



Script for New Beginnings or YW in Excellence

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Songs

**Uses 6 of the 8 songs from the CD "Daughter of a King: The Best of Jenny Phillips for YW."*

1. Daughter of a King (or use video in its place)
2. Virtue (or use video in its place)
3. Valiant Faith
4. Live Like You Believe
5. Beauty Is
6. Happily Ever After (or use video in its place)

Optional Videos

1. Daughter of a King
2. Virtue
3. Happily Ever After

These four-minute videos can be obtained on www.jennyphillips.com (select "Product" and then "DVDs" and then "Jenny Phillips DVD Presentations: Collection I"). Preview the video on youtube.com/jennyphillipsmusic

Narrators

You can use just young women as narrators or young women and leaders (suggested).

SCRIPT-Daughter of a King by Jenny Phillips

Narrator #1

“We are daughters of our Heavenly Father who loves us, and we love Him.”

Optional Video: “*Daughter of a King*”

Narrator #2

With mighty power, God created the earth. He spoke and mountains thrust up from the earth, vast oceans formed, and millions of colossal stars filled the sky. But His greatest work was to create tabernacles, or bodies, for his beloved spirit children. He created man in His own image and likeness. We are the creation and masterpiece of almighty God.

Because Satan does not have a body, he does everything in his power to destroy the sanctity and holiness of the bodies we’ve been given. The results of his work are evident everywhere as we see a flood of immorality, immodesty, and pornography fill the world. As Paul once cried out to his people, so must our Father in Heaven cry out today: “Know ye not that ye are the temple of God?” (1 Corinthians 3:16)

Young women of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints have the incredible blessing of understanding who they really are. Amidst a world of confusion and darkness, it’s inspiring to know that hundreds of thousands, even millions of young women across the world stand each week and say the simple but powerful words, “We are daughters of our Heavenly Father who loves us, and we love him.”

Perform Song: *Daughter of a King*

[Female Soloist & Optional Choir]

OR Play the “*Daughter of King*” Video here in place of performing the song (and don’t play it above)

Narrator #3

In 2008 the value “Virtue” was added to the young women’s theme and the personal progress program. Elaine Dalton wrote “Never has there been a time in the history of the world when virtue is more needed.” (“Cherish Virtue,” January 2011, LDS.org)

Because we are daughters of Heavenly Father, and He loves us, He wants us to be happy. He knows that we cannot be happy if we do not lead a life of virtue. The Apostle Stephen L. Richards wrote “moral virtue is essential to happiness.” (“Where is Wisdom,” pg 218)

Narrator # 4

Sister Dalton taught us what virtue means, she said “*Virtue* is a word we don’t hear often in today’s society, but the Latin root word *virtus* means strength. Virtuous women and men possess a quiet dignity and inner strength. They are confident because they are worthy to receive and be guided by the Holy Ghost.” (October 2008 general conference)

She also taught that “Virtue is a pattern of thought and behavior based on high moral standards. It encompasses chastity and moral purity. Virtue includes modesty—in thought, language, dress, and demeanor. Virtue provides an anchor on the path leading to our Heavenly Father’s presence. The paths of virtue lead to happiness in this life and in the life to come. The paths of virtue lead to strong families. The paths of virtue contain the foundation stones for the blessings of eternity.” (“Cherish Virtue,” January 2011, LDS.org)

George Q. Cannon said, “Virtue lies at the foundation of greatness.” (In Journal of Discourses, 26 vols. [London: Latter-day Saints’ Book Depot, 1854-86], 24:225)

Narrator #1

As young women in the church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, we believe in being virtuous. As Elaine Dalton declared, we also declare: “Now is the time for each of us to arise and unfurl a banner to the world calling for a return to virtue.” (October 2008 General Conference)

Optional Video: “Virtue”**Perform Song: *Virtue***

[Female Soloist]

Narrator #2

“We will stand as witnesses of God at all times, and in all things, and in all places.”

Narrator #3

Before I came to this earth, I promised to be a witness of God at all times. By the things I watch on television, the movies I go to, and the music I listen to, I choose whether or not I am a witness of God. It may not always be easy or popular, but I will not forget why I came to earth and what I promised to do. I will be a witness of God at all times.

Narrator #4

Every week when I repeat the young women theme, I stand and declare that I will be a witness of God. This means that I must live my life differently than much of the world. I will be honest and faithful in my actions because I have promised my Heavenly Father that He can count on me to be His witness on this earth.

Narrator #1

As a young woman in these latter days, I hold the powerful knowledge of who I am and the promises I have made. I will live with valiant faith in my life because I want the Spirit to shine in me. I want to stand out to the world as a witness of God at all times, and in all things, and in all places.

Perform Song: *Valiant Faith*

[Female Soloist]

Narrator #2

The Young Women’s program is not just designed to teach us about Jesus Christ, but it is also designed to help us strive to *live like* Jesus Christ. Faith is the first young woman value we say each week. Faith is the foundation for everything in the gospel. But faith is not just believing in Jesus Christ. The bible dictionary teaches us that faith is more than belief “since true faith always moves its possessor to some kind of physical and mental action.” (BD, 670)

Narrator #3

If we have true faith in Jesus Christ, we will not only believe in Him and His teachings, but we will follow Him and His teachings. The prophet Brigham Young said: “We might cry out, until the day of our death that we love the Savior, but if we neglected to observe his sayings he would not believe us.” (JD17:40)

Living like we believe has to do not only with the young women value of faith, but it also has to do with the value of integrity. In the personal progress program, it says the following about the value of integrity: “I will have the moral courage to make my actions consistent with my knowledge of right and wrong.”

Perform Song: *Live Like You Believe*

[Female Soloist]

Narrator #4

David O. McKay said, “With whatever thoughts you have, almost your outward expression will be shaped. Some or all of you girls wish to be beautiful. Those of you who wish you could be more beautiful . . . should know this, that some of the most beautiful characters in the world have changed their very features by their inward thoughts. They have cherished noble ideals. They have cultivated cheerfulness. They radiate cheer wherever they go.” (*Steppingstones to an Abundant Life*, [Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1971] 57-58) END QUOTE

Nothing will make you as attractive in this world as having the Holy Ghost in your life. The scriptures promise us that when we are virtuous our confidence will wax strong in the presence of God. Women who dress modestly and think and act with virtue, faith, and integrity carry with them a blessing of strength and a beauty of spirit that cannot be duplicated in any other way.

Every one of us has had times when we have gazed into a night bursting with stars or watched a sunset fill the sky with an amazing splendor. At times like these, we are reminded of the majesty of the creator’s hand. He has designed us to be His most beautiful creation. It’s not through makeup or size 4 designer jeans that we will become the masterpiece God designed for us to be.

When we live the young women values such as faith, integrity, virtue, and good works, we develop beauty that will never fade. When we live the young women values, we are able to clearly see the power and worth of our divine identities as daughters of God.

Perform Song: *Beauty Is*

[Female Soloist]

Narrator #1

Elder Uchtdorf taught “beloved young sisters, stay true to what you know is right. Everywhere you look today, you will find promises of happiness. Ads in magazines promise total bliss if you will only buy a certain outfit, shampoo, or makeup. Certain media productions glamorize those who embrace evil or who give in to base instincts. Often these same people are portrayed as models of success and accomplishment.

“In a world where evil is portrayed as good and good as evil, sometimes it is difficult to know the truth... We all search for happiness, and we all try to find our own “happily ever after.” The truth is, God knows how to get there! And He has created a map for you; He knows the way . . . All you have to do is trust your Heavenly Father. Trust Him enough to follow His plan.” (General Conference, April 2010)

Play Video: “Happily Ever After”**OR Perform Song: “Happily Ever After”**

[1-2 Female Soloists]

Optional Leader Testimony

Have a YW leader, bishopric member, etc bear their testimony about how the young women’s program and the gospel of Jesus Christ lead to happiness and peace in this life and eternal life in the world to come.

Program Instructions

The Program

Daughter of a King is a musical program that can be put on by wards or stakes. This 30-45-minute long program celebrates the individual worth of young women and the young women personal progress program. This performance doesn't require any costumes, props, or scenery.

When to put on the Program

You can put on *Daughter of a King* any time of the year as a ward or stake fireside, youth fireside, New Beginnings program, Young Women in Excellence program, or youth activity.

What you need to put on the Fireside

- **Accompaniment Tracks or Sheet Music.** You may use the accompaniment tracks included on the CD; use a pianist; or use a combination between the two.
- **Copyright Permission.** Sheet music for *Daughter of a King* may be copied without permission. However, burning copies of the CD or any portion of the CD is prohibited by law. Visit www.jennyphillips.com to buy the CDs for \$3 each (when you buy 5 or more). The CDs include all the songs and accompaniment tracks.
- **A Sound System.** Your church should have microphones and microphone hook-ups in the cultural hall. You will also need a way to play the minus tracks CD. Many times someone in the ward/stake has a sound system you can borrow, or you can even bring in a nice boom box.
- **DVD of the Video Clip & Video Projector (optional):** If you are using the optional 4-minute video clips as part of the program, you will need a video projector. You can buy the video clips on DVD at jennyphillips.com (click on "Product" "DVDs" and choose "*Jenny Phillips DVD Presentations: Collection I*"). You can connect a DVD player or a lap-top computer that plays DVDs to the video projector to play the clips.
- **Singers.** There is 1 song with choir parts on it, "Daughter of a King," and the rest are solos. You could perform with as little as 4-people, as a quartet, or you can have as many people as you want in the choir. We suggest that you have at least 10 people in the choir. You can use as many or as few soloists as you want. Each song does not need to be performed with a different soloist. And each song could be sung by a group instead of a soloist.
- **Narrator(s).** The program script suggests using both adult leaders (one adult for all the adult parts or different adults for each one) and youth narrators. However, you are welcome to use all youth narrators if you would like.

Tips/Ideas

- Simply the choir music as much as you need. For example, you don't need to break out in parts if it is too difficult for your Young Women. You could do all the choir songs in unison.
- You could end with a talk by your bishop, stake president, Young Women's president, etc. Or you could end with a testimony meeting for your youth.
- Before, after, or during the program, prepare a "Royal Feast" (dinner) for those attending.
- If putting the program on in the cultural hall, you could decorate the stage or cultural hall as a castle.

Downloads & Helps

On www.jennyphillips.com, you can download posters, flyers, invitations, and other materials for the program (go to "Free Downloads").