

We all want to strengthen our relationship with the Savior, but we may have a hard time knowing where to begin. In his talk “Your Next Step,” Elder Randall K. Bennet outlines three actions we can take to bring us closer to Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ.

*Become as a child.* When children are learning to walk, they fall over and over. But they get up and try again, which what we need to do in order to draw nearer to Christ. With every humble step we take, he and Heavenly Father are waiting to help us like loving parents help a young child.

*Act with faith.* Sometimes taking steps towards Christ may feel difficult or scary. But Elder Bennet teaches, “Whenever we willingly act with faith in Jesus Christ and take another step, especially an uncomfortable step requiring change or repentance, we are blessed with strength.” Christ will match our efforts as we do our best to draw nearer to him.

*Overcome the natural man.* Elder Bennet teaches that the natural man has a “tendency to procrastinate, to put off, or to give up.” We must overcome this tendency if we hope to come closer to Christ. When we do, make mistakes, we can always repent and continue our journey.

Every time we exercise childlike humility, act with faith, or resist the temptation to give up, we take another step in our journey toward Christ. Elder Bennet promises that as we do so, “each faith-filled step will be met with help from heaven.”

Read Elder Randall K. Bennet’s full talk “Your Next Step” to learn more about how to advance in our journey towards Christ.

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