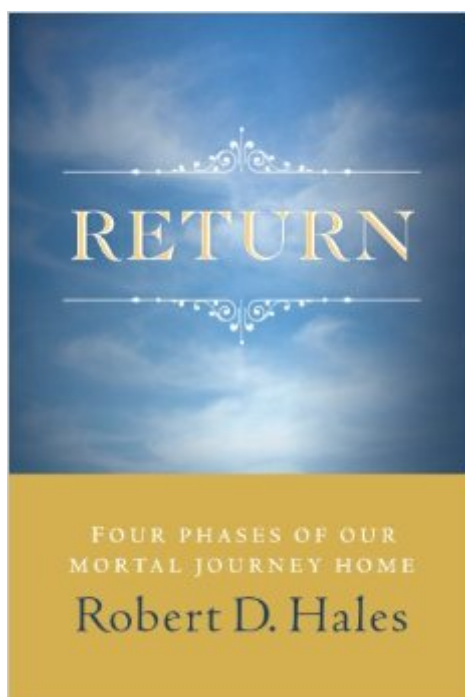


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# Return: Four Phases Of Our Mortal Journey Home



## Synopsis

"Return with honor" is a call that has become familiar to every Latter-day Saint. For Elder Robert D. Hales, this stirring directive was his unit's motto when he served as a jet fighter pilot in the United States Air Force, and he uses it often in his teaching. During his military days, the motto was a constant and powerful reminder to complete each mission honorably - and now it reminds us, the Lord's children, that what we do on earth can make it possible to return with honor to our heavenly home. A beloved member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Elder Hales writes with keen insight and compassion about the orderly preparations we need to make as we travel through mortality. Our journey of life has four vital stages: Decades of Preparation Decade of Decision Decades of Serving and Pressing Forward Decades of Serving and Enduring to the End Elder Hales considers each of these essential periods using vivid stories from his own life, compelling scriptural insights, and the wisdom he has gained through a tender relationship with the Savior. Whatever your stage in life, the message Elder Hales offers in *Return: Four Phases of Our Moral Journey Home* is clear: Keeping sacred covenants, prayerfully making life's important decisions, and embracing the Savior and His Atonement can prepare you for eternal life - the greatest gift of God. This volume is an inspired guide to your journey home.

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I bought and read Hale's book RETURN a couple of days after it appeared and the next day bought copies for each of my 5 children and 23 grand children. As I read, I kept saying to myself: He's

speaking to me or to this child and then to that grandchild. He covers all of life's experiences, from the beginning to the end as far as this 82 year old can remember. Well, I haven't passed through the "gate" yet, but I want to RETURN with HONOR to that kingdom from which I came. Hales isn't preaching to the choir: he seems to be speaking to me and to you. Each chapter is a "study unit" ending with a series of questions. If you can't answer them, go back and read the chapter.

This is one of the best books I've read in years covering basic gospel principles from the LDS perspective. Principles and concepts are clearly explained in a straight up, but loving fashion. Whether you are new to the Church, struggling with your testimony, a teen prepping for a mission, or still hanging in there after years of faithful Church service, you will learn and grow while reading this book. I really liked that while subjects were addressed plainly, they weren't so pared down as to leave a reader with that "been-there-done-that" feeling. Elder Hales has a writing style that is so engaging that I had a hard time putting the book down to go to sleep. I've been recommending this book to everyone from Relief Society presidents to new converts. Even though I've been active in the LDS church my whole life, strong testimony and all that, I felt refreshed and strengthened after reading this. Sometimes you just need a boost spiritually, and this gives a big one. I borrowed my dad's copy and now I want my own! Definitely a book that every LDS home should have---and every LDS person should read. Thank you Elder Hales for writing this.

Great book. We used it for our business class at BYU-Idaho. He speaks very plainly to capture all who would read it. It's great reading cover to cover, but also you're able to just read different chapters if you have an interest or a talk on certain subjects. I'll be using this book well after my course is over.

Reads and laid out as an owners manual for life. This book is detailed, documented & easy to read. Laid out as a plan to help us return to our Heavenly Father. Offers key questions at chapters end to help you realize where you are in the process.

I have really enjoyed this book. There are many great stories within this book that help you to understand your mortal journey.

We saw the author in person and really liked his address. I bought the book for myself. My wife likes it even better than me.

Love this book! It really allows you to ponder your life and see areas that you can change to live a happier life.

I have been a better person, manager, husband, and father this week because of this book

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