# Stay at Your Post



## What is Your Post?

With a little thought, you should be able to identify what your post is. What are you responsible for?

#### Jacob 2:2

Now, my beloved brethren, I, Jacob, according to the <u>responsibility which I</u> <u>am under</u> to God, to magnify mine office with soberness, and that I might rid my garments of your sins, I come up into the temple this day that I might declare unto you the word of God.

You have things that are expected of you. Your post is whatever you are responsible to do.

## Where do Responsibilities Come From?



There are people are counting on you to remain present and active until you have fulfilled your responsibility.

#### **D&C 84:61**

For I will forgive you of your sins with this commandment—that you <u>remain steadfast in your minds</u> in solemnity and the spirit of prayer, in bearing testimony to all the world of those things which are communicated unto you.

#### God

You are always accountable to God. Always remember that you are His, and He gives you commandments because He loves you.

#### Abraham 3:25

And we will prove them herewith, to see if they will <u>do all things</u> whatsoever the Lord their <u>God shall command them</u>;

#### 1 John 5:3

For this is the love of God, that we <u>keep his commandments</u>: and <u>his</u> <u>commandments are not grievous</u>.

## Yourself

Some of these responsibilities may be self motivated. Having high standards and goals will keep you on the path that leads back to God.

#### **D&C 58:27**

Verily I say, men should be <u>anxiously engaged in a good cause</u>, and do many things of their own free will, and bring to pass much righteousness;

#### **Parents**

God gave you parents and they gave you life. They love you more than anyone else in this world and give you instructions to help you learn and grow.

#### Colossians 3:2

*Children, <u>obey your parents</u> in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.* 

#### **Family Members**

Family loyalty is very important in helping you become someone others can depend on. God gave you these special people to spend your life with and they need your love and support.

#### Alma 43:47

And again, the Lord has said that: Ye shall <u>defend your families</u> even unto bloodshed.

#### Mosiah 4:15

But ye will teach them to walk in the ways of truth and soberness; ye will teach them to <u>love one another</u>, and to <u>serve one another</u>.

#### Leaders

Good leaders, whether in church, school, work, other organizations, desire to help you succeed. You will receive direction from them.

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

And we beseech you, brethren, to know <u>them which labour among you, and</u> <u>are over you</u> in the Lord, and admonish you; And to <u>esteem them very</u> <u>highly in love</u> for their work's sake.

All of these people are counting on you to fulfill your responsibilities!

## How Can You Stay at Your Post?

### **Be Obedient**

Do what you are asked to do right away, and do it with a good attitude.

#### **D&C 123:17**

Therefore, dearly beloved brethren, let us <u>cheerfully do</u> all things that lie in our power;

### **Be Responsible**

Learn what is expected of you and be willing to act in a way that others know they can depend on you.

#### **D&C 107:99**

Wherefore, now let every man learn his duty, and to <u>act</u> in the office in which he is appointed, <u>in all diligence</u>.

### **Be Where You Should Be**

Another aspect of your post is your place. This means that you are where you are supposed to be. When you are given an assignment you should stay there while you are working on that assignment.

#### 1 Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye <u>steadfast</u>, <u>unmoveable</u>, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

#### **Be Present**

Focus on your task. You may physically be where you are supposed to be, but if you are not focused on what you are doing then your mind is not present.

Some responsibilities are never fully fulfilled, they are ongoing and are just a part of being trustworthy. This requires diligence of mind so that you can be responsible through whatever else is happening.

#### **D&C 11:20**

Behold, this is your work, to keep my commandments, yea, with all your might, <u>mind</u> and strength.

## **Be Diligent**

Stay at your post means that you stay actively working to accomplish your responsibilities until they are fulfilled.

#### Luke 12:43

Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so <u>doing</u>.

## What does not Staying at Your Post Look Like?

#### **Proverbs 5:12-13**

And say, How have I hated instruction, and my heart <u>despised reproof</u>; And have <u>not obeyed</u> the voice of my teachers, <u>nor inclined mine ear</u> to them that instructed me!

## Laman and Lemuel Did Not Stay at Their Posts

#### 2 Nephi 2:11-12

And thus Laman and Lemuel, being the eldest, did murmur against their father. And they did murmur because they knew not the dealings of that God who had created them. (**Disobedient**)

#### 1 Nephi 3:5

And now, behold thy brothers murmur, saying it is a hard thing which I have required of them; (**Complaining**)

#### 1 Nephi 3:14

And we began to be exceedingly sorrowful, and my brethren were about to return unto my father in the wilderness. (**Giving Up**)

#### 1 Nephi 3:31

Laman and Lemuel again began to murmur, saying: How is it possible that the Lord will deliver Laban into our hands? Behold, he is a mighty man, and he can command fifty, yea, even he can slay fifty; then why not us? (**Making Excuses**)

## What does Staying at Your Post Look Like?

## Nephi Stayed at His Post

#### 1 Nephi 2:16

I did cry unto the Lord; and behold he did visit me, and did soften my heart that I did believe all the words which had been spoken by my father; wherefore, I did not rebel against him like unto my brothers. (**Trusting**)

#### 1 Nephi 3:7

I, Nephi, said unto my father: I will go and do the things which the Lord hath commanded, for I know that the Lord giveth no commandments unto the children of men, save he shall prepare a way for them that they may accomplish the thing which he commandeth them. (**Willing**)

#### 1 Nephi 3:15

But behold I said unto them that: As the Lord liveth, and as we live, we will not go down unto our father in the wilderness until we have accomplished the thing which the Lord hath commanded us. 16 Wherefore, let us be faithful in keeping the commandments of the Lord; (**Steadfast**)

#### 1 Nephi 4:1

And it came to pass that I spake unto my brethren, saying: Let us go up again unto Jerusalem, and let us be faithful in keeping the commandments of the Lord; for behold he is mightier than all the earth, then why not mightier than Laban and his fifty, yea, or even than his tens of thousands? (**Committed**)

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Miriam followed her baby brother Moses down the river making sure that he was safe until he was found by someone who would take care of him.

Nephi would go and do whatever the Lord asked of him. When others wanted to give up, he was focused and diligent in accomplishing what seemed impossible.

Joseph Smith was responsible for the sacred record written on golden plates, he was not careless but did all that he could to protect them, even though he was persecuted by many people who wanted to steal them from him.

Jesus was always obedient to His Father's commandments, he was the perfect example of being where he was supposed to be and doing what he was supposed to be doing.

Print these up and hang them on your wall to remind you to be like these heroes who stayed at their post.