

Foundations of the Restoration



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COURSE OBJECTIVES: The lessons in this course are designed to prepare you to develop greater faith in Jesus Christ, a firm testimony of the restored gospel, and an increased commitment to make and keep sacred covenants. This course will assist you to gain a greater understanding of key events in Church history, latter-day revelations, and restored doctrine and how they relate to God’s plan for the redemption of His children.

Projected Class Schedule (Fridays):

Jan. 10	Lesson 1: Prelude to the Restoration Lesson 2: The First Vision
Jan. 17	Lesson 3: Acquiring Spiritual Knowledge Lesson 4: The Doctrine of Revelation
Jan. 24	Lesson 5: The Coming Forth of the Book of Mormon Lesson 6: The Book of Mormon—Keystone of Our Religion
Jan. 31	Lesson 7: Restoration of the Priesthood Lesson 8: The Organization of the Church of Jesus Christ
Feb. 7	Lesson 9: Jesus Christ Our Divine Redeemer Lesson 10: Follow the Lord’s Living Prophet
Feb. 14	Lesson 11: The Gathering of Israel Lesson 12: Establishing the Cause of Zion
Feb. 21	Lesson 13: The Laws of God Lesson 14: The Lord Reveals Additional Scripture
Feb. 28	Lesson 15: Heavenly Father’s Plan and Our Divine Potential Lesson 16: The Kirtland Temple and Priesthood Keys
Mar. 3-7	Spring Break; no classes
Mar. 14	Lesson 17: Remaining Faithful amid Opposition and Affliction Lesson 18: Latter-day Saint Women and the Relief Society
Mar. 21	Lesson 19: Redemption of the Dead Lesson 20: Temple Ordinances and Worship
Mar. 28	Lesson 21: The Doctrine of Eternal Marriage and Family Lesson 22: Plural Marriage
Apr. 4	Lesson 23: The Prophetic Mission and the Martyrdom of Joseph Smith Lesson 24: The Prophet Joseph Smith—A Choice Seer
Apr. 11	Lesson 25: Succession in the Presidency and the Trek West Lesson 26: The Church in the West
Apr. 18	Lesson 27: The Revelation on the Priesthood Lesson 28: The Lord Is Hastening His Work

Course Requirements: In order to receive credit toward graduation, do the following:

1. **75% attendance.** To make up a lesson: Go to *LDS Library, Books and Lessons, Institute, Foundations of the Restoration – Teacher Manual*. Locate the lessons that were missed and spend 45ish minutes studying lesson material, recording thoughts and impressions. When completed, mark the roll on appropriate day with an “M” for *made up*.
2. **Read 75% of the lesson assigned for each week.** Go to: *LDS Library, Books and Lessons, Institute, Foundations of the Restoration – Preparation Material*.
3. **Take notes** on lessons.