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### OPENING EXERCISES

Begin	Song	Page	Song	Activity
2:15 – 2:25 & 3:10 – 3:20	Opening	122a	<i>The First Article of Faith</i>	
JR: 2:25-2:45 SR: 3:20-3:40		Music	OR <i>If the Savior Stood Beside Me</i>	
	Welcome	255	<i>Come with Me to Primary</i>	Round
	Birthday	285	<i>You've Had a Birthday</i>	Children stand up one at a time like candles on a cake, then blow out OR Round

### SINGING/SHARING TIME – Choosing Activity: Trees

Purpose	Page	Song	Activity (Total Participation)	Key Principle & Scriptures (Doctrine)
Teach call & response: <b>Me:</b> "If the Savior stood beside me..." <b>Kids:</b> "Would I do the things I do?"				
<b>Attention-Getter</b>  (Showcase a Primary Child's Talents or Stories)	88	<a href="#">On a Golden Springtime</a> JR: Verse 1 w/ actions  SR: Verse 3	Show different plants  Show Primary child's pre-made <a href="#">origami</a> & then see if another child thinks can fold them without a pattern	What are these? (Seeds)  What do all the leaves have in common? (Same pattern)  Have you noticed all the plants follow the same pattern when they grow?  Can you make this (name item) without a pattern?
<b>Activate Prior Knowledge &amp; Experiences</b>  (Build conceptual knowledge and connect it to personal experience)  What do you know about JS? What have you heard about prophets? Pres. Nelson	87	<a href="#">The Sacred Grove</a>  JR: Verse 1 w/ actions  SR: Verse 1 and/or Verse 2)	MYSTERY PIX What's happening? Why do we care about the First Vision? (Because it gives us a pattern for getting help with our problems from Heavenly Father and Jesus)	<b>Doctrine &amp; Covenants 52:14:</b> "And again, I will give unto you a pattern in all things, that ye may not be deceived; for Satan is abroad in the land, and he goeth forth deceiving the nations.—"  Heavenly Father gives us patterns to help us have happier lives (baptism, scriptures, temples, weddings, etc.)

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<p><b>Identify the Doctrine</b></p> <p><b>(Shared, Contextualized Experience)</b></p> <p><a href="#">The First Vision Picture</a></p>	76	<p><a href="#">This is My Beloved Son</a>                      (Verse 3)</p>	<p>What do we learn from the First Vision?</p> <p>JR: Have children help you read aloud the <a href="#">Rebus Story on p. 2 of this Friend article</a></p> <p>Have children help you retell it in their own words as you do: <a href="#">Joseph Smith First Vision Shoebox Panorama</a></p> <p>SR: Jigsaw Activity:</p> <p>A: <a href="#">Joseph Smith First Vision Comic p. 1</a>                      (2 children)</p> <p>B: <a href="#">Joseph Smith First Vision Comic p. 2</a>                      (2 children)</p> <p>C: <a href="#">Joseph's Smith's First Vision Illustrated Story</a> (2 children)</p> <p>Extra: <a href="#">Jesus Christ &amp; the First Vision</a></p>	<p><b>The Articles of Faith 1:1 –</b>  <i>"We <sup>a</sup>believe in <sup>b</sup>God, the Eternal Father, and in His <sup>c</sup>Son, Jesus Christ, and in the <sup>d</sup>Holy Ghost."</i> (Could sing Article of Faith 1 again)</p> <p>1) Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ are real.</p> <p><i>JS-H 1:17 "It no sooner appeared than I found myself <sup>a</sup>delivered from the enemy which held me bound. When the light rested upon me I <sup>b</sup>saw two <sup>c</sup>Personages, whose brightness and <sup>d</sup>glory defy all description, <sup>e</sup>standing above me in the air..."</i></p> <p>2) They listen to us and answer our prayers (and can appear to us if necessary for our missions on this earth).</p> <p><i>JS-H 1:19 "I was answered that I must join none of them, for they were all <sup>a</sup>wrong..."</i></p> <p>3) They know us by name. (JS-H 1:17)</p> <p><i>JS-H 1:17 "...One of them spake unto me, calling me by name and said, pointing to the other—This is My <sup>b</sup>Beloved <sup>a</sup>Son. Hear Him!"</i></p> <p>4) They love us, care what happens to us, and want to help us.</p> <p>5) They have bodies of flesh and bones.</p> <p>6) They created us after that same pattern.</p> <p>7) They give us patterns to follow to help us be happy.</p> <p><i>Doctrine &amp; Covenants 52:14: "And again, I will give unto you a pattern in all things, that ye may not be deceived; for Satan is abroad in the land, and he goeth forth deceiving the nations.—"</i></p> <p>8) Jesus is our most important pattern.</p> <p><i>Matthew 19:21: "...and <sup>a</sup>come and follow me."</i></p>
		<p>Form a group of 6, with 2 As, 2 Bs, and 2 Cs</p> <p>As take turns reading their page to the rest of the group</p> <p>Bs draw as they listen</p> <p>Cs sequence their pictures as they listen</p> <p>Then Bs take turns reading, Cs draw, and As sequence</p>		

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<p><b>Encourage Understanding (Focus on Meaning)</b></p> <p><a href="#">Joseph Searching Scriptures</a></p> <p><a href="#">Sacred Grove Pix</a></p> <p><a href="#">The First Vision Pix</a></p>	109	Search, Ponder, & Pray	<p>What else do we learn from the First Vision?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listen to the song play from my phone</li> <li>As they listen, JR &amp; SR match pictures from Joseph Smith's First Vision to modern pictures, or act out words of song</li> <li>SR follows along /sings with hymnbook as they listen the first time</li> <li>SR brainstorms real life questions or problems they have on whiteboards as they listen the 2<sup>nd</sup> time</li> </ul>	<p>Joseph's experience gives us a pattern for getting help from Heavenly Father.</p> <p><b>Ask ?:</b> JS-H 1: 10 "In the midst of this war of words and tumult of opinions, I often said to myself: What is to be done? Who of all these parties are right; or, are they all wrong together? If any one of them be <b>right</b>, which is it, and how shall I know it?"</p> <p><b>Search for Answers:</b> JS-H 1:11 "While I was laboring under the extreme difficulties caused by the contests of these parties of religionists, I was one day reading the <b>a Epistle of James, first chapter and fifth verse</b>, which reads: If any of you lack <b>b wisdom</b>, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."</p> <p><b>Ponder:</b> JS-H 1:12 "Never did any passage of <b>a scripture</b> come with more power to the heart of man than this did at this time to mine. It seemed to enter with great force into every feeling of my heart. I <b>reflected on it again and again</b>, knowing that if any person needed <b>b wisdom</b> from God, I did; for how to act I did not know, and unless I could get more wisdom than I then had, I would never know..."</p> <p><b>Pray:</b> JS-H 1:15 "After I had retired to the place where I had previously designed to go, having looked around me, and finding myself alone, I kneeled down and began to offer up the desires of my heart to God. I had scarcely done so, when immediately I was <b>seized</b> upon by some power which entirely overcame me, and had such an astonishing influence over me as to bind my tongue so that I could not speak. Thick <b>darkness</b> gathered around me, and it seemed to me for a time as if I were doomed to sudden destruction."</p> <p><b>Act in Faith:</b> JS-H 1:25-26 "For I had seen a vision; I knew it, and I knew that God knew it, and I could not <b>deny</b> it, neither dared I do it; at least I knew that by so doing I would offend God, and come under condemnation.                  26 ...I had found the testimony of James to be true—that a man who lacked wisdom might ask of God, and obtain, and not be <b>upbraided</b>."</p>

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<b>Encourage Application (Communication &amp; Action)</b>	Music	If the Savior Stood Beside Me	Listen to song play on phone as they discuss with their teachers how they will apply these ideas to the problems they face this week	Gospel in Action Plan: Develop an individual/class action plan for acting on these truths <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Identify problems</li><li>• Choose key words</li><li>• Look up key words in Topical Guide</li><li>• Make a plan for when and how to read, think, pray, and act</li><li>• Report back next Sunday</li></ul>
<b>Assessment &amp; Testify (Closure)</b>	60  #26	JR: Jesus Wants Me for a Sunbeam  SR: <a href="#">Joseph Smith's First Prayer</a>	Share story of when I received a testimony of Joseph Smith (video at baptism), tarring and feathering, etc.	I am grateful for Joseph Smith because it means: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) I know that Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ are real.</li><li>2) I know that they hear and answer my prayers in the ways that are best for me.</li><li>3) Yes, think and work some more, or no answers</li><li>4) How do the answers come? May differ depending on situation (feelings, thoughts, lessons or talks, songs, other people's words, etc.) and mission of the Holy Ghost re: that issue in your life (i.e., comfort, teach, testify, warn)</li></ol>

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**Possible links to follow-up activities to post on Ward Facebook page to remind children to work on their action plans this week:**

#### First Vision Worksheet

[https://www.lds.org/bc/content/shared/content/images/gospel-library/manual/37108\\_091.jpg](https://www.lds.org/bc/content/shared/content/images/gospel-library/manual/37108_091.jpg)

#### First Vision Recap (for Sr. Primary):

<https://www.lds.org/bc/content/ldsorg/children/resources/topics/first-vision/This%20Is%20My%20Beloved%20Son-2005-05-friend.pdf>

#### First Vision Cut-outs:

<https://www.lds.org/bc/content/shared/content/images/gospel-library/magazine/friendlp.nfo:o:1526.jpg>

#### First Vision Coloring Page: [https://www.lds.org/bc/content/ldsorg/children/scripture-](https://www.lds.org/bc/content/ldsorg/children/scripture-stories/coloring/pearl-of-great-price/PD60003359_000-17.pdf)

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#### First Vision Coloring Figures (with brads for Joseph's knees):

<https://www.lds.org/friend/2008/03/joseph-smiths-first-vision?lang=eng>

#### First Vision Increases Faith in Jesus Christ Coloring Page:

<https://www.lds.org/friend/2007/05/coloring-page?lang=eng>

#### Pres. Uchtdorf's Testimony of the First Vision

<https://www.lds.org/liahona/2008/06/the-first-vision?lang=eng>