

New Resources for Understanding Church History

- **History.Ilds.org** is a great place to start. It has links to many of the resources listed below.
- **The Gospel Library Mobile App.** A new section on this app provides a wealth of Church history information to access on mobile devices. Simply scroll to the section labeled “Church History.”
- **Revelations in Context** (history.lds.org/section/revelations). Articles give background information on practically every section of the D&C, often through the story of a particular individual.
- **Pioneers in Every Land** (history.lds.org/section/pioneers). This web page features articles and short videos depicting Latter-day Saint pioneers around the world.
- **Gospel Topics** (topics.lds.org). Study 260 gospel topics. Also read straightforward essays on important historical and doctrinal topics at lds.org/topics/essays.
- **Prophets of the Restoration** (history.lds.org/section/prophets). View short video presentations and online exhibits about the lives of each of the Presidents of the Church.
- **Joseph Smith’s Accounts of the First Vision**(history.lds.org/firstvision). Original sources of Joseph Smith’s four accounts of the First Vision as well as essays and videos that provide context.
- **Instructor’s Resource Page** (history.lds.org/studyguide). Listing of key resources coordinated with the lesson schedules for Gospel Doctrine, Relief Society, and Melchizedek Priesthood meetings.
- **Historic Sites** (history.lds.org/section/historic-sites). Virtual tours of places of the Restoration.
- **Foundations of Faith** (history.lds.org/exhibit/foundations-of-faith). A digital exhibit of records that document the Church’s restoration and growth found in the Church History Library.
- **The Heavens Are Opened** (history.lds.org/maps/the-heavens-are-opened). Use an interactive map to learn about objects from this Church History Museum exhibit. Access all the museum’s online exhibits at history.lds.org/section/museum.
- **Church Historian’s Press** (churchhistorianspress.org). Books published under this imprint provide original source material and historical context. The materials are searchable and freely available online. Publication is ongoing and includes the following:
 - *Joseph Smith Papers* (josephsmithpapers.org). Original documents, transcribed and annotated, that provide in-depth insight on every major aspect of the Church’s founding.
 - *The First Fifty Years of Relief Society* (churchhistorianspress.org/the-first-fifty-years-of-relief-society). Original, annotated documents about the contributions and challenges of Latter-day Saint women in the 19th century.

Non-Church trustworthy sources:

- **Neal A. Maxwell Institute for Religious Scholarship** (maxwellinstitute.byu.edu). A collection of scholarly research designed to deepen understanding of religious texts and traditions. (Formerly F.A.R.M.S. and BYU Studies.)
- **Fair Mormon** (FairMormon.org). Well-reasoned and faithful responses to doctrinal, historical, and social questions.