

Swedenborg's Rules of Life

When Emanuel Swedenborg died his good friend, Samuel Sandels (1724-1784), gave a speech about him in the Swedish House of Nobles on October 7, 1772. Sandels mentioned many wonderful things Swedenborg had done. In his speech Sandels said he had found Swedenborg's Rules of Life among his papers. He read Swedenborg's Rules of Life to everyone who had gathered to honor him. Others in England claimed to have found Swedenborg's Rules of Life too, but an original copy has not been found.

Swedenborg's Rules of Life give important ideas about how we should live from the Writings for the New Church. When Sandels spoke about Emanuel's character, he said these rules summarized how he had lived his earthly life. As you do this project, think about Emanuel's faithful service to the Lord.

Materials Needed

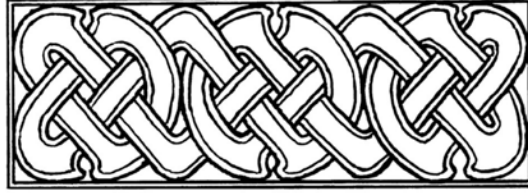
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markers or colored pencils

optional: stiff paper for printing

Directions

Decorate *Swedenborg's Rules of Life* to display.



Rules of Life

Diligently to read and meditate on the Word of God.

To be content under the dispensations of God's providence.

To observe propriety of behavior and to keep the conscience clear.

To obey what is ordered, to attend faithfully to one's office and other duties and in addition to make one's self useful to society in general.



Emanuel Swedenborg

