

Cub Scout Religious Square Knot

“We encourage you to learn and live the gospel, serve others, and use the talents Heavenly Father has given you to learn and do many good things. Earning the Faith in God Award will help you become the kind of person you would like to be and the person Heavenly Father knows you can become” (Message from the First Presidency, *Faith in God for Boys* guidebook [2003], 1).

There are **TWO** separate awards that **Primary-age boys may earn**. Requirements for both awards are in the *Faith in God for Boys* guidebook. Working on them at the same time will make it easier to complete the requirements for both.

1. **The Faith in God Award** (for both boys and girls; must be earned before turning age twelve).
2. **The Cub Scout Religious Square Knot** (the uniform patch for Cub Scouts; must be earned before turning age eleven).

Purpose of the *Faith in God for Boys* Guidebook

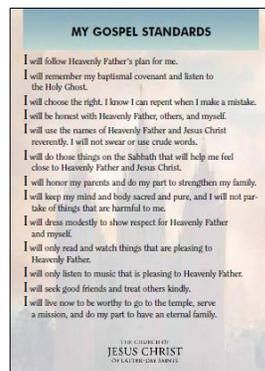
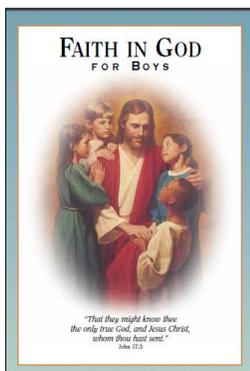
The purpose of the *Faith in God for Boys* guidebook is to help boys ages eight through eleven live gospel principles, develop testimonies, build friendships, and prepare to receive the Aaronic Priesthood. Boys who complete the requirements in the guidebook before they reach their twelfth birthday can earn the Church’s Faith in God Award.

Recognition for accomplishments should be ongoing, as follows:

1. As children complete activities, they can track their progress by marking the chart on page 20 of the guidebook.
2. At least twice a year, a Primary activity day (or a Cub Scout pack meeting) should include opportunities for the children to share what they have learned and accomplished.

An important part of faith in God is keeping your baptismal covenant and staying spiritually strong. To help you develop faith and resist temptation, do the following things:

- Pray daily to Heavenly Father.
- Read the scriptures regularly.
- Keep the commandments and live “My Gospel Standards” (on back cover of *Faith in God for Boys* guidebook).
- Honor your parents and be kind to your family.
- Pay your tithing and attend tithing settlement.
- Attend sacrament meetings and Primary regularly.



Information About the Religious Square Knot



- The religious emblem patch for BSA youth members is a silver knot on a purple background. Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts can earn this award by completing the seven specific activities indicated in the *Faith in God for Boys* guidebook with the  (square knot symbol) next to them.
- The Cub Scout award must be earned before a boy turns eleven. It is recommended that it be earned in the Bear or Webelos years.
- The square knot is usually awarded during a pack meeting.
- The patch should be sewn above the left pocket, and may later be worn on the Boy Scout or Venturing uniform. If a boy earns the award again as an older Scout, he may be awarded a miniature device to attach to the patch. An adult who earned the award as a youth member may wear the patch on his adult Scout uniform.

Requirements for the Cub Scout Religious Square Knot

Learning and Living the Gospel

(*Faith in God for Boys*, [2003], 6–7)

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- Give a family home evening lesson on Joseph Smith’s First Vision (see Joseph Smith—History 1:1–20). Discuss how Heavenly Father answers our sincere prayers. 
- Give an opening and a closing prayer in family home evening or at Primary. Share your feelings about how prayer protects us and helps us to stay close to Heavenly Father and the Savior. 
- Tell a story from the Book of Mormon that teaches about faith in Jesus Christ. Share your testimony of the Savior. 
- Prepare a pedigree chart with your name and your parents’ and grandparents’ names. Prepare a family group record for your family and share a family story. Discuss how performing temple work blesses families. 

Serving Others

(*Faith in God for Boys*, [2003], 9)

- Write a letter to a teacher, your parents, or your grandparents telling them what you appreciate and respect about them. 
- Read the twelfth article of faith. Discuss what it means to be a good citizen and how your actions can affect others. 

Developing Talents

(*Faith in God for Boys*, [2003], 10)

- Write a poem, story, or short play that teaches a principle of the gospel or is about Heavenly Father’s creations. 

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This is to certify that	

Name of Cub Scout	
has completed the requirements to earn the Religious Square Knot.	
	
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Den leader's signature	Cubmaster's signature
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Bishop's or COR's signature	Date