

Low Hanging Fruit

Part 2: Strategy



Low Hanging Fruit: Part 2 Cousin Finding Strategy

Key Concepts



- Use Google Chrome
- Find an 8-10th Generation Ancestor on Relative Finder
- Open Ancestor in FamilySearch and Search Descendants Using Hope Chest
- Verify Names of Hope Chest List are Ready for Temple Work
- Reserve Names for Temple Ordinances


Choosing a Browser

1. Use Google Chrome (the strategy will only work in this browser)
 - a. Refer to “Low Hanging Fruit: Part 1” for setup instructions



Step 1: Find an Ancestor in Relative Finder

1. Find a friend who is not related to you to connect with on Relative Finder
2. Within Chrome, go to relativefinder.org
3. On the Relative Finder home page select
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4. Enter your FamilySearch username and password, and then select “Sign In”
5. Once you are logged in, select
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6. From the drop-down menu, select “With Living Person”
7. Once on the Connect with Friends page:
 - a. You
 - i. Select “Create” in the Start Session box
 - b. Your unrelated friend
 - i. Enter your Session ID in their Join Session box

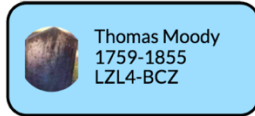
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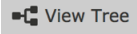

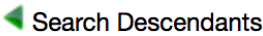

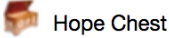
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- Find one of the ancestors that you and your friend have in common who is 8-10 generations back, and then select “View” by that ancestor’s name
- Click on the ancestor to open their Person Page in FamilySearch



Step 2: Search Descendants in FamilySearch With Hope Chest

- At the top of your ancestor’s Person Page, select  View Tree
- On your ancestor’s tree, ensure that the spouse listed for your ancestor in Relative Finder is displayed on the tree
- Select the Hope Chest icon in the top left corner of your browser ()
- From the drop-down menu, select  Search Descendants
- Hope Chest will begin scanning your tree, depending on the number of descendants available, this could take 5 minutes to 4+ hours (so you may want to walk away and come back unless there are a lot of green boxes on the screen immediately)
- Again, select the Hope Chest icon in the top left corner of your browser ()
- From the drop-down menu, select  Hope Chest
- Once you are in the Hope Chest app, begin to systematically verify that each person on the Hope Chest list is ready for temple ordinances

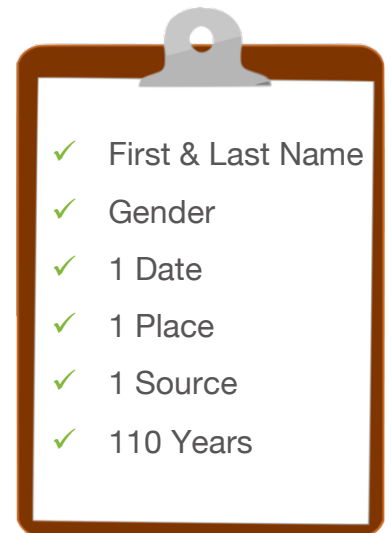
Step 3: Verify Readiness for Temple Ordinances

- Within the Hope Chest app, identify a person you would like to verify if they are ready for temple ordinances
- Select the orange profile button next to their name ()
- On this person’s page, verify that the criteria to the right is met
- If all the criteria to the right is met, skip to Step 4 and reserve their temple ordinances
- If you are missing any information, or a source, finding a source to attach will help you complete the criteria
- Look for a blue Record Hint icon along the upper-right side of your ancestor’s Person Page



- If there are no record hints, return to Step 3.1 and identify a different person who has a record hint
- Select the name to the right of the record hint icon and verify that at least 3 pieces of data on the record match or are close to the information on your ancestor’s person page (only about 1 out of 20 record hints will not be a match)
- If it is a record about your ancestor, scroll down and select

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10. Compare the record information (on the left) to the information from the Person Page (on the right) to ensure that they match
11. Add any needed information from the record to the person page by simply clicking “Add”
12. Attach the record to your ancestor by giving a reason for why they match and selecting the blue “Attach” button
13. Attach this record to all other family members listed on the record by selecting

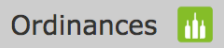



14. After selecting “Compare” next to the family member’s name, their section expands
15. You can complete Steps 3.10-12 for each family member on the record
16. If that family member is not yet listed in your family tree you will see the following button next to their name (instead of “Compare”):




17. Select “Add” to add this person as a family member in Family Tree
18. A side bar will popup, with the family member’s information, adjust this information as needed and indicate if this person is deceased or living
19. Then select “Create Person” and complete Steps 3.10-12 for this family member.
20. Once all family members on the record are attached, select name of the person (identified in Step 3.1) in the upper left corner
21. Repeat Steps 3.8-20 for every Record Hint listed for this person
22. At the end of that process, all the criteria for verifying this person is ready of temple ordinances should be met, and you are ready to move onto Step 4
23. If, however, at the end of the attaching records process all of the criteria has not been met, return to Step 3.1 and find another person for whom you can verify readiness for ordinances

Step 4: Reserving Temple Ordinances

1. At the top of your ancestor’s Person Page, select

2. To reserve available ordinances, select

3. In the popup window, ensure there are no yellow warning messages, and then select “Request” to continue with the reservation
4. Read the Church Temple Ordinance Policy, indicate that you agree and select “Add to Temple Ordinance List”

Step 5: Printing Ordinance Cards

1. At the very top of any FamilySearch page, select “Temple”
2. On the temple page, select the checkboxes next to the names of the ancestors you want to print ordinance cards for, then select the blue “Print” button
3. From the drop-down menu, select

4. Read the first and second popup boxes and click “Continue” when you are done with each
5. A PDF version of the cards will open in a new tab, select your printer and click “Print”
6. After these have printed, close the browser tab, and select “Yes” to verify the cards printed