

**Alma 52***Introduction*

- 1 From the Book of Mormon we learn how disciples of Christ live in times of war.  
Ezra Taft Benson, in Conference Report, Oct. 1986, 5; or *Ensign*, Nov. 1986, 7.

**Alma 52:6**

- 2 “kept his men round about” “making preparations”

Our Heavenly Father has organized us into families for the purpose of helping us successfully meet the trials and challenges of life... Our family is our safety place, our support network, our sanctuary, and our salvation.

Rex D. Pinegar, “Home First,” *Ensign*, Mar 1990, p.9.

- 3 Our homes should be the strong place to which children can come for the anchor they need in this day of trouble and turmoil.  
Harold B. Lee, *His Servants Speak*, p. 154

*Conclusion*

- 4 Let us be vigilant to detect and fearless to oppose.  
Gordon B. Hinckley

- 5 Obedience is not a mindless shifting of our responsibility. Instead it is a tying ourselves to a living God who will introduce us—as soon as we’re ready—to new and heavier responsibilities involving situations of high adventure. Obedience, therefore, is not evasion, it is invasion—one that takes us deep into the realm of our possibilities.  
Neal A. Maxwell

- 6 Always live in such a way that when you need the Lord’s blessings, you can call upon Him and receive them because you are worthy... There will come times in your life when you will need immediate blessings. You will need to live in such a way that they will be granted—not out of mercy, but because you are worthy.  
President Gordon B. Hinckley, Sister Dalton’s 2006 Nov. Conference talk

- 7 When obedience to the Gospel ceases to be an irritant and becomes our quest, in that moment God will endow us with power.  
President Ezra Taft Benson as quoted by Elder Donald Staheli Conference April 1998.

- 8 You cannot remotely imagine what that decision to be unwaveringly obedient to the Lord will allow you to accomplish in life. Your quiet uncompromising determination to live righteously will couple you to inspiration and power beyond your capacity to understand.  
Elder Richard G. Scott