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"And blessed are they who shall seek to bring forth my Zion at that day,
for they shall have the gift and the power of the Holy Ghost;" 1 Nephi 3:187

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CHARITY

Charity pure
And charity sweet,
Blessing the place
Where true brothers meet,

As I receive
And as I partake,
Let me achieve,
For others' dear sake,

Grace to bestow
That purest of love —
Pure as the light
That beams from above.

Let me include
And let me enfold
Even the sheep
That stray from the fold,

Knowing full well
My own faulty way;
Knowing how oft
My feet go astray.

Help me forgive
The faults that I see;
If they're in him,
They're also in me.

Charity pure
And charity sweet,
Touch every soul
I meet on the street!

May I learn well
This lesson divine:
Our Savior, The Lord,
Is his, as He's mine!

—Evalena Sills

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Editorial . . .

THE FLESH AND THE SPIRIT

Right from the beginning man was given to know that the Spirit of God would not always strive with him. When man became determined to go his own way without the guidance of the Lord he was left to himself to bear the burdens of life and to face the consequences of his own decisions. A proverb says, "There is a way which seemeth right unto man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." This scriptural fact has been proven in the lives of whole generations of people. Today the wisdom of man is directing and counseling the multitudes of the earth in the ways that seem right. The broad way becomes wider with each new precept of man.

The cunning deceptions of the devil are not discernible to the great majority of the peoples of the world, but a mere comparison made between the teachings of modern man and the teachings of Christ can show where man has relied upon the inspiration of the evil one and has departed from the truths of the gospel. Deception has been and still is one of the greatest weapons of the devil. He winds his flaxen cord around the necks of his prey by causing them to reason contrary to the truth.

Man must realize that he, in his own strength, is no match for Satan or any evil spirit. The Spirit of God is the only power that can effectively counter the advances of the evil one. Those who reject the Spirit of God are making themselves subject to the will of the devil.

The weakness of man in the flesh allow evil spirits to tempt man into error and sin. The weaknesses are the doors by which Satan can enter. The spirit of man is that which is closest to God and if man obeys the promptings of the Holy Spirit, he can overcome his weaknesses and can become strong in the truth.

The scriptures indicate that a good spirit and an evil spirit cannot dwell together congenially. We are enticed by both good and evil, and it is ours to choose which we will obey. We cannot serve both good and evil at the same time.

James advises us to resist the devil and he will flee from us. That which we recognize as evil can be put from us if we have sufficient desire to resist it. If we do not resist an evil spirit it will move in and repel the good spirit causing it to leave. Under such circumstances we will no longer have the benefit of the guidance of the good spirit and the devil will continually increase his power over us until he has complete control. On the other hand, when the good spirit is guiding us, the evil spirit cannot occupy and control us.

Although man is created in the image of God, the natural man does not characterize God for the natural man is in a fallen state and the will of the flesh is

dominant. The scriptures tell us that the natural man is an enemy to God because Adam's sin brought all humanity under the fall. By nature the human gravitates toward that which is carnal, sensual and devilish. The flesh, having come from the earth, has a natural pull toward things of the earth which is necessary to sustain life and give it rest and comfort.

Man in his fallen state has a kinship to the devil and his angels who are also in a fallen state. The human wills are constantly subject to be attracted to the numerous evils that are characteristic of the devil, and sin is the result of man's yielding to such attractions. Man, however, is not in the exact same state as the devil and his angels; provision has been made that man might be reclaimed from his fallen state through the blood of Christ and a time of probation has been granted. The blood of Christ and a time of probation has been granted that he might choose between good and evil. Satan and his angels are not in a probationary state and their final end is a condition of endless torment described as fire and brimstone.

The powers that exist in the spiritual realm are not generally known to most people. They are, nonetheless, very real. All evil powers and spirits are obedient to Satan and are in the same state of misery that he is. Being the first to fall and the father of lies, he is the leading influence among the evil spirits.

The scriptures reveal the fact that there are individual spirits or devils that can possess people and impose their identifiable wills and moods upon the

persons. They can take control of a person's thoughts and actions causing the person to do things which are not normal for the person.

The less discernable spirits are called "familiar spirits." These appeal to the curiosity and imagination of man because they can be used to communicate between man and the spirit world. Any involvement with such spirits can be very regrettable.

God has not left man at a disadvantage; as long as man will seek to do good, God will help him maintain a balance whereby he can be free to choose between good and evil. Mormon tells us that the Spirit of Christ is given to every man that he might know good from evil. This reassuring fact gives us the understanding that God would have us to learn of Him through faith in Jesus Christ and to develop an appreciation of His goodness through the enticings of His Holy Spirit. This development of appreciation should create a change in the person by the overcoming of the natural man and the flesh to the ultimate development of a "new man."

Through obedience of the gospel of Christ, our bodies become the temple of the Holy Ghost and we become sons and daughters of God, "heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ." We are then able to cry "Abba, Father," as did Paul and to say, "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God."

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SERMON

by

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As our brother gave the introduction some thoughts went through my mind. Why are we here? For what purpose did we assemble ourselves together this morning? What were the desires and intents of our hearts? In what attitude did I come? Did I come just because I thought it necessary for my salvation? Or did I come because everybody thinks I should be here? Did I come because I feel I have to, or willingly, in the proper attitude and desire? If we assemble ourselves together thinking, "Well, I'm here because I have to be," this is not very pleasing to our Lord and Saviour. We have to come with purpose in our hearts, desire to serve God, willingness to sacrifice when necessary those things that may seem important, that may take first place in our hearts, ahead of God. We have to put God first; our desire must be to God before anything else.

Many of us attended a wedding ceremony last evening. As I sat there and listened to the wedding vows, I thought back to our own wedding and of the coven-

ant that we all make with each other, our husbands and wives. The covenant that we made was to love and honor each other, to keep ourselves from all others and only for our mates. We make a similar covenant with our Lord when we enter into this Church of Christ. When we went into the waters of baptism we were making a covenant: to change the things that were amiss, to do to the best of our ability those things that would please God, to follow His commandments. We may have our own ideas how we should worship, how we should approach God. You know, sometimes our thoughts of how to serve God are different from what He may desire in our service, our worshipping together.

We have in our church two books of scripture. In them are the commandments, how we should conduct ourselves, what attitude we should have towards our brothers and sisters, what attitude we should have toward God Himself, what we must do and what we shouldn't do. There are basically two sides to the gospel. One side says, "If we don't do such and such

something bad is going to happen." It also tells us of terrible things that are going to come upon this world. The other side tells us that if we keep the commandments of God, if we do strive with all our mights to serve Him, He has a promise for us, a promise of life eternal with Him. Also, I believe, we have promises for this life, of blessings He will give us if only we will serve Him.

We find in the scriptures many rules and regulations. Maybe I shouldn't use those words, but in effect that is what they are. If we twist or forget them in part, or add some of our own, we are breaking those rules and regulations. There's only one way — through Christ — that we can attain salvation. Christ also said, "If you love me, you'll keep my commandments." These commandments were given to us for guidance, for hope, for courage.

Sometimes we look at the world and see the things that are wrong, the things that don't please us; we can see, if we have our eyes open, the direction this world is taking. Sometimes our hearts faint for fear; there's no possible way we can survive, no way we as human beings can overcome and live through the things that are going to happen to this world. On our own we can't! It's only through the power and mercy of God and His Son Jesus Christ that we can hope to overcome.

Matthew tells of things that are going to happen, I believe, in our time. I expect to live to see these things come to pass. I'm going to try and press on our minds the things that are going to come about, the promise Gods holds out to us, and the means by which we may expect God's mercy to have an effect upon us.

"Take heed that **no man deceive you**. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see **that ye be not troubled**; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows" (Matt. 24:4-8).

These things were given us for signs. When we're driving down the highway and see a sign that says, "Independence — 85 miles", it's a sign that we're getting close; we're on the right road. Christ gave us these words as signs of the time we're living in, signs of those things that are going to come upon this world. In some way, I think, multitudes will be brought to us through the temptations and trials that will wake people up to what God has for us, His people.

"Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prop-

hets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. **But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved**" (Ibid 9-13).

We might ask ourselves, "What do we have to endure, what things may we have to overcome, or even bear?" Some things I don't think we can overcome; all those things that may be troubling us spiritually or physically. But God says that **we won't be tempted above that which we can endure; that He will provide a way out**. I think to endure would be to live this gospel throughout our lives from the time we entered into the waters of baptism. I believe we came out with a clean slate, our sins forgiven, nothing against us. What we do from this time forward will determine where we will spend eternity. We must endure to the end.

We must keep God's commandments, those things He told us to do. In many cases we must suffer persecution, ridicule from friends, neighbors and those we work with; in general, I think, we may have the finger of the world pointed at us. I read a placard once which said, "If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?" If we were brought into court and tried for being Christians, would they convict us — or would they let us go? Would there be enough evidence against us to convict us — of what we claim to be?

We have to take this gospel seriously; we must apply it each and every day to our lives.

"For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved; but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened" (Matt. 24:21, 22).

Who are the elect? Those who have taken upon them the name of Christ and made a commitment to follow Him. This **could** be talking of you and me; we **could** be the elect.

"Then if any man shall say unto you, Go, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before" (Ibid 23-25).

In the 21st chapter of Luke we're told basically the same thing. I think it's divided into three segments of time, of which the last part is yet to come, or is just at the beginning. At the end of the chapter Christ gives us a promise.

"And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always,

that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man" (Ibid 34-36).

I'm reminded of the virgins, the five foolish and the five wise. Remember, they all slumbered and slept, but some had enough oil to qualify them to enter in to the feast. Maybe these five foolish ones cared a little too much about the world and the things it has to offer, those things that interfere with keeping the lamps burning. But, they **all** slumbered and slept. We all are not fully aware, maybe, of the times that we live in, what we really have to do to enter into the kingdom of heaven.

"For as a snare shall it come upon all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, **that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.**" Some conditions, I think, are attached to this promise, but **it** is a promise. I'm reminded of a man who sits down at his table and prays for food. But unless this man goes out and earns that food, God is not going to set it on his table. We have to do our parts, do something to be worthy to receive. I believe as we pray that we may be accounted worthy to escape these things, a requirement is put on each and every one of us. First of all, find out what we have to do to escape these things. Second, apply it. And this is a seven day a week job, twenty four hours a day. We have to apply it each day as if there is no tomorrow. Brothers and sisters, one of these days there's not going to be a tomorrow as we know it! If we're caught sleeping, unaware and unprepared, we could be left on the outside, be cast aside.

The Apostle Paul wrote, "Let us go on unto perfection." He didn't say that we were going to be perfect today or tomorrow, but to always strive to obtain that perfection. Maybe anything less than this on our parts could be held against us. You may ask yourself, "What can I do, how can I further this gospel, how can I make myself better each day?" We can say that we don't do anything **wrong**, we don't seem to hurt anybody. But, our desire for this gospel, our desire to live and spread it, must grow day by day! We can spread it by our actions, by what we say and what we don't say. We can hinder the spreading of this gospel. Someone might say, "I know somebody that's in your church, but I don't think he's much different from anybody else, not much different from the person next door to me who doesn't go to church." Each of us has a part; each of us can spread this gospel and each of us can hinder its spreading.

"For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revelings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you: who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead" (1 Pet. 4:3-5).

We may have partaken of these things before we entered this gospel. Peter infers that these people did. They changed. Their thoughts, the places they wanted to go, the things they wanted to do, changed. They were not the same people as before; they were different. People thought it strange. People think we're strange if we don't partake of some of their things. Can we excuse ourselves before God? Is there any place for excuses? Are we going to stand before God and say, "I didn't do it because - - -"? I don't think that we're going to be able to have an excuse. We can make an excuse for doing or for not doing almost anything, but we should ask ourselves, "Is this a good reason?"

"For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and **watch unto prayer.** And above all things have fervent **charity** among yourselves: for **charity** shall cover the multitude of sins" (Ibid 6-8).

I wonder sometimes if we're fully aware of that one word, if we're fully aware of what kind of people we have to be to have the charity that's talked about in the scripture. We have a love for our families, a love for our friends. Then I think we must have a love in our hearts above this, beyond this. The Book of Mormon gives a definition of charity.

"And if a man be meek and lowly in heart, and confesses by the power of the Holy Ghost, that Jesus is the Christ, he must needs have charity; for if he have not charity, he is nothing; wherefore he must needs have charity. And charity suffereth long, and is kind, and envieth not, and is not puffed up, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, and rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth, beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things; wherefore, my beloved brethren, if ye have not charity, ye are nothing, for charity never faileth. Wherefore, cleave unto charity, which is the greatest of all, for all things must fail; but **charity is the pure love of Christ**, and it endureth for ever; and whoso is found possessed of it at the last day, it shall be well with them. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, **pray** unto the Father with all the energy of heart, that ye may be filled with this love which he hath bestowed upon all who are true followers of his Son Jesus Christ, that ye may become the sons of God, that when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is, that we may have this hope, that we may be purified even as he is pure" (Moroni 7:50-53).

Paul also said that if a man knew all things, could prophecy, could do all things, yet didn't have charity he was nothing. And, surely, we're not happy when people do wrong; we're not happy when we do wrong.

We seek those things that are righteous, that are true. It may be well when we have a time by ourselves to think upon the love of Christ. It gives us an idea of how we must feel, first of all towards God, and then towards our brothers and sisters.

As we read this scripture we should **think** and not just read and say, "We shall be like Him." We must think what it **means** to be like Him. "For we shall see him as he is." Christ is going to see us as we are, too. We can hide our thoughts, our feelings, our true desires from each other; it's impossible to hide them from Christ. When we stand to give an account, we can't hide the intents of our hearts. "That we may have this hope, that we may be purified even as he is pure."

"According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness: And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity" (2 Pet. 1: 3-7).

We can see the steps, the things we have to possess to have charity. Charity is not just a word that we say; it goes much deeper than that. It goes as deep as the love that God has for us, the love that He has for all mankind. He gave His only begotten Son to the world.

"Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God" (1 Pet. 4: 9, 10).

If we do things without a willing heart it counts to us for nothing. It tells us in the scripture that if we give a gift, not wanting to give it, doing it grudgingly, it's the same as if we had not given it at all. If we've received a gift, and if we endure unto the end we'll receive the gift of eternal life. The gift of this gospel, as we have received it, we should share it with others. We're going to be held accountable for what we did or didn't do with what we have. Whether we have much or not very much, we're still going to be held accountable for what we've done with the gift we have.

"If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in **all things** may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also

with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evil doer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf" (Ibid, 11-16).

Let us not be ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Let's not be ashamed of what God has given us. Let us not be ashamed to live the way God wants us to live, for in these scriptures is the way to eternal life. In these scriptures is the fullness of the gospel.

"For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the **righteous scarcely be saved**, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator" (Ibid, 17-19).

This doesn't give us much leeway, does it? It doesn't give us much to come and go on. We must commit ourselves unto God; we must humble ourselves before our Master and ask Him to take our lives, ask Him to keep us.

Brothers and sisters, in our own strength we can't make it. It's only through the mercy of our God that we can stand before Him blameless. I'm trying to bring to our minds that we must live each day the way God wants us to, must sometimes put aside our own feelings and desires and concentrate on what God wants us to do. The only place where we can find out what God wants us to do is the scriptures, through the power of the Spirit.

I believe the only way we can get the true and full meaning of the scriptures is by the power of God through His Spirit. If we strive with our energy to do the thing God wants us to, He's promised blessings in this life, and, best of all, that eternal home with Him.

As we look around and see the things that are coming on the world we should examine ourselves and see where we stand, exactly where we are. It's very easy to get complacent and drift along, to get caught in a routine, a rut: to say, "All is well with me; I don't think I have to do any more; I feel I'm doing quite enough." I don't think any of us has reached the point where we can't do more and do better.

We say we realize terrible things are going to happen; we may fear and tremble. We should tremble before God, but we should also look at the things He has promised. We should not fear what might happen to us as humans.

God has promised us a place of refuge and protection, that we know as Zion. If we are counted wor-

thy I believe that each of us can have a place in this Zion, a place where God will protect and keep us. Even if many of us find ourselves in times of trouble or temptation, times when we may not be within the protection of this boundary, I believe God can give us the strength to endure. Christ never promised us that we wouldn't suffer, but He gave us the promise that we wouldn't be tempted with anything we couldn't bear. I don't think we'll be asked to endure anything that we won't be given the strength, in that very hour, to endure. I don't think that we should fear things that may happen to us as individuals. Put our trust, our faith, our hope in God. He will give us protection at that time. Even to the laying down of our lives, He'll be with us.

We all know of Stephen's stoning. We can imagine the pain of such a death. The Spirit of God came upon him so greatly and so mightily that he looked up into heaven and saw the glory of God! I don't think he was really aware of what was happening to his physical body. I believe God will give us strength to endure, strength to overcome any pain or temptation that may befall us.

Paul writes, "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (2 Tim. 1:7). He has given us strength we can't receive from the world. God has given us something special, something that should be precious to us. He's given us the gospel and He's given us a church, a vehicle to carry it. Also, if we are born of the Spirit, have buried our old man, He's given us newness of

mind, newness of spirit, of hope, faith, love. Be good stewards of the bounty of God. When I speak of the bounty of God I speak of physical, things we can see, and also of spiritual. God has entrusted us with this gospel; He's entrusted us to be good caretakers of it; whether we be of the ministry of not we have our part. Each of us, to God, has an important part in this gospel; each of us has a part to play, a work to do. I pray that each of us will strive, will strive to do what God has asked us to do. God does not force us into anything; He leads us, guides us. He may push us a bit, but He doesn't force us. He doesn't force us to accept this gospel. We must accept it willingly. He doesn't force us to live it the way we should. We have to do it willingly, because we want to.

I'd like to close with something that the psalmist David wrote many, many years ago.

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore" (Psalm 121).

HIGHLIGHTS OF SERMON

by

William A. Sheldon

Apostle Paul tells us that we are called to be saints. We have been known as latter day saints since the Church was established in 1830, but we are only saints if we keep the commandments of God. Only the saints will "stand" in these last days, and Christ has said: "Pray that ye may stand."

Many years ago, Bro. Flint asked the question: What is a saint? A little girl answered: One that the light shines through. This is the light of Christ: His gospel evident in our lives. Perhaps few of us could be called saints, but if ever there was a time we should be saints, it is now!

God has great honor prepared for His saints, here upon the earth, before they go beyond to receive their final reward. In the final reward, it is said: "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him" (1 Cor. 2:9). If we believe this, should we not be preparing ourselves? In a recent

conversation with Bro. Kidd, he referred to this text, and mentioned that he had asked one: What is the greatest thing you can imagine to happen to you? Whatever it is, put it out of your mind, for that is not as great as what God has in store for his people. We must live and serve in a way to please God and to be known as saints.

Enos of old was a man who desired to find God and receive a remission of his sins, and so he fasted and prayed all day and through the night, lifting his voice to the heavens until recognized of God (Enos 1:1-26). His desire was not alone for himself, but for his brethren, the Nephites, and even for his enemies, the Lamanites. This is the key to sainthood: concern for others. God granted his desires that the Nephite record might be given to the Lamanites; this will occur in these last days.

"O then, my beloved brethren, come unto the Lord . . . his paths are righteousness . . . the way for man

is narrow . . . and the keeper of the gate is the Holy One of Israel" (see 2 Ne. 6:79-85). The happiness prepared for the saints is hidden from the wise, the learned and the rich who are puffed up in these things. This gate is the door of baptism into Jesus Christ. As we sing: the sun, moon and stars shall cease, but not the word of God; happy are we if we possess that word at the last day.

Is sainthood worth working for? "Behold, the righteous, the saints of the Holy One of Israel . . . who have endured the crosses of the world . . . shall inherit the kingdom of God . . . and their joy shall be full forever" (see 2 Ne. 6:42, 43). Have you taken up your cross and suffered for Christ's sake? "Yea, and all that will live godly shall suffer persecution" (2 Tim. 3:12).

Peter tells us to add faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness and charity (2 Pet. 1:5-7). Godliness is another way of saying, saintliness. Is it not to be LIKE God? What is it that will characterize us as being godly, or saints? Obedience to Him, as was Christ; charity, the pure love of Christ. We need to study the word of God; study by topics, using a concordance to help.

What do you read? I like history, especially of the Restoration, and the Scriptures. There are other good books also which are worthwhile, but "search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life" (John 5:39).

We are commanded to "pray always". For what do we pray? When we have illness or accident in the family, it is easy to pray for these; and we are to pray for all our needs. But we must also pray for others,

in our homes and congregations; and not only for people, but the things of the kingdom of God, that the Church may be equal to its task in the last days; that the Lord will send laborers into the vineyard. Sometimes, fasting and prayer are needed. Fasting is not just abstinence from food, but to abstain from things of the world, even our normal activities of life. Let our eye be single, as Jesus said.

Abhor evil and the very appearance of evil. We are living in a time when things are commonplace which once were considered terrible.

Let us be honest in our dealings; upright in all our affairs. In the book, "The Hiding Place", Corrie ten Boom tells of her family's efforts to hide Jews in Holland during World War II. Her sister was honest even if it would appear to do harm. Once, they had people hidden beneath a trap door in the floor, which door was covered with a rug, and a table covered with a cloth, placed over it. The German soldiers came in and asked where the people were hidden. Her sister said they were under the table. When the soldier lifted the cloth, the household laughed, and he felt they were making fun of him - so he turned and left without finding those who were hidden.

In the 91st Psalm, we are told that, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty . . . He shall deliver thee . . . thou shalt not be afraid . . . because thou hast made the Lord . . . thy habitation" (vs. 1-9).

In these last days, Zion will be protected because they dwell with God. Let us arise from our lethargy, and put on the armor of Christ, being indeed the saints of God.

AN ADMONITION

I have been Spiritually involved in memory of counsels of the Lord in the past and I have been reminded of some of them through the testimonies that were born this morning, both in song and otherwise. When the Spirit moved upon me it came at the singing of the song, "Living For Jesus," and the words, "I own no other Master, my heart shall be Thy throne."

I was moved deeply by that thought and it was impressed upon me that that is so great a statement, and strangely with it came remembrance of a scripture that has been difficult to understand by many. It is said in the twenty-eighth chapter of Isaiah that, "The bed is shorter than a man can stretch himself on it, and the covering is so narrow that he can not wrap himself in it." I believe that it would be well for us to consider what that means. I feel impressed to speak of it.

We have, as a people, been concerned about our approach toward a Zion condition and have at times

taken steps in the right direction but too often the steps have been in the reverse of that which would advance us to that cause. Therefore the Spirit has admonished that as the result, that that bed which we have stretched ourselves upon is too short and we do not receive the full measure of comfort and restoring strength needed to more fully understand and apply ourselves to the cause of Zion. We endeavor to cover ourselves with the memory of accomplishments of past works which we feel is good and God has evidently seen that it was good, but then through self satisfaction we eased off in our labor and sought to lay upon the bed that we have made. But it is too short and the covering is too narrow, and we arise not fully renewed in strength, because the covering was so narrow that it left us exposed to the element of a "not continuing" spirit and the blessings received are not of the degree that would keep us alert in works toward Zion. When we sing of the great ambition of our hearts, hoping

that God would accept our hearts as a throne, we sing not with the fullest understanding, for we are not yet capable of letting God occupy our hearts as fully as we would like because there are too many other things there of the world and God could not reside therein alongside the worldly things that perhaps we feel are not harmful.

Therefore it would be wisdom for us in the times we desire to sacrifice (if it is properly a sacrifice or give up as things of the world), to measure the enjoyment of the worldly things we have or are indulging in and see in effect if they have been strengthening to our souls' hope of salvation. We know the answer! Therefore it would be well for us to examine our talk with the Lord wherein we say that we want Him to make our hearts a part of His throne, that we be careful in saying that without understanding what it means, for He desires to find residence within us to guide us and direct and move upon His servants to speak wisely and admonish us all in good works.

It is wise that the mothers, fathers, grandparents and elders of the Church, the teachers of the Word of God, to admonish the youths who are still in their time of gaining an education, that they should endeavor to gain knowledge of the trades or vocations that will not alone help them to find gainful employment and eventually establish a home of their own, but to gain a vocation that can be an advantage to the Church in the eventual gathering into Zion that we hope for and hope to be a part of. Therefore it is well that we bring back to remembrance, if not known, to know now, that the Lord has spoken in time past and advised us who are elders of the Church, the fathers, mothers and grandparents, that we try to impress upon our children the importance of their talents being useful to the church and to help guide them into channels of education and work and labor to that end, so that when the time comes then that great gath-

ering is known, that many things necessary for the well-being and sustenance of all may be dependent upon the vocations that our young people are enlisted in, such as the working of leather, textiles, the arts of physicians, nursing, veterinary, dentistry, husbandry, smithing, to the extent that our people may be sufficient unto themselves when that need is evident.

Become industrious in establishing new local and central storehouses. Learn more fully the preservation of food against the time of being isolated by opposing forces. Furthermore, establish your own personal storehouses and from such give a tithe for use of the local and central storehouses. Your Heavenly Father will give you further counsel and wisdom as you express to Him your desires to understand.

If you accept this counsel and practice your part in the setting in order the house of God and Kingdom on earth, you will be prepared to answer the call to Zion, which in a short time will surely come to pass.

Learn to depend upon the Lord in your counselling together; stumble not over the opinions of your brothers but be patient with each other and your Heavenly Father will unite your thoughts. By your faith you will receive further counsel as you prove all things whether they be of your Heavenly Father or the power that opposes good.

Remember the word of the prophets of old and of Jesus Christ as they spoke against serving two masters. One or the other, the world or your Father in Heaven, but not both, the "mark of the beast" or the mark of Christ's suffering written on the fleshly tables of your hearts.

Can you understand and confidently say, "I own no other master, my heart shall be thy throne, my life I give, henceforth to live, O Christ, for Thee alone"?

(Given by Apostle Don W. Housknecht January 1, 1978 at Phoenix, Arizona)

"THEY" DID IT

Dean Buchanan

If a church could ever identify "THEY", all her problems would be solved. "THEY" are the culprits that cause all the difficulties. "THEY" are the ones who run members off to other congregations. "THEY" constantly offend people. "THEY" pour the Lord's money down the drain. "THEY" are trying to ruin the church. "THEY" selected the wrong kind of carpet. "THEY" are the cause of Brother Dru N. Kard being an alcoholic. "THEY" are the reason Sister Easy O. Fended no longer comes to services.

On the other hand there is "WE." If it were not for "WE" nothing good would ever be done. "WE" help the poor. "WE" teach others. "WE" build new church buildings. "WE" send missionaries to foreign fields.

"WE" preach the gospel here at home. "WE" conduct grand and glorious workshops. "WE" are kind, considerate, compassionate and merciful. "WE" love everybody. "WE" initiate and labor in many new work programs. "WE" pray regularly. "WE" are very religious. "WE" are the only reason the church is where it is today. "WE" are glad "WE" are not like "THEY."

So you see, if "WE" could somehow eliminate "THEY" from our midst the Lord would have everything under control. But the problem is, "THEY" are so elusive "WE" can't seem to ever identify "THEM." I guess "WE" will just have to be content to do all the good that is done. Maybe in this way "WE" can offset all the evil "THEY" do.

MINI-LIGHTINGS

As I see it, in the creating, in the Son's atoning and redeeming, in the gift of the Holy Ghost; briefly in these three facts and all they mean to the human family, God has done all He can do for us, has provided all He can provide for us. All that is, unless or until we open to him, and even then, all he then can bring to us is out of the fulness of the truth and meaning of these three facts. By these means God has laid in store in his coffers all the riches of himself and his Son, and made them available that we in partaking of them might inherit Eternal Life. The one thing God will not do is to compell us to partake. To do so would be to thwart his own purpose.

The boundary of our will, he will not violate. He offers us all the wealth of eternal love, strength and grace for our use in time, but will not make us draw on it. In Jesus, through the Holy Spirit he has provided a continual feast of spiritual blessedness but he will not compel us to eat. In Jesus, he has prepared a ceaseless fountain of living water, but he will not insist that we drink. He has laid before us an open path, marked by the Savior's footprints; albeit it is narrow, and the gate is open — though strait, into the

Kingdom, but he drives no one in. He has sent his Son to stand patiently knocking at the doors of our hearts, his hands full of the tokens of the riches of his love, but he will not push his way in. To use force would be to annul his own purpose.

True, there is a condition; if we invite him in he asks of us all we have and are, (Mosiah 1:77), for which in return he promises to give himself and all he has to us, and does not call it an unfair trade. But he will not demand that we make the deal.

Therefore, if we find ourselves, hungry, thirsty, naked or groping blindly in some unknown pathway it is not because at any point God has failed to make provision for our need but that we do not avail ourselves of what he has so abundantly offered to us according to the conditions specified. Might it be said, that having ears we hear not, and eyes we see not, and mouths we taste not, so do not perceive or receive the life of spiritual blessedness that can be ours even here in our moment of time? God has provided, only our own stubbornness of heart and will keeps us from surrendering and receiving.

TEST THESE RULES ON YOUR CHILDREN

by Ruth Reynolds

Child and Family Development Specialist

The last newsletter from the Clay-Platte Council for the Association for Children with Learning Disabilities contained the following article which I'd like to share with you.

1. ALWAYS BEAT YOUR KIDS . . . to the punch, by anticipating their problems and hangups. Provide for their needs before they have to demonstrate their needs.
2. HIT KIDS HARD . . . with responsibility (within their capabilities). Let them feel the consequences of their own actions.
3. DON'T TALK TO KIDS . . . Listen to them; respond to them; answer them; acknowledge them.
4. DON'T GIVE KIDS ANY HELP . . . with anything

they can do for themselves. Doing things for kids deprives them of learning how to do things.

5. MAKE KIDS HATE . . . to ask how you want them to do things; dependence; subservience.
6. GET KIDS TO FIGHT . . . for the right to get involved in the things that affect them.
7. DON'T TRUST KIDS . . . to participate on their own initiative. Relate to them in such a way that they have to participate!

It seems to me that these rules would apply to any child, so try them on yours.

Velma Wheaton

FROM COLUMBIA FALLS

Last summer, we here at Columbia Falls talked some of how much we would like to hold a reunion in this area. Being so few in number we have not the facilities to take care of a gathering of this type. So our hearts were saddened, as we longed for the Spiritual feast which a gathering of this kind can bring.

Then in October we received a letter from Brother and Sister Robert Jensen saying they were coming here

to hold services if we so desired.

Desired? Our hearts and souls were longing for this very thing. We were weeping both inwardly and outwardly for Ministry to come, so we rejoiced exceedingly on hearing this good news.

The Jensens arrived on a Saturday and on Sunday morning Brother Jensen held a Sacrament Service with prayers, songs and testimonies following. Oh what

a Spiritual Feast we enjoyed; our hungry hearts and souls were being filled. He then held a preaching service that evening and again on Monday evening. By Tuesday morning Brother and Sister Eugene Gould arrived from Minnesota where they had spent a few days. And oh what a Spiritual Feast we enjoyed throughout the rest of the week as these two brethren continued to speak to us each evening through Saturday evening. We were being fed, Spiritually fed, on the very bread of Heaven, while resting in Gods tender love, for His love filled the place bringing such joy and comfort to our hungry hearts and troubled souls. We did not want to miss even one evening of worship with our Heavenly Father.

Oh my dear ones, there is no joy or happiness to be found anywhere or in anything that can compare to the glorious love of God, and we are witnesses to His bountiful love, for we were truly enfolded in it throughout these services.

On Thursday evening my son Daniel came to the service; he told me later that he just could not stay away. Praises be to our Heavenly Father who by His Holy Spirit brought him there.

Again on Sunday Morning we enjoyed an abundance of the Spirit and Love of God in our midst as we gathered once more in a prayer, testimony and song service, praising and thanking our Lord for His many blessings upon us, and for bringing His Ministry unto us.

The joy of this service we can never forget, for His presence was with us as we are all witnesses to.

Sunday evening as Brother Jensen spoke to us of the love of God, His wonderous love truly filled the place softening each heart, and every eye was wet with tears; we were filled to overflowing with His pure love.

When the service was brought to its close we rose to sing this beautiful hymn, "God be with you till we meet again" (as the Jensens were leaving the next day). Everyone was weeping, but even so, the whole room was filled with singing; I am sure that Heavenly music blended with our voices, for the place was so full of Gods great love.

We felt we could not bear to have the Jensens leave us, if it had not been that Brother and Sister Gould were still with us to continue holding services. And as my son said, "I have missed some of Uncle Robert's sermons and I don't want to miss any of Uncle Eugene's sermons." This is how the rest of us felt also.

What a blessed reunion we were enjoying, a reunion with our Lord and Savior, being surrounded in His Love. In all our great longings and prayers for a Spiritual gathering, little did we know what a bountiful Feast the Lord had in store for us. All praises be to His Holy ame.

Our services continued every evening throughout

the next week, and on Thursday evening, Daniel asked for baptism. Oh how our hearts swelled with joy, as in tears we hugged him, praising and thanking our Heavenly Father, who had brought him to this desire and decision.

Daniel was acquainted with the Gospel, but prior to this time had not come forward for baptism, although some years before this he had expressed his feeling of being on the outside and was not happy over it.

I said to him as I hugged him, while praising God, "Dan I've prayed for this for many years." He said, "I know it Mother" and we both wept tears of great joy in the love of God which filled our hearts.

How gently the Lord woos and wins souls unto Himself, and how tender His mercies are toward the sinner who repents and cries unto Him for help. He calls with outstretched arms, "Come all ye who labour and are heavy laden" (laden with sins and sorrows too great to bear) "Come lay your burdens at my feet and I will give you rest."

So it was that on Saturday morning Daniel and our little sister Jeanie Holler were baptized into the fold of Christ. Jeanie had been waiting two years for the ministry to come so she could be baptized.

After Daniel was baptized he told Brother Gould, "Now I have something to live for." Oh yes, indeed we do have something to live for. We who have taken upon us the name of Christ, for in His name only, can we obtain salvation. He is our hope, our all, He is life Eternal which begins here when we take upon us His name, with a desire and a promise to serve Him all of our days here in this life.

What happiness filled our hearts as these two dear ones entered the waters of baptism that morning. And our joy was very full on Sunday morning as we gathered for the confirmation service and witnessed the laying on of hands confirming them into the Kingdom of God.

Many tears of gladness were shed as we hugged these dear ones extending the hand of fellowship unto them. While singing the beloved hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds". The Lord was very close, filling our hearts with His Spirit of Love as we entered into the Sacrament Service and continued with prayers, songs and testimonies.

Brother and Sister Gould extended their ministry here for another week, and our Heavenly Father's love continued to fill our hearts to overflowing as Brother Gould continued to bring the precious message of salvation unto us.

On Wednesday evening we again met in a prayer, song and testimony service with our Lord, for truly His Spirit filled the place. Oh praise His Holy Name. We were so reluctant to bring this service to a close, for when resting in the blessedness of His sweet Spirit, we do not want to depart.

Yes, He truly is a God of love and mercy, and we had witnessed of His love, throughout these three weeks in which we feasted so abundantly upon it. Can we ever forget? Heaven forbid that we ever forget what our Lord has so graciously done for us.

Our services continued each evening through Saturday, and on Sunday morning we once more gathered for prayers, songs and testimonies, to praise our Heavenly Father and to thank Him for all He has done for us. That evening Brother Gould spoke to us bringing to a close this three weeks of a most wonderfully Spiritual Reunion with our Lord and His great love.

We could not have asked for more; our hearts and souls hunger for a spiritual reunion had been so completely and abundantly filled, even to overflowing. All praise, honor and glory be to our Heavenly Father, for we truly had been feasting upon the bread of heaven.

Once more tears were shed as we closed this series of worship, with the beautiful words of the song, "God be with you till we meet again".

Let us not forget what our Lord has done for us, but let us each one move forward humbly, prayerfully, taking His hand, letting Him lead us where He will. We each have a special work to do in His vineyard, if we will apply ourselves unto prayer and to the study of His scriptures, keeping our minds and hearts stayed on Him. We must seek always the Kingdom of Heaven first in our lives, keeping ourselves unspotted from

the world. We must come out of Babylon if we would follow our Lord and be one in Him, for He is righteous, and no evil thing can abide in His presence.

The pathway is straight and narrow that leads to eternal life and few there be that find it. The scriptures tell us that many are called but few are chosen. Why is this so? Is it because the way is too straight and too narrow? So there are only the few who choose to keep their feet within the narrow way? We are each given this choice to make. It is up to us, and the Lord is always there in the pathway ahead of us extending His hand, ready to take our hand in His and lead us if we will surrender our all to Him and to His will for us.

The choice is yours and mine to make and we can make this full surrender to Him and His will, if this is the desire of our whole heart, might, mind and soul. We must choose this day whom we will serve.

Now again this February of '78, Brother Marvin Ely has been with us for three days, and we have been richly blessed as we have met in preaching and prayer meetings, having the privilege once more of renewing our covenant which we made at the waters edge, by partaking of the emblems of our Lord's broken body and spilt blood, His precious blood which was shed for us, that we might have Salvation and Eternal Life through Christ Jesus.

Your sister in Christ,
Stella Winegar

TEMPLE LOT LOCAL NEWS

Your reporter was called to Arizona on family business early in January and has therefore done a very poor job of it, since I didn't get back till late in March. At least I missed some very bad weather! And, oh, how I did miss my church family here. It was wonderful to be reunited with sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and, of course, parents (presently living in our Arizona farm home), not to mention my other church family there in Phoenix. Flooding conditions kept me from attending the last two Sundays these, sad to say. It is so very good to be back with my loved ones here.

On Saturday, January 8th, there was a pretty wedding in our little white church, which was decorated with golden winter bouquets.

Roseann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Moncada, became Mrs. Xavier Duque Jr. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Xavier Duque. The wedding ceremony was movingly performed by Elder Nicholas Denham, great uncle of the bride, using double wedding rings.

The bride wore a flood length dress and veil of white and carried a bouquet of blue and white mums

and glads. Her attendants wore pastel formal gowns. Her sister, Esther Tovar, was her matron of honor; the others were Rebecca Denham, Joanna Cerda, Rosie Duque and Sandra Duque.

The groom was attended by the bride's brother, Rogelio Moncada. He also helped to usher in the guests, with Gregor Lee Helland. He shared in a symbolic ceremony with Rosie Duque; they tied the new husband and wife together with a looped rope.

Sarita Denham kept the guest registry and Margaret Casey played the wedding march. The bride's cousin, Konie Caviness, sang "Make Us One" and the "Hawaiian Wedding Song". She converted the last to the "Missouri Wedding Song". She also lit the tall white candles before the ceremony.

Little Joseph Moncada was the ring bearer, while a tiny and pretty flower girl with only one name that I have found, Dawn, preceded him down the aisle.

The young couple are temporarily living with her grandfather, Floyd Denham, who has been alone since his wife died four years ago. We pray that God's love will bless their marriage and make them as inseparable as the rope tying ceremony indicated.

AVA, MISSOURI NEWS

Greetings from the Ava Local:

Sunday, Jan. 15th, our pastor, Brother Alex Smith, was our speaker. He told us to read the sacrament prayer given over the bread and wine and make that our New Year's resolution. He also stressed that we should make our lives show we are Christians.

Feb. 12th, we had the pleasure of Brother and Sister Marvin Case, also Benny, Marie and Diann, with us. Brother Marvin gave us a wonderful sermon; he spoke of serving God. We earn God's mercy by keeping His commandments.

Feb. 19th, Brother and Sister Eugene Gould were our guests. He spoke about our labor of love for each other and it would be our privilege to work that we

might help bring forth Zion.

Feb. 26th, Brother Larry Beem and family paid us a visit. Brother Beem spoke to us about our duty to spread the Gospel and about each of us having a job to do to help bring forth Zion. There is so much to do in such a short time.

We do appreciate the efforts of those who visit us and we would surely welcome all who would come. In these times we all need to draw closer together so we may gain strength from each other. We hope spring is just around the corner. The Ozarks will be a beautiful place for you to come for a visit.

Sincerely,
Lorraine Welton

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Enid E. Bell, Secretary

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