stories or ideas from this conference as you can remember. (Hints: baffling buttons, a damaged passport, Lehi's fruit, an NFL player, Eternal Joy's silent treatment.)

Then: However many you named, President Oaks promised there's more coming. Quoting the Lord, he said: "Unto him that receiveth I will give more." (2 Nephi 28:30) The more we use what we've received, the more the Lord gives.

2 KEY TEACHINGS FROM PRESIDENT OAKS

8–10 MIN

I Study, ponder, and act

"As the talks of this conference are published, we invite all to study and ponder them prayerfully and to act in faith on the principles they explain."

— President Dallin H. Oaks • exact words

FOR AGES 8–11: MAKE IT CONCRETE

Three steps: study (read or watch a talk), ponder (think about it and pray), and act (do something because of it). Acting is the step that changes us.

DEEP CUT • AGES 12–16

Why do you think President Oaks asked us to *act in faith*, not just study? What's the difference between remembering a talk and being changed by it?

2 The Salt Lake Temple opens its doors

"On April 5, 2027, the temple doors will open to the public—the first such opening since 1893, 134 years ago."

— President Dallin H. Oaks • exact words

FOR AGES 8–11: MAKE IT CONCRETE

Open to the public means friends and neighbors who aren't members can come inside before it is dedicated. Who would you love to bring with you, in person or through a virtual tour?

DEEP CUT • AGES 12–16

134 years is about five generations. Find out who in your family tree was alive in 1893. President Oaks also announced a video series called *Dedicate*, including a virtual tour of the Salt Lake Temple.

3 Truth is found here

“Truth is to be found here—truth about the teachings of the Lord and truth about the covenant path that will lead us to our destiny, the destiny desired by our Heavenly Father.”

— President Dallin H. Oaks · exact words

FOR AGES 8–11: MAKE IT CONCRETE

President Oaks ended with his testimony that this is the restored gospel of Jesus Christ. The covenant path leads us back to Heavenly Father.

DEEP CUT · AGES 12–16

Look back over the conference. Which talk helped you understand the covenant path better? Which truth do you most want to know for yourself?

3 INTERACTIVE MOMENT

2–3 MIN

FAMILY CONFERENCE PLAN Lay out the talk titles from this packet. Each person picks the one talk they most want to study next. Put one talk per week on the family calendar until April conference.

Reveal: That’s President Oaks’s invitation in action: study and ponder prayerfully, then act. Let whoever chose each week’s talk help lead that lesson.

4 TALK ABOUT IT

3 MIN

YOUNGER (8–11)

What was your favorite story from this conference?
What could you do because of it?

OLDER (12–16)

President Oaks said the conference messages helped unite our testimonies on Jesus Christ. Which talk strengthened your testimony of Him the most?

5 RECAP: THE KIDS EXPLAIN IT

2 MIN

Ask the kids: What three things did President Oaks invite us to do with the talks? What happens on April 5, 2027? What did he testify is found here?

Listen for: Study, ponder prayerfully, and act in faith. The Lord gives more to those who receive. The Salt Lake Temple opens to the public on April 5, 2027. Truth about the Lord and the covenant path is found in His restored Church.

6 TESTIMONY OF JESUS CHRIST

1 MIN

President Oaks closed with a blessing: “As we now go forward, we invoke the blessings of the Lord on you and your families, blessings of peace and contentment.” A parent shares the conference message that touched you most and what you plan to do about it, and your testimony of the restored gospel of Jesus Christ.

7 THIS WEEK, AS A FAMILY

1 MIN

ONE THING TO DO This week, choose one talk from this conference to study as a family, and each person picks one principle from it to act on. Report back next week.

☐ Mon ☐ Tue ☐ Wed ☐ Thu ☐ Fri ☐ Sat ☐ Sun

Scripture: 2 Nephi 28:30 · **Full talk:** [churchofjesuschrist.org/study/general-conference/2026/10/510oaks](https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/general-conference/2026/10/510oaks)

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