POWER IN PREPAREDNESS! Week 3: First Aid and Medicines

Family Home Evening—Choose what works for your family.

Songs: We'll Bring the World His Truth, and Faith (Children's Songbook, p. 172 and p. 76); How Firm a Foundation (Hymns, p. 85)

Book of Mormon Story: The stripling warriors

Read Alma 53:16-23; Alma 56:44-57; Alma 57:16-27.

Discussion Questions:

1) How many stripling soldiers were there, and who was their leader?

2,000 (plus 60 more a little later), Helaman

2) What does "stripling" mean?

A youth

3) Why did they fight?

For liberty, to protect the Nephites and themselves from bondage

4) How many stripling warriors were killed?

None of them

5) How many stripling warriors were wounded?

Every one of them

6) Why were they preserved?

Because of the miraculous power of God, and because of their faith in what they had been taught by their mothers

Objectives:

- 1) Having faith, sustaining the priesthood, and keeping our covenants will help to protect us.
- 2) Even the faithful will experience injury and illness.
- 3) We can prepare for medical emergencies by learning first aid skills and storing medical supplies.

Activity Ideas:

- 1) Practice making a phone calll to report an emergency.
- 2) Post emergency first aid instructions inside a kitchen cabinet door.
- 3) Make an emergency and extended family phone list. Make sure to have an out-of-state contact person. Add emails to the list, if desired. Place an emergency phone list in your 72-hour kits.
- 4) Learn about CPR.
- 5) Assemble a first aid kit. Place first aid supplies in your 72-hour kits. Store essential medicines, if possible.
- 6) Store consecrated oil for priesthood blessings in your home first-aid kits, 72-hour kits, car kits, purse, etc.

Treat Ideas:

- a) Life Savers candies
- b) "Death by Chocolate" Brownies
 - 1. Mix together:

³/₄ c. baking cocoa

½ tsp. baking soda

1/3 c. oil

½ c. boiling water

2. Add wet ingredients:

½ c. honey

½ c. brown sugar

2 eggs

⅓ c. oil

1 tsp. vanilla

3. Add dry ingredients:

1½ c. wheat flour

½ tsp. salt

2 c. chocolate chips

(optional: ½ c. chopped nuts)

- 4. Pour into a greased 9" x 13" baking pan.
- 5. Bake at 350 for 15 minutes.

A Comprehensive First Aid List

Equipment

consecrated oil flashlight list of emergency phone numbers instruction book, eye glasses gloves (medical and rubber), goggles medical masks (N-95) CPR mask, bulb syringe, paper bag soap and scrub brush, towel antibacterial hand wash antiseptic towelettes stethoscope, blood pressure cuff thermometer instant cold pack, ice pack instant hot pack, hot water bottle eye cup tweezers, knife, razor blades scissors or EMT sheers tongue depressors cotton balls, cotton swabs matches, safety pins, needles blanket surgical kit, disposable razor snake bite kit medicine dropper, teaspoon

Medicine—Topical

ammonia inhalants alcohol preps, rubbing alcohol hydrogen peroxide eye wash or drops (Visine) antibiotic cream (Neosporin) iodine (Betadine) burn cream (Silvadine) zinc oxide cream (A&D) salve, first aid cream, or petroleum jelly hydrocortisone cream calamine lotion (Caladryl)

Bandages

assorted adhesive bandages, including knuckle, fingertip, and x-large butterfly bandages, steri-strips gauze pads (10 each: 2x2, 3x3, 4x4) stretch gauze (2 each: 1x5, 2x5, 3x5, 4x5) elastic bandages (2 each: 2x5, 3x5, 4x5) tape (sports and duct) moleskin menstrual pads splints: popsicle sticks, paint stirrers, aluminum bars sling, triangle bandages (2) eye patch

Medicine—Internal

Prescription medications (glucose, asthma inhaler) Pain: acetaminophen ibuprofen aspirin Cold and flu remedies: antihistamine (Benadryl) decongestant (Sudafed) expectorant (Robitussin DM, Mucinex) cough drops Stomach remedies: anti-nausea (Pepto Bismol) anti-diarrhea (Kaopectate) antacids (Tums, Maalox) laxative (Ex-Lax) syrup of ipecac, activated charcoal salt, baking soda, Pedialyte Iosat (for nuclear radiation)

How to Place an Emergency Phone Call

- 1. If the victim is not breathing, help first and phone later (or get someone else to phone).
- 2. When an injured person is in distress but is breathing, phone for help at once!
- 3. What to say:
 - a. Tell where you are. If possible, give the address and any special description of how to get to the victim.
 - b. Give your name and the phone number from which you are calling.
 - c. Tell what happened and describe the victim's condition as best you can.
 - d. Don't hang up! Let the emergency person end the conversation. He or she may have questions or information to give you.