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The world's greatest champion of woman and womanhood is Jesus the Christ. (James Talmage)

We know we have and always will exist. We know we have been sent to earth to gain experience and prove ourselves. The decisions we make are vital if we are to gain eternal life and exaltation. We know that this estate is important, and this understanding gives meaning, purpose, and direction in our lives. Ultimately all of us want to learn our lessons well and return home to our loving Heavenly Father. (Mary Ellen Smoot)

Each of us has a vital role, even a sacred mission to perform as a daughter in Zion. It is a new day, the dawning of a new era. It is our time, and it is our destiny to rejoice, as we fill the earth with greater kindness and gentleness, greater love and compassion, greater sympathy and empathy than has ever been known before. Each of us, no matter who we are, no matter where we serve must arise and make the most of each opportunity that comes. (Mary Ellen Smoot)

Our loving Father in Heaven seemed to be whispering to me, “You don’t have to worry over so many things. The one thing that is needful...the only thing that is truly needful...is to keep your eyes toward the sun...my Son.” I know that God loves us individually and collectively as women, and that he has a mission for everyone of us as women, and that he has a mission for everyone of us. (Patricia Holland)

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More than ever we need women of faith, virtue, vision, and charity, as the Relief Society declaration proclaims. We need women who can hear and who will respond to the voice of the Lord, women who at all costs will defend and protect the family. We don't need women who want to be like men, sound like men, dress like men, drive like some men drive, or act like men. We do need women who rejoice in their womanhood and have a spiritual confirmation of their identity, their value, and their eternal destiny. Above all, we need women who will stand for truth and righteousness and decry evil at every turn and simply say, "Lord, here am I, send me." (Russell Ballard)

You are all heaven sent. You are the beautiful adornment of the human race. Your role as sisters is special and unique in the Lord's work. You are the nurturers and the caregivers who have feelings of charity and benevolence. (President James E. Faust)

Being born as women brings to you many endowments that are not common to men and therefore make you unique. I challenge you to reach your potential, to become a person of great worth, to become a great woman. (President James E. Faust)

We are His children, and if we ever got that through our heads thoroughly, understood that completely, we would never do a small thing, we would never say a cross word, we would not use bad language, we would not criticize anybody, we would love everyone the way the Savior loves us. (Marjorie Hinckley)

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No greater status can be conferred upon you than being a daughter of God who experiences true sisterhood, wifehood, and motherhood, or other tasks which influence lives for good. (Spencer W. Kimball)

Our roles and assignments differ. These are eternal differences...with women being given many tremendous responsibilities of motherhood and sisterhood and men being given the tremendous responsibilities of fatherhood and the priesthood...but the man is not without the woman nor the woman without the man in the Lord. (Spencer W. Kimball)

Therefore, how can you and I respectfully expect to glide naively through life, as if to say, "Lord give me experience, but not grief, not sorrow, not pain, not opposition, not betrayal, and certainly not to be forsaken. Keep from me, Lord, all those experiences which made Thee what Thou art! Then, let me come and dwell with Thee and fully share Thy joy! (Neal A. Maxwell)

Assurance and hope come from the Lord. What comfort and gratitude we experience as we kneel to express our thanks for the hope we can feel by trusting in the Lord.

But behold he doth not command us that we shall subject ourselves to our enemies, but that we should put our trust in him, and he will deliver us. (Alma 61:13)

Therefore, lift up your heads and rejoice, and put your trust in God. (Mosiah 7:10)

Yea, and how is it that ye have forgotten that the Lord is able to do all things according to his will, for the children of men, if it so be that they exercise faith in him. Wherefore, let us be faithful to him. (1 Nephi 7:12)

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Wherefore, whoso believeth in God might with surety hope for a better world, yea, even a place at the right hand of God, which cometh of faith, maketh an anchor to the souls of men, which would make them sure and steadfast, always abounding in good works, being led to glorify God. (Ether 12:4)

You need, more and more, to feel the perfect love which our Father in Heaven has for you and to sense the value he places upon you as an individual. Ponder upon these great truths, especially in those moments when (in the stillness of such anxiety as you may experience as an individual) you might otherwise wonder and be perplexed. (Spencer W. Kimball)

FAMILY IS EVERYTHING

Marjorie Hinckley

Sisters, we are all in this together. We need each other. Oh, how we need each other. Those of us who are old need you who are young. And hopefully, you who are young need some of us who are old. It is a sociological fact that women need women. We need deep and satisfying and loyal friendships with each other. These friendships are a necessary source of sustenance. We need to renew our faith every day. We need to lock arms and help build the kingdom so that it will roll forth and fill the whole earth.

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