

# Using Ordinances Ready to Find Family

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Every member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has an opportunity to move Their Family History work forward. How they participate is up to them and the Lord. Specific talents, abilities, time, resources and availability of temples are factors that influence their choice of opportunities.

## Family History: “In Wisdom and in Order”

**“There is much each member can do toward redeeming the dead—and each can contribute according to individual circumstances and abilities.**

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**“Our effort is not to compel everyone to do everything, but to encourage everyone to do something.**

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**“We think first of submitting names and going to the temple to perform proxy ordinances for those who are dead. But there is much more to this work.”**

<https://www.lds.org/ensign/1989/06/family-history-in-wisdom-and-in-order?lang=eng>



Ordinances Ready is a powerful tool that has been provided to help us locate and help people with their temple opportunities.

Scenario One: Using Ordinances Ready to find a name to do Temple work.

Have Ordinances Ready locate an individual to help with their Temple Work. We should get to know our family members as we help them. View your relationship to see how this person is related to you. Please be sure there are sources that indicate this person has some basic information about them which helps you identify with them. Attach the hints. Check for Possible Duplicates to be sure the Temple Work has not been completed previously. Enjoy your temple experience with them by providing proxy service.

Scenario Two: Many times the Ordinances Ready program is selecting a person in a location of your tree that has not been fully researched. Clues that indicate the research has not been done in that location include Deceased instead of a specific death date, few children or no children and incomplete individual names. Green temples indicating individuals that need proxy help will also be located there along with research problems and hints.

Begin your research with the individual that Ordinances Ready provided. View your relationship to determine where they are in your tree. Begin to identify with your relative. Attach the provided hints, review any research problems, merge all possible duplicates. When this work is completed the first individual is available to have their temple work provided by you.

Review the individuals around your person. Look for clues including Deceased instead of a specific death date, few children or no children and incomplete individual names. Green temples indicating individuals that need proxy help will also be located there along with research problems and hints.

Research the other family members in this section of your tree. Repeat the process from above.

By doing this, you will locate more temple work than you can personally do. Enlist other family members to assist in providing the Temple Work for your ancestors.

**Good things are going to happen!!**