

AFTER I HAD RETIRED TO THE PLACE WHERE I HAD PREVIOUSLY DESIGNED TO GO, HAVING LOOKED AROUND ME, AND FINDING MYSELF ALONE, I KNEELED DOWN AND BEGAN TO **OFFER UP THE DESIRES OF MY HEART TO GOD.** I HAD SCARCELY DONE SO, WHEN IMMEDIATELY I WAS SEIZED UPON BY SOME POWER WHICH ENTIRELY OVERCAME ME, AND HAD SUCH AN ASTONISHING INFLUENCE OVER ME AS TO **BIND MY TONGUE SO THAT I COULD NOT SPEAK.** THICK DARKNESS GATHERED AROUND ME, AND IT SEEMED TO ME FOR A TIME AS IF I WERE **DOOMED TO SUDDEN DESTRUCTION.**

BUT, EXERTING ALL MY POWERS TO CALL UPON GOD TO DELIVER ME OUT OF THE POWER OF THIS ENEMY WHICH HAD SEIZED UPON ME, AND AT THE VERY MOMENT WHEN I WAS READY TO SINK INTO DESPAIR AND **ABANDON MYSELF TO DESTRUCTION**—NOT TO AN IMAGINARY RUIN, BUT TO THE POWER OF SOME ACTUAL BEING FROM THE UNSEEN WORLD, WHO HAD SUCH MARVELOUS POWER AS I HAD NEVER BEFORE FELT IN ANY BEING—**JUST AT THIS MOMENT OF GREAT ALARM,** I SAW A PILLAR OF LIGHT EXACTLY OVER MY HEAD, **ABOVE THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE SUN,** WHICH DESCENDED GRADUALLY UNTIL IT FELL UPON ME.

IT NO SOONER APPEARED THAN I FOUND MYSELF DELIVERED FROM THE ENEMY WHICH HELD ME BOUND. WHEN THE LIGHT RESTED UPON ME I SAW TWO PERSONAGES, WHOSE BRIGHTNESS AND GLORY DEFY ALL DESCRIPTION, STANDING ABOVE ME IN THE AIR. ONE OF THEM SPAKE UNTO ME, CALLING ME BY NAME AND SAID, POINTING TO THE OTHER—**THIS IS MY BELOVED SON. HEAR HIM!**

Joseph Smith History 1:15-20

MY OBJECT IN GOING TO INQUIRE OF THE LORD WAS TO KNOW WHICH OF ALL THE SECTS WAS RIGHT, THAT I MIGHT KNOW WHICH TO JOIN. NO SOONER, THEREFORE, DID I GET POSSESSION OF MYSELF AS TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK, THAN I ASKED THE PERSONAGES WHO STOOD ABOVE ME IN THE LIGHT, WHICH OF ALL THE SECTS WAS RIGHT (FOR AT THIS TIME IT HAD NEVER ENTERED INTO MY HEART)—**AND WHICH I SHOULD JOIN** THAT ALL WERE WRONG)

I WAS ANSWERED THAT I MUST JOIN NONE OF THEM, **FOR THEY WERE ALL WRONG;** AND THE PERSONAGE WHO ADDRESSED ME SAID THAT ALL THEIR CREEDS WERE AN ABOMINATION IN HIS SIGHT; THAT THOSE PROFESSORS WERE ALL CORRUPT; THAT: "THEY DRAW NEAR TO ME WITH THEIR LIPS, **BUT THEIR HEARTS ARE FAR FROM ME,** THEY TEACH FOR DOCTRINES THE COMMANDMENTS OF MEN, HAVING A FORM OF GODLINESS, BUT THEY DENY THE POWER THEREOF."

HE AGAIN FORBADE ME TO JOIN WITH ANY OF THEM; AND MANY OTHER THINGS DID HE SAY UNTO ME, WHICH I CANNOT WRITE AT THIS TIME. WHEN I CAME TO MYSELF AGAIN, I FOUND MYSELF LYING ON MY BACK, LOOKING UP INTO HEAVEN. WHEN THE LIGHT HAD DEPARTED, I HAD NO STRENGTH; BUT SOON RECOVERING IN SOME DEGREE, I WENT HOME. AND AS I LEANED UP TO THE FIREPLACE, MOTHER INQUIRED WHAT THE MATTER WAS. I REPLIED, "NEVER MIND, ALL IS WELL—I AM WELL ENOUGH OFF." I THEN SAID TO MY MOTHER, "I HAVE LEARNED FOR MYSELF THAT PRESBYTERIANISM IS NOT TRUE." IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THE ADVERSARY WAS AWARE, AT A VERY EARLY PERIOD OF MY LIFE, **THAT I WAS DESTINED TO PROVE A DISTURBER AND AN ANNOYER OF HIS KINGDOM;** ELSE WHY SHOULD THE POWERS OF DARKNESS COMBINE AGAINST ME **?** WHY THE OPPOSITION AND PERSECUTION THAT AROSE AGAINST ME, ALMOST IN MY INFANCY **?**

Joseph Smith History 1:15-20

SEARCH THESE COMMANDMENTS,
FOR THEY ARE TRUE AND FAITHFUL,
AND THE PROPHECIES AND PROMISES WHICH ARE IN THEM
SHALL ALL BE FULFILLED.

WHAT I THE LORD HAVE SPOKEN,
I HAVE SPOKEN, AND I EXCUSE NOT MYSELF;
AND THOUGH THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH PASS AWAY,
MY WORD SHALL NOT PASS AWAY,
BUT SHALL ALL BE FULFILLED,
WHETHER BY MINE OWN VOICE
OR BY THE VOICE OF MY SERVANTS,
IT IS THE SAME.

Doctrine & Covenants 1:37-38

LOOK
UNTO ME
IN EVERY THOUGHT;
DOUBT NOT
FEAR NOT

Doctrine & Covenants 6:36

YEA, BEHOLD, I WILL TELL YOU
**IN YOUR MIND AND
HEART,**
BY THE HOLY GHOST,
WHICH SHALL COME UPON YOU
AND WHICH SHALL DWELL IN YOUR HEART.

NOW, BEHOLD, THIS IS THE SPIRIT OF REVELATION;
BEHOLD, THIS IS THE SPIRIT
BY WHICH MOSES BROUGHT THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL
THROUGH THE RED SEA ON DRY GROUND.

Doctrine & Covenants 8:2-3

**PRAY
ALWAYS**
THAT YOU MAY COME OFF CONQUEROR;
**YEA THAT YOU MAY
CONQUER SATAN**
AND THAT YOU MAY ESCAPE
THE HANDS OF THE SERVANTS OF SATAN
THAT DO UPHOLD HIS WORK.

Doctrine & Covenants 10:5

UPON YOU MY FELLOW SERVANTS,
IN THE NAME OF MESSIAH
I CONFER THE PREISTHOOD OF AARON,
WHICH HOLDS THE KEYS OF
THE MINISTERING OF ANGELS,
AND OF THE GOSPEL OF REPENTANCE,
AND BAPTISM BY IMMERSION
FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS;
AND THIS SHALL NEVER BE TAKEN
AGAIN FROM THE EARTH,
UNTIL THE SONS OF LEVI DO OFFER AGAIN
AN OFFERING UNTO THE LORD IN RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Doctrine & Covenants 13:1

REMEMBER
THE WORTH OF SOULS
IS GREAT
IN THE SIGHT OF GOD;

FOR, BEHOLD, THE LORD YOUR REDEEMER
SUFFERED DEATH IN THE FLESH;
WHEREFORE HE SUFFERED
THE PAIN OF ALL MEN,
THAT ALL MEN MIGHT REPENT
AND COME UNTO HIM.

Doctrine & Covenants 18:10-11

**AND IF IT SO BE THAT YOU SHOULD
LABOR ALL YOUR DAYS
IN CRYING REPENTANCE UNTO THIS PEOPLE,
AND BRING, SAVE IT BE
ONE SOUL UNTO ME,
HOW GREAT SHALL BE YOUR JOY WITH HIM
IN THE KINGDOM OF MY FATHER!**

**AND NOW, IF YOUR JOY WILL BE GREAT
WITH ONE SOUL THAT YOU HAVE BROUGHT UNTO ME
INTO THE KINGDOM OF MY FATHER,
HOW GREAT WILL BE YOUR JOY
IF YOU SHOULD BRING
MANY SOULS UNTO ME!**

Doctrine & Covenants 18:15-16

**FOR BEHOLD, I, GOD,
HAVE SUFFERED THESE THINGS FOR ALL
THAT THEY MIGHT NOT SUFFER IF THEY WOULD REPENT;
BUT IF THEY WOULD NOT REPENT
THEY MUST SUFFER EVEN AS I;
WHICH SUFFERING CAUSED MYSELF,
EVEN GOD, THE GREATEST OF ALL,
TO TREMBLE BECAUSE OF PAIN,
AND TO BLEED AT EVERY PORE,
AND TO SUFFER BOTH BODY AND SPIRIT—
AND WOULD THAT I MIGHT NOT
DRINK THE BITTER CUP, AND SHRINK—
NEVERTHELESS, GLORY BE TO THE FATHER,
AND I PARTOOK AND FINISHED MY PREPARATIONS
UNTO THE CHILDREN OF MEN.**

Doctrine & Covenants 19:16-19

LEARN OF ME,
AND LISTEN TO MY WORDS;
WALK IN THE
MEEKNESS
OF MY SPIRIT,
AND YOU SHALL HAVE
PEACE IN ME.

Doctrine & Covenants 19:23

WHEREFORE, LIFT UP
THY HEART
AND REJOICE,
AND CLEAVE UNTO THE
COVENANTS
WHICH THOU HAST MADE.

Doctrine & Covenants 25:13

AND YE MUST PRACTICE
VIRTUE
AND HOLINESS
BEFORE ME
CONTINUALLY.
EVEN SO. AMEN.

Doctrine & Covenants 46:33

VERILY, I SAY, MEN SHOULD BE
ANXIOUSLY
ENGAGED
IN A GOOD CAUSE,
AND DO MANY THINGS
OF THEIR OWN FREE WILL,
AND BRING TO PASS MUCH
RIGHTEOUSNESS;

Doctrine & Covenants 58:27

BEHOLD, HE WHO HAS REPENTED OF HIS SINS,
**THE SAME IS FORGIVEN,
AND I, THE LORD,
REMEMBER THEM
NO MORE.**

**BY THIS YE MAY KNOW
IF A MAN REPENTETH OF HIS SINS—
BEHOLD, HE WILL CONFESS THEM
AND FORSAKE THEM.**

Doctrine & Covenants 58:42-43

WHEREFORE, I SAY UNTO YOU, THAT YE
OUGHT TO FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER;
FOR HE THAT FORGIVETH NOT HIS BROTHER
HIS TRESSPASSES STANDETH CONDEMNED
BEFORE THE LORD;
FOR THERE REMAINETH IN HIM THE GREATER SIN.

**I, THE LORD, WILL FORGIVE
WHOM I WILL FORGIVE,
BUT OF YOU IT IS REQUIRED TO
FORGIVE ALL MEN.**

AND YE OUGHT TO SAY IN YOUR HEARTS—
LET GOD JUDGE BETWEEN ME AND THEE,
AND REWARD THEE ACCORDING TO THY DEEDS.

Doctrine & Covenants 64:9-11

AND NOW, AFTER THE MANY TESTIMONIES WHICH
HAVE BEEN GIVEN OF HIM,
THIS IS THE TESTIMONY, LAST OF ALL,
WHICH WE GIVE OF HIM:
THAT HE LIVES!

FOR WE SAW HIM, EVEN ON THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD;
AND WE HEARD THE VOICE BEARING RECORD THAT
HE IS THE ONLY BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER—

THAT BY **HIM**
AND THROUGH
AND OF **HIM**

THE WORLDS ARE AND WERE CREATED,
AND THE INHABITANTS THEREOF ARE BEGOTTEN
SONS AND DAUGHTERS UNTO GOD.

Doctrine & Covenants 76:22-24

**AND THIS IS THE GOSPEL,
THE GLAD TIDINGS,**
WHICH THE VOICE OUT OF THE HEAVENS
BORE RECORD UNTO US—

THAT HE CAME INTO THE WORLD,
EVEN JESUS,
TO BE CRUCIFIED FOR THE WORLD,
AND TO BEAR THE SINS OF THE WORLD,
AND TO SANCTIFY THE WORLD,
AND TO CLEANSE IT FROM
ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS;

Doctrine & Covenants 76:40-41

AND HE WHO RECEIVETH ALL THINGS WITH
THANKFULNESS
SHALL BE MADE
GLORIOUS;
AND THE THINGS OF THIS EARTH
SHALL BE ADDED UNTO HIM,
EVEN AN HUNDRED FOLD,
YEA, MORE.

Doctrine & Covenants 78:19

I, THE LORD,
AM BOUND
WHEN YE DO WHAT I SAY;
BUT WHEN YE DO
NOT WHAT I SAY,
YE HAVE NO
PROMISE.

Doctrine & Covenants 82:10

**CEASE TO BE IDLE;
CEASE TO BE UNCLEAN;
CEASE TO FIND FAULT ONE WITH ANOTHER;
CEASE TO SLEEP LONGER THAN IS NEEDFUL;
RETIRE TO THY BED EARLY,
THAT YE MAY NOT BE WEARY;
ARISE EARLY,
THAT YOUR BODIES
AND YOUR MINDS
MAY BE INVIGORATED.**

Doctrine & Covenants 88:124

**AND ALL SAINTS WHO REMEMBER
TO KEEP AND DO THESE SAYINGS,
WALKING IN OBEDIENCE
TO THE COMMANDMENTS,
SHALL RECEIVE HEALTH IN THEIR NAVEL
AND MARROW TO THEIR BONES;
AND SHALL FIND WISDOM AND
GREAT TREASURES OF KNOWLEDGE
EVEN HIDDEN TREASURES;
AND SHALL RUN AND NOT BE WEARY,
AND SHALL WALK AND NOT FAINT.
AND I, THE LORD, GIVE UNTO THEM A PROMISE,
THAT THE DESTROYING ANGEL SHALL PASS BY THEM,
AS THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL,
AND NOT SLAY THEM. AMEN.**

Doctrine & Covenants 89:18-21

THE MELCHIZEDEK PRIESTHOOD
HOLDS THE RIGHT OF PRESIDENCY,
AND **POWER &**
HAS **POWER &**
AUTHORITY
OVER ALL THE OFFICES
IN THE CHURCH
IN ALL AGES OF THE WORLD,
TO ADMINISTER IN
SPIRITUAL THINGS.

Doctrine & Covenants 107:8

THAT THE RIGHTS OF THE PRIESTHOOD
ARE INSEPARABLY CONNECTED
WITH THE POWERS OF HEAVEN,
AND THAT THE POWERS OF HEAVEN
CANNOT BE CONTROLLED
NOR HANDLED ONLY UPON THE
PRINCIPLES OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

NO POWER OR INFLUENCE
CAN OR OUGHT TO BE MAINTAINED
BY VIRTUE OF THE PRIESTHOOD,
ONLY BY PERSUASION, BY LONG-SUFFERING,
BY GENTLENESS AND MEEKNESS,
AND BY LOVE UNFEIGNED;

BY KINDNESS, AND PURE KNOWLEDGE,
WHICH SHALL GREATLY ENLARGE THE SOUL
WITHOUT HYPOCRISY, AND WITHOUT GUILF—

Doctrine & Covenants 121:36,41-42

THE FATHER HAS A BODY OF FLESH AND BONES AS TANGIBLE AS MAN'S; THE SON ALSO; BUT THE HOLY GHOST HAS NOT A BODY OF FLESH AND BONES, BUT IS A PERSONAGE OF SPIRIT. WERE IT NOT SO, THE HOLY GHOST COULD NOT DWELL IN US.

A MAN MAY RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST, AND IT MAY DESCEND UPON HIM AND NOT TARRY WITH HIM.

Doctrine and Covenants 130:22-23

IN THE CELESTIAL GLORY THERE ARE THREE HEAVENS OR DEGREES;

AND IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE HIGHEST, A MAN MUST ENTER INTO THIS ORDER OF THE PRIESTHOOD

MEANING THE NEW AND EVERLASTING COVENANT OF MARRIAGE

AND IF HE DOES NOT, HE CANNOT OBTAIN IT.

HE MAY ENTER INTO THE OTHER, BUT THAT IS THE END OF HIS KINGDOM; HE CANNOT HAVE AN INCREASE.

Doctrine & Covenants 131:1-4