

# Modern-Day Teachings that Relate to the Title of Liberty

## “In memory of our God”

Elder Neil L. Andersen of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles taught:



There are many on the earth who know very little of Jesus Christ, and in some parts of the world where His name has been proclaimed for centuries, faith in Jesus Christ is diminishing. . . .

As the world speaks less of Jesus Christ, let us speak more of Him. As our true colors as His disciples are revealed, many around us will be prepared to listen. (Neil L. Andersen, “We Talk of Christ,” *Ensign* or *Liahona*, Nov. 2020, 88, 90)

## “In memory of . . . our religion”

President Dallin H. Oaks of the First Presidency taught:



If we cease valuing our churches for any reason, we threaten our personal spiritual life, and significant numbers separating themselves from God reduce His blessings to our nations.

Attendance and activity in a church help us become better people and better influences on the lives of others. In church we are taught how to apply religious principles. We learn from one another. . . .

. . . I pray that we will all be steadfast in these Church experiences as we seek eternal life, the greatest of all the gifts of God. (Dallin H. Oaks, “The Need for a Church,” *Liahona*, Nov. 2021, 24, 26)

## “In memory of our . . . freedom”

Elder Ronald A. Rasband of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles taught:



What is religious freedom?

It is freedom of worship in all its configurations: freedom of assembly, freedom of speech, freedom to act on personal beliefs, and freedom for others to do the same. Religious freedom allows each of us to decide for ourselves what we believe, how we live and act according to our faith, and what God expects of us. . . .

I invite you to champion the cause of religious freedom. It is an expression of the God-given principle of agency.

Religious freedom brings balance to competing philosophies. The good of religion, its reach, and the daily acts of love which religion inspires only multiply when we protect the freedom to express and act on core beliefs. (Ronald A. Rasband, “To Heal the World,” *Liahona*, May 2022, 91, 93)

## “In memory of . . . our peace”

Elder Jeffrey R. Holland of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles taught:



The Healer of every wound, He who rights every wrong, asks us to labor with Him in the daunting task of peacemaking in a world that won't find it any other way. . . .

. . . I ask us to be peacemakers—to love peace, to seek peace, to create peace, to cherish peace. I make that appeal in the name of the Prince of Peace. (Jeffrey R. Holland, “The Ministry of Reconciliation,” *Ensign or Liahona*, Nov. 2018, 79)

## “In memory of . . . our [families]”

Sister Bonnie L. Oscarson, former Young Women General President, taught:



Everyone, no matter what their marital circumstance or number of children, can be defenders of the Lord's plan described in the family proclamation. If it is the Lord's plan, it should also be our plan! . . .

. . . Let us help build the kingdom of God by standing up boldly and being defenders of marriage, parenthood, and the home. The Lord needs us to be brave, steadfast, and immovable warriors who will defend His plan and teach the upcoming generations His truths.

(Bonnie L. Oscarson, “Defenders of the Family Proclamation,” *Ensign or Liahona*, May 2015, 15, 17)