

Topic: Proper Humanity – A Good Conscience (Lesson 120)

Note: The practical applications provided in the lesson are offered as suggestions to help the saints in their preparation. They are not meant to direct or limit the ways in which the focus of the lesson can be applied. The saints are encouraged to pray and contact the Lord to receive His burden and guidance in teaching and applying the lesson. Fellowship with other saints, and inquiring of the children themselves, may also bring out many helpful applications.

Elementary:

Verse: “Woe to those who call evil good and good evil” (Isaiah 5:20).

Focus: We have a feeling inside us (our conscience) that tells us right from wrong and wrong from right.

Practical Application: Consider sharing a personal story when you were younger where you had to make a choice between doing what was right and wrong and how you felt good or bad. If you find a toy at the park that is not yours do you take it? If you see some cookies or candy on the table, can you just eat them? What is the right thing to do?

Songs: Listen, listen, your conscience speaks to you; I have my very own conscience

Intermediate:

Verse: “A wise man's heart inclines to his right, but a fool's heart inclines to his left” (Ecclesiastes 10:2).

Focus: It is wise to know right from wrong. We need to listen and follow the feeling inside us (in our conscience) and choose what is right.

Practical Application: Consider giving the following scenario: Suppose you break something by accident (window, a friend's new toy, your sibling's electronic device, etc.). How do you feel inside? Do you try to hide it or do you tell someone? When we listen to that feeling inside that is telling us to be honest and tell someone, we feel happy and peaceful.

Song: Listen, listen, it's your conscience

Advanced:

Verse: “Holding faith and a good conscience, concerning which some, thrusting these away, have become shipwrecked regarding the faith” (1 Timothy 1:19).

Focus: We want to keep a good conscience by being quick to apologize for our wrongdoings.

Practical Application: What is our reaction when our parents (or teachers, serving ones, etc.) ask us to do something when we are in the middle of something else? How is our speaking? What is our attitude or action? If we are not proper in our attitude or behavior, we need to apologize *as soon as we realize* that we were improper in our speaking, attitude, or conduct.