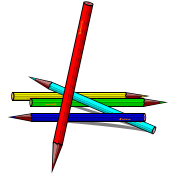




D&G 76



Understanding the Degrees of Glory and Outer Darkness Suggested Marking Guide



UNDERSTANDING THE VISION

- ☑ Turn to D&G 76. *This is a record of a vision of what life is like in the 3 degrees of Glory and Outer Darkness.* Look in the section heading and **mark** the 2 people that saw this vision.
- ☑ In the section heading, underline what Joseph was doing.
- ☑ Circle "Scriptures" and write off to the side of that: "Joseph Smith Translation of the Bible"
- ☑ Circle "Sundry" and write off to the side: **Various**
- ☑ Now... **mark** what was apparent had been taken from the Bible.
- ☑ What had Joseph figured out about "Heaven"? **Mark it**
- ☑ What was the scripture that Joseph Smith was translating, that brought this all on? **circle it**
- ☑ **Look up** that scripture and see what it says.
- ☑ Now **cross-reference** that scripture with 1 Corinthians 15:40-42. In your scriptures write:
x-ref: 1 Cor 15:40-42
- ☑ Consider these questions:
 - Without knowing that there are 3 heavens or "degrees of heaven" or "degrees of glory", if you believed there was only one heaven... how bad can you be and still go to Heaven?
 - What is the cut off?
 - And how would you feel going from church to church being taught different things or requirements about who makes it to heaven and who doesn't? (Like Joseph had been).
 - Take a minute and write your thoughts on a sticky note and put it by the section heading.
- ☑ In verse 1, **mark** who should pay attention to this vision.
- ☑ Circle verse 3, and write off to the side: **No one can stop this vision from eventually happening**
- ☑ Draw an arrow from verse 5 to verse 6.
- ☑ In verse 5, **mark** the 2 "those who..." statements. (the 2 qualities that describe the people who will get verse 6)

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- ☑ Circle "fear me" and write off to the side **they fear God's judgments more than man's judgments** Or in other words, they care more of what God thinks of them than what man thinks of them.
- ☑ With light colored pencil, Draw a sun over verse 6
- ☑ In footnote 6a, put a square around "Celestial Glory" and draw a line connecting that square to the sun you drew.
- ☑ Verses 7-10 describe the kind of knowledge and wisdom a Celestial Being has. Go through and **mark** all the things that describes their knowledge and wisdom.
- ☑ Next to verses 7-10, write **What Celestial Beings are like**
- ☑ Verses 11-18 is Joseph's explanation of how this vision came to happen. Write that off to the side of those verses.
- ☑ Read through those verses and **mark** anything that stands out to you.
- ☑ In verse 19, circle the word "meditated" and write off to the side: **a key to receiving revelation**
- ☑ Draw a line under verse 19. Color that line. Write next to it



The Vision begins

- ☑ **Mark** the 2 people that Joseph and Sidney see in verse 20!
- ☑ **Mark** who else they see in verse 21.
- ☑ When Joseph was writing this vision, he stops and makes an important statement in verses 22-24. Put a big square around all 3 of those verses.
- ☑ **Mark** in verse 22 what their testimony of Christ is.
- ☑ Off to the side, write **Christ is not dead. He lives!**

OUTER DARKNESS

- ☑ Now Joseph will start teaching about Outer darkness and the 3 degrees of Glory.
- ☑ Draw a line under verse 24, and another line under verse 49. **At the beginning** of this section of verses, write:
Lucifer and Outer Darkness

- ☑ Draw an X or a ☹ next to each of those verses.
- ☑ Go back to verse 25. Write **Lucifer** next to that verse.
- ☑ Underline everything you learn about him in that verse.
- ☑ Make sure you **mark** how Heavenly Father felt about him
- ☑ In verse 26, circle Lucifer. Off to the side write **His name means light-bearer and indicates he was in a position of authority there**
- ☑ Now circle "Perdition" and write off to the side: **"Means LOST. Those who had perfect knowledge of God and rejected Him."**
- ☑ **Mark** in verses 26 and 27 how we felt when this happened.
- ☑ After those verses, write:
x-ref: Moses 4: 1-4
- ☑ Get a color you haven't used to mark with yet, and **mark** in verse 28 "While we were yet in the Spirit, the Lord commanded us that we should write". Now mark that same message in verses: **49, 80, and 113.**
- ☑ Go back to verse 28 and write next to it **"We should write down our impressions WHILE we are receiving them"**
- ☑ In verse 28, **mark** all of Lucifer's names.
- ☑ Underline in that verse, what he is seeking to do.
- ☑ In verse 29, **mark** how he is trying to accomplish his goal.
- ☑ Next to that verse, write:
x-ref Moses 7:26
- ☑ **Mark** in verse 30 what you will see in those that he actually overcomes
- ☑ Next to verses 31 and 31, write: **"How people become PERDITION"**
- ☑ **Mark** in those verses what it takes to become Perdition, like Lucifer.
- ☑ **Mark** the sad reality in verse 32.
- ☑ Underline all of the things you learn about Sons of Perdition in verses 33-35
- ☑ Put a box around "go away into the lake of fire and brimstone with the devil and his angels-" and next to that, write **"Outer Darkness/Hell"**

- ☑ In verse 37, circle "Second Death".

Off to the side, write:


First (spiritual death) = The Fall

Second (spiritual death) = Outer Darkness/Hell

- ☑ In verse 38, underline : *shall not be redeemed*. Then draw an arrow from "redeemed" to the space above and write "**spiritually redeemed**".
- ☑ Put a sun, moon and star next to verses 39, and write: The 3 degrees of Glory
- ☑ Highlight the edge of verses 40-43
- ☑ Put a box around "This is the gospel" in verse 40.
- ☑ Draw arrows from that box to verses 41 and 42.
- ☑ Next to those verses, write "**What Perdition KNOWS but openly rejects**".
- ☑ In verse 43 circle the word "After", and write next to it "**they know**".
- ☑ Next to verse 44, write "**Hell**".
- ☑ **Mark** all the things you learn about Hell in verse 44
- ☑ At the end of that verse write "**constant suffering**".
- ☑ Read verses 45-48 where the Lord explains that we will never understand what Outer Darkness is like. **Mark** the parts that stand out to you. And write off to the side "**we will never understand**".

CELESTIAL KINGDOM


- ☑ **Draw a line** under verse 70
- ☑ At the beginning of this section of verses (so by verse 50), write **Celestial Kingdom**

- ☑ **Draw a**  (sun) next to **each of the verses** starting at 50 all the way through 70. (So draw 20 little suns)
- ☑ In verse 50, **highlight** what kind of resurrection these people will have.
- ☑ In the white space at the end of verse 50, write **A "Just" man is** and then draw an arrow from that statement to verse 51.
- ☑ Now, in verses 50-53, **make a list of all of the things Celestial Beings did on Earth**. Number them as you find them. So start by putting a ① next to "who received a testimony of Jesus"
- ☑ Now put a box around verses 54-59. By that box write "**Celestial Life**".
- ☑ At the end of verse 58, write "**My Divine Nature**".
- ☑ Then in footnote 58a, **highlight** "Exaltation; Man, Potential to


Become Like Heavenly Father" and draw a line connecting that phrase to where you wrote "My Divine Nature"

- ☑ **Mark** the promise in verse 60
- ☑ Now **mark** all of the promises for Celestial Beings in verses 61-69
- ☑ In verse 66, circle Mount Zion, and write off to the side **New Jerusalem**
- ☑ **Draw a sun** over the **entire verse 70**

TERRESTRIAL KINGDOM

- ☑ Now **draw a line** under verse 80.
- ☑ At the beginning of this section of verses, write **Terrestrial Kingdom** (so by verse 71)
- ☑ **Draw a**  (moon) by **each** of these verses (so starting at 71 all the way through 80)
- ☑ In verse 71, **mark** how different the glory of Terrestrial beings are from Celestial beings
- ☑ Next to that verse write: **x-ref 1 Corinthians 15:41**
- ☑ Now go through verses 72-75 and **mark** the things you learn about those who go to the Terrestrial Kingdom
- ☑ In verse 76 and 77, **mark** whose presence they will and will not be able to be in.
- ☑ Draw a moon over verse 79
- ☑ **Mark** verse 79. This is the great difference between them and Celestial beings.
- ☑ Circle the word **valiant** and write next to it: **carried out with courage or determination**

TELESTIAL KINGDOM

- ☑ Now **draw a line** under verse 90
- ☑ At the beginning of this section of verses (so by verse 81) write: **Telestial Kingdom**
- ☑ Draw a  (star) next to each verse in this section – **EXCEPT verse 87**
- ☑ In verse 81, **mark** how Telestial beings are different than the other kingdoms
- ☑ Draw a star over that verse
- ☑ **Mark** what you learn about Telestial beings in verses 82-85.
- ☑ **Mark** which member of the Godhead they can be in the presence of in verse 86.
- ☑ Underline who can minister to them in verse 86.

- ☑ **Mark** who can minister to Terrestrial beings in verse 87.
- ☑ Draw a moon next to verse 87.
- ☑ In verse 88, **mark** that telestial beings are "heirs of salvation"
- ☑ In verse 89, **mark** how glorious the Telestial Kingdom is.
- ☑ In verse 90, **highlight** who understands the glory of the Telestial Kingdom

TERRESTRIAL KINGDOM

- ☑ In verse 91, underline all the ways the Terrestrial Kingdom exceeds the Telestial Kingdom
- ☑ Put a moon next to that verse

CELESTIAL KINGDOM

- ☑ In verses 92-95, **mark** all the things the Celestial Kingdom has that the other kingdoms don't have.
- ☑ Draw **suns** next to verses 92-96
- ☑ Draw **one sun** over verse 96

TERRESTRIAL KINGDOM

- ☑ Draw **one moon** over verse 97 and a little moon next to it

TELESTIAL KINGDOM

- ☑ Draw many stars over verse 98. Make the stars different sizes.
- ☑ Put a **star** next to verses 98-112
- ☑ Next to verse 99, write "**they followed men instead of God**"
- ☑ **Mark** the footnote in verse 99
- ☑ Next to verse 100 and 101 write "**they didn't except Christ's Gospel, but rather many churches teachings**"
- ☑ **Mark** what will NOT happen in verse 102
- ☑ **Mark** all of the qualities you learn about Telestial beings in verse 103
- ☑ **Mark** what will happen to them in verses 104-106
- ☑ **Mark** what must happen before they are redeemed from Hell (which is the last resurrection) in verses 107-108.
- ☑ Circle how many Telestial Beings he saw in the vision (verse 109)
- ☑ **Mark** what will eventually happen to ALL MEN in verse 110
- ☑ Draw a Sun, a moon and a star next to verse 111 and highlight the parts in that verse that stand out to you
- ☑ Underline what Telestial beings cannot do in verse 112

ENDING

- ☑ In verses 114-119 **Mark** what it takes to be CAPABLE to know the things that Joseph and Sidney saw