



**GENERAL CONFERENCE STUDY GUIDE**

**TALK TITLE:** Abiding in God and Repairing the Breach

**SPEAKER:** Neill F. Marriott

**SESSION:** General Women's

**DATE:** 9/23/17

**POINTS TO PONDER:**

1. Why is it important for me to continually deepen my knowledge and obedience to Heavenly Father?

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2. Why am I here on this earth and how will my most important learning occur?

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3. What am I duty bound to learn about God and Jesus Christ?

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4. What are the things that truly matter most to me and are the most lasting?

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5. Why does Heavenly Father ask me to love, serve and forgive in those times when doing so is difficult, inconvenient, and appears to be hard on my soul?

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6. How can I be cleansed from my sins and close the gap between me and my loving Heavenly Father?

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7. Why is sacrifice of my own personal agenda to make room for God's eternal plans for me important?

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8. What can I learn from the story of Jimmy to help me in my efforts to close the gap between myself and my Heavenly Father and His son Jesus Christ?

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9. How can living the law of the fast help me become a "repairer of the breach?"

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10. What happened to soften Sister Marriott's heart towards her relative and how can I apply what she learned in my own life?

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11. How is the Savior's atonement a "conduit" for the continuous flow of charity for me from my loving Heavenly Father?

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12. Why is it vital for me to abide in Christ's love in order for me to have charity for all?

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13. What can I do to more fully give my heart to Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ so that I can increase in my discernment, confidence, and faith and thereby have a more powerful influence in the world?

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**OTHER THOUGHTS/NOTES:**

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### **SCRIPTURES REFERENCED:**

- [Jeremiah 31:3](#)
- [Moses 6:34](#)
- [Doctrine and Covenants 88:63](#)
- [Jacob 4:11](#)
- [Isaiah 58:12](#)
- [Isaiah 30:26](#)
- [Moroni 7:48](#)

### **STORIES SHARED:**

- Jimmy and his Sunday School teacher and class
- Sister Marriott’s encounter with her relative and her own change of heart.

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### **RELATED TALKS:**

- Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “[In Praise of Those Who Save](#),” *Ensign or Liahona*, May 2016, 77-80.
- Henry B. Eyring, “[Fear Not to Do Good](#),” *Ensign or Liahona*, Nov. 2017, 100-103.
- S. Mark Palmer, “[Then Jesus Beholding Him Loved Him](#),” May 2017, 114-116.
- Henry B Eyring, “[Trust in That Spirit Which Leadeth to Do Good](#),” *Ensign or Liahona*, May 2016, 16-18.
- Jose L. Alonso, “[Love One Another as He Has Loved Us](#),” *Ensign or Liahona*, Nov. 2017, 119-121.
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- Dieter F. Uchtdorf, “[Living the Gospel Joyful](#),” *Ensign or Liahona*, Nov. 2014, 120-123.
- Adilson de Paula Parrella, “[Essential Truths—Our Need to Act](#),” Nov. 2017, 115-116.
- Jeffrey R. Holland, “[Be Ye Therefore Perfect – Eventually](#),” *Ensign or Liahona*, Nov. 2017, 40-42.

### **CALL TO ACTION – WHAT I WILL DO BECAUSE OF READING THIS TALK:**

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