

Exalt not yourselves;
 rebel not against my servant Joseph;
 for verily I say unto you,
 I am with him, and
 my hand shall be over him;
 and the keys which I have given unto him, and also to youward, shall not be taken from
 him till I come. 16

B Verily I say unto you, my servant Thomas, thou art the man whom I have chosen
 to hold the keys of my kingdom, as pertaining to the Twelve,
 abroad among all nations--17
 That thou mayest be my servant
 to unlock the door of the kingdom
 in all places where my servant Joseph, and my servant Sidney, and my servant Hyrum, cannot
 come; 18
 For on them have I laid the burden of all the churches for a little season. 19
 Wherefore, whithersoever they shall send you, go ye, and I will be with you;
 and in whatsoever place ye shall proclaim my name an effectual door shall be opened unto you,

C that they may receive my word. 20
 Whosoever receiveth my word
 receiveth me,
 and whosoever receiveth me,
 receiveth those, the First Presidency, whom I have sent, whom I have made counselors
 for my name's sake unto you. 21

B And again, I say unto you, that whosoever ye shall send
 in my name,
 by the voice of your brethren, the Twelve,
 duly recommended and authorized by you,
 shall have power to open the door of my kingdom unto any nation whithersoever ye shall send
 them--22

A Inasmuch as they shall
 humble themselves before me, and
 abide in my word, and
 hearken to the voice of my Spirit. 23

Verily, verily, I say unto you,
 darkness covereth the earth, and
 gross darkness the minds of the people, and
 all flesh has become corrupt before my face. 24

Behold, vengeance cometh speedily upon the inhabitants of the earth,
 a day of wrath,
 a day of burning,
 a day of desolation,
 of weeping,
 of mourning, and
 of lamentation;
 and as a whirlwind it shall come upon all the face of the earth,
 saith the Lord. 25

And upon my house shall it begin,
 and from my house shall it go forth,
 saith the Lord; 26

First among those among you,
 saith the Lord,
 who have professed to know my name and have not known me, and have blasphemed against me in the
 midst of my house,
 saith the Lord. 27

Therefore, see to it that ye trouble not yourselves concerning the affairs of my church in this place,
 saith the Lord. 28

A₁ But purify your hearts before me;

A₂ and then go ye into all the world, and preach my gospel unto every creature who has not received it; 29

A₃ And he that believeth
 and is baptized
 shall be saved,
 and he that believeth not,
 and is not baptized,
 shall be damned. 30

B For unto you, the Twelve, and those, the First Presidency, who are appointed with you to be your
 counselors and your leaders,

C is the power of this priesthood given,

D for the last days and for the last time, in the which is the dispensation of the fulness of
 times. 31

E Which power you hold, in connection with all those who have received a dispensation
 at any time from the beginning of the creation; 32

F For verily I say unto you, the keys of the dispensation,

E which ye have received, have come down from the fathers,

D and last of all,

C being sent down from heaven unto you. 33

B Verily I say unto you, behold how great is your calling.

A₁ Cleanse your hearts and your garments,

A₂ lest the blood of this generation be required at your hands. 34

A₃ Be faithful until I come, for I come quickly; and my reward is with me to recompense every man
 according as his work shall be.

I am Alpha and Omega. Amen.

Section 113

Answers to certain questions on the writings of Isaiah, given by Joseph Smith the Prophet, March 1838. HC
 3:9-10.

Who is the Stem of Jesse spoken of in the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th verses of the 11th chapter of Isaiah? 2
 Verily thus saith the Lord: It is Christ. 3

- A What is the rod spoken of in the first verse of the 11th chapter of Isaiah, that should come of the Stem of Jesse?
- B Behold, thus saith the Lord: It is a servant in the hands of Christ,
- C who is partly a descendant of Jesse
- D as well as of Ephraim, or of the house of Joseph,
- E on whom there is laid much power. 5

- A What is the root of Jesse spoken of in the 10th verse of the 11th chapter? 6
- B Behold, thus saith the Lord, it
- C is a descendant of Jesse,
- D as well as of Joseph,
- E unto whom rightly belongs the priesthood, and the keys of the kingdom,
- F for an ensign, and for the gathering of my people in the last days. 7

Questions by Elias Higbee: What is meant by the command in Isaiah, 52d chapter, 1st verse, which saith: Put on thy strength, O Zion--and what people had Isaiah reference to? 8

- A He had reference to those whom God should call in the last days,
- B who should hold the power of priesthood
- C to bring again Zion,
- C and the redemption of Israel;
- B and to put on her strength is to put on the authority of the priesthood,
- A which she, Zion, has a right to by lineage; also to return to that power which she had lost. 9
- What are we to understand by Zion loosing herself from the bands of her neck; 2d verse? 10
- A We are to understand that the scattered
- B remnants are exhorted to return
- C to the Lord
- D from whence they have fallen;
- E which if they do, the promise of the Lord is that he will speak to them,
- E or give them revelation. See the 6th, 7th, and 8th verses.
- D The bands of her neck are the curses
- C of God
- B upon her, or the remnants of Israel
- A in their scattered condition among the Gentiles.

Section 114

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Far West, Missouri, April 17, 1838. HC 3:23.

Verily thus saith the Lord: It is wisdom in my servant David W. Patten, that he settle up all his business as soon as he possibly can, and make a disposition of his merchandise, that he may perform a mission unto me next spring, in company with others, even twelve including himself, to testify of my name and bear glad tidings unto all the world. 2

For verily thus saith the Lord, that inasmuch as there are those among you who deny my name, others shall be planted in their stead and receive their bishopric. Amen.

Section 115

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Far West, Missouri, April 26, 1838, making known the will of God concerning the building up of that place and of the Lord's House. HC 3:23-25. This revelation is addressed to the presiding officers of the Church.

- A Verily thus saith the Lord unto you, my servant Joseph Smith, Jun., and also my servant Sidney Rigdon, and also my servant Hyrum Smith, and your counselors who are and shall be appointed hereafter; 2 And also unto you, my servant Edward Partridge, and his counselors; 3 And also unto my faithful servants who are of the high council of my church in Zion,
- B for thus it shall be called, and unto all the elders and people of my Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, scattered abroad in all the world; 4
For thus shall my church be called in the last days, even The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. 5
- C Verily I say unto you all:
Arise and shine forth,
that thy light may be a standard for the nations; 6 And that the gathering together upon the land of Zion, and upon her stakes, may be for a defense, and for a refuge from the storm, and from wrath when it shall be poured out without mixture upon the whole earth. 7
- D Let the city, Far West, be a holy and consecrated land unto me; and it shall be called most holy, for the ground upon which thou standest is holy. 8
- E Therefore, I command you to build a house unto me, for the gathering together of my saints, that they may worship me. 9
- F And let there be a beginning of this work, and a foundation, and a preparatory work, this following summer; 10
- G And let the beginning be made on the fourth day of July next; and from that time forth let my people labor diligently to build a house unto my name; 11
- H And in one year from this day let them re-commence laying the foundation of my house. 12

- G Thus let them from that time forth labor diligently
- F until it shall be finished, from the corner stone thereof unto the top thereof, until there shall not anything remain that is not finished. 13 Verily I say unto you, let not my servant Joseph, neither my servant Sidney, neither my servant Hyrum, get in debt any more for the building of a house unto my name; 14
- E But let a house be built unto my name
according to the pattern which I will show unto them. 15
And if my people build it not
according to the pattern which I shall show unto their presidency,
I will not accept it at their hands. 16
But if my people do build it
according to the pattern which I shall show unto their presidency, even my servant Joseph and his counselors,
then I will accept it at the hands of my people. 17
- D And again, verily I say unto you, it is my will that the city of Far West should be built up speedily
- C by the gathering
- B of my saints; 18
- A And also that other places should be appointed for stakes in the regions round about, as they shall be manifested unto my servant Joseph, from time to time. 19 For behold, I will be with him, and I will sanctify him before the people; for unto him have I given the keys of this kingdom and ministry. Even so. Amen.

Section 116

Revelation given to Joseph Smith the Prophet, near Wight's Ferry, at a place called Spring Hill, Daviess County, Missouri, May 19, 1838. HC 3:35.

Spring Hill is named by the Lord Adam-on-di-Ahman, because, said he, it is the place where Adam shall come to visit his people, or the Ancient of Days shall sit, as spoken of by Daniel the prophet.

Section 117

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Far West, Missouri, July 8, 1838, concerning the immediate duties of William Marks, Newel K. Whitney, and Oliver Granger. HC 3:45-46.

- A₁ Verily thus saith the Lord unto my servant William Marks,
- A₂ and also unto my servant Newel K. Whitney,
- B let them settle up their business speedily and journey from the land of Kirtland, before I, the Lord, send again the snows upon the earth. 2 Let them awake, and arise, and come forth, and not tarry, for I, the Lord, command it. 3 Therefore, if they tarry it shall not be well with them.
- C Let them repent of all their sins,
- D and of all their covetous desires, before me, saith the Lord;
- E for what is property unto me? saith the Lord. 5

- F Let the properties of Kirtland be turned out for debts, saith the Lord.
- F Let them go, saith the Lord, and whatsoever remaineth, let it remain in your hands, saith the Lord. 6
- E For
- have I not
the fowls of heaven, and also
the fish of the sea, and
the beasts of the mountains?
 - Have I not made the earth?
 - Do I not hold the destinies of all the armies of the nations of the earth? 7
 - Therefore, will I not make solitary places to bud and to blossom, and to bring forth in abundance? saith the Lord. 8
 - Is there not room enough on the mountains of Adam-ondi-Ahman, and on the plains of Olaha Shinehah, or the land where Adam dwelt,
- D that you should covet that which is but the drop,
- C and neglect the more weighty matters? 9
- B Therefore, come up hither unto the land of my people, even Zion. 10
- A₁ Let my servant William Marks be faithful over a few things,
and he shall be a ruler over many.
Let him preside in the midst of my people in the city of Far West, and
let him be blessed with the blessings of my people. 11
- A₂ Let my servant Newel K. Whitney be ashamed of the Nicolaitane band and of all their secret
abominations, and of all his littleness of soul before me, saith the Lord,
and come up to the land of Adam-ondi-Ahman, and be a bishop unto my people, saith the Lord,
not in name but in deed, saith the Lord. 12
- A And again, I say unto you, I remember my servant Oliver Granger;
behold, verily I say unto him that his name shall be had in sacred remembrance
from generation to generation, forever and ever, saith the Lord. 13
- B Therefore, let him contend earnestly for the redemption of the First Presidency of my Church, saith the
Lord; and when he falls he shall rise again,
for his sacrifice shall be more sacred unto me than his increase, saith the Lord. 14
- B Therefore, let him come up hither speedily, unto the land of Zion;
and in the due time he shall be made a merchant unto my name, saith the Lord, for the benefit of
my people. 15
- A Therefore let no man despise my servant Oliver Granger,
but let the blessings of my people be on him
forever and ever. 16

And again, verily I say unto you, let all my servants in the land of Kirtland remember the Lord their God, and
mine house also, to keep and preserve it holy, and to overthrow the money-changers in mine own due time,
saith the Lord. Even so. Amen.

Section 118

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Far West, Missouri, July 8, 1838, in response to the
supplication: "Show us thy will, O Lord, concerning the Twelve." HC 3:46-47.

Verily, thus saith the Lord:

- Let a conference be held immediately;
- let the Twelve be organized; and
- let men be appointed to supply the place of those who are fallen. 2
- Let my servant Thomas remain for a season in the land of Zion, to publish my word. 3
- Let the residue continue to preach from that hour, and if they will do this
 - in all lowliness of heart,
 - in meekness and
 - humility, and
 - long-suffering,
 I, the Lord, give unto them a promise that I will provide for their families; and an effectual door shall be opened for them, from henceforth. 4
- And next spring let them depart to go over the great waters, and there promulgate my gospel, the fulness thereof, and bear record of my name. 5
- Let them take leave of my saints in the city of Far West, on the twenty-sixth day of April next, on the building-spot of my house, saith the Lord. 6
- Let my servant John Taylor, and also my servant John E. Page, and also my servant Wilford Woodruff, and also my servant Willard Richards, be appointed to fill the places of those who have fallen, and be officially notified of their appointment.

Section 119

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Far West, Missouri, July 8, 1838, in answer to his supplication: "O Lord, show unto thy servants how much thou requirest of the properties of thy people for a tithing." HC 3:44. The law of tithing, as understood today, had not been given to the Church previous to this revelation. The term "tithing" in the prayer just quoted and in previous revelations (64:23; 85:3; 97:11) had meant not just one-tenth, but all free-will offerings, or contributions, to the Church funds. The Lord had previously given to the Church the law of consecration and stewardship of property, which members (chiefly the leading elders) entered into by a covenant that was to be everlasting. Because of failure on the part of many to abide by this covenant, the Lord withdrew it for a time, and gave instead the law of tithing to the whole Church. The Prophet asked the Lord how much of their property he required for sacred purposes. The answer was this revelation.

- A Verily, thus saith the Lord,
 I require all their surplus property to be put into the hands of the bishop of my church in Zion, 2
 For the building of mine house, and
 for the laying of the foundation of Zion and
 for the priesthood, and
 for the debts of the Presidency of my Church. 3
- B And this shall be the beginning of the tithing of my people. 4
- C And after that, those who have thus been tithed shall pay one-tenth of all their interest annually;
- B and this shall be a standing law unto them forever, for my holy priesthood, saith the Lord. 5
- A Verily I say unto you,
 it shall come to pass that all those who gather unto the land of Zion shall be tithed of their surplus properties, and shall observe this law,
 or they shall not be found worthy to abide among you. 6
- And I say unto you,
 if my people observe not this law, to keep it holy, and by this law sanctify the land of Zion unto me, that my statutes and my judgments may be kept thereon, that it may be most holy,
 behold, verily I say unto you, it shall not be a land of Zion unto you. 7
 And this shall be an ensample unto all the stakes of Zion. Even so. Amen.

Section 120

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Far West, Missouri, July 8, 1838, making known the disposition of the properties tithed as named in the preceding revelation, Section 119. HC 3:44.

Verily, thus saith the Lord, the time is now come, that it shall be disposed of by a council, composed of the First Presidency of my Church, and of the bishop and his council, and by my high council; and by mine own voice unto them, saith the Lord. Even so. Amen.

Section 121

Prayer and prophecies written by Joseph Smith the Prophet, while he was a prisoner in the jail at Liberty, Missouri, dated March 20, 1839. HC 3:289-300. The Prophet with several companions had been months in prison. Their petitions and appeals directed to the executive officers and the judiciary had failed to bring them relief.

- A O God, where art thou?
- B And where is the pavilion that covereth thy hiding place? 2
- C How long shall thy hand be stayed,
- D and thine eye, yea thy pure eye, behold from the eternal heavens the wrongs of thy people and of thy servants,
- E and thine ear be penetrated with their cries? 3
- F Yea, O Lord, how long shall they suffer these wrongs and unlawful oppressions,
- G before thine heart shall be softened toward them, and thy bowels be moved with compassion toward them? 4
- H O Lord God Almighty,
 maker of
 heaven,
 earth, and
 seas, and of
 all things that in them are, and
 who controlllest
 and subjectest
 the devil, and
 the dark and benighted dominion of Sheol--
- C stretch forth thy hand;
- D let thine eye pierce;
- B let thy pavilion be taken up; let thy hiding place no longer be covered;
- E let thine ear be inclined;
- G let thine heart be softened, and thy bowels moved with compassion toward us. 5
- F Let thine anger be kindled against our enemies; and, in the fury of thine heart, with thy sword avenge us of our wrongs. 6
- A Remember thy suffering saints, O our God; and thy servants will rejoice in thy name forever.† 7

- A My son, peace be unto thy soul; thine adversity and thine afflictions shall be but a small moment; 8
- B And then, if thou endure it well, God shall exalt thee on high; thou shalt triumph over all thy foes. 9
- C Thy friends do stand by thee,
and they shall hail thee again with warm hearts and friendly hands. 10
Thou art not yet as Job;
- C thy friends do not contend against thee,
neither charge thee with transgression,
as they did Job. 11
- B And they who do charge thee with transgression, their hope shall be blasted,
- A and their prospects shall melt away as the hoar frost melteth before the burning rays of the rising sun;† 12
- A And also that God hath set his hand and seal
to change the times and seasons, and
to blind their minds,
that they may not understand his marvelous workings;
that he may prove them also
and take them in their own craftiness; 13
- Also because their hearts are corrupted,
and the things which they are willing to bring upon others,
and love to have others suffer,
may come upon themselves to the very uttermost; 14
- That they may be disappointed also, and their hopes may be cut off; 15
- B And not many years hence,
- C that they and their posterity
- D shall be swept from under heaven, saith God, that not one of them is left to stand by the wall. 16
- E Cursed are all those that shall lift up the heel against mine anointed,
- F saith the Lord,
- G and cry they have sinned when they have not sinned before me, saith the Lord,
but have done that which was meet in mine eyes,
and which I commanded them. 17
- But those who cry transgression
do it because they are the servants of sin,
and are the children of disobedience themselves. 18
- And those who swear falsely against my servants,
- H that they might bring them into bondage and death--19
- I Wo unto them; because they have offended my little ones
- J they shall be severed from the ordinances of mine house. 20
- K Their basket shall not be full,
- K their houses and their barns shall perish, and
- K they themselves shall be despised by those that flattered them.

J They shall not have right to the priesthood, nor their posterity after them from generation to generation. 22 It had been better for them that a millstone had been hanged about their necks, and they drowned in the depth of the sea. 23

I Wo unto all those that discomfort my people,

H and drive, and murder,

G and testify against them,

F saith the Lord of Hosts;

E a generation of vipers shall not escape the damnation of hell. 24

D Behold, mine eyes see and know all their works, and I have in reserve a swift judgment in the season thereof,

C for them all; 25

B For there is a time appointed for every man,

A according as his works shall be. 26

A God shall give unto you knowledge by his Holy Spirit,
yea, by the unspeakable gift of the Holy Ghost,
that has not been revealed since the world was until now; 27
Which our forefathers have awaited with anxious expectation to be revealed in the last times,
which their minds were pointed to by the angels,

B₁ as held in reserve

B₂ for the fulness of their glory; 28

C A time to come in the which nothing shall be withheld,
whether there be one God
or many gods,
they shall be manifest. 29

D₁ All
thrones and
dominions,
principalities and
powers,

D₂ shall be revealed and set forth upon all who have endured valiantly for the gospel of Jesus Christ. 30

D₁ And also,
if there be bounds set
to the heavens or
to the seas, or
to the dry land, or
to the sun, moon, or stars--31

a All the times of their revolutions,

b all the appointed
days,
months, and
years, and

b all the days of their
days,
months, and
years, and

a all their
glories,
laws, and
set times,

D₂ shall be revealed in the days of the dispensation of the fulness of times--32

C According to that which was ordained in the midst of the Council of the Eternal God of all other gods before this world was,

B₁ that should be reserved unto the finishing and the end thereof,

B₂ when every man shall enter
into his eternal presence and
into his immortal rest. 33

A How long can rolling waters remain impure?
What power shall stay the heavens?

As well might man stretch forth his puny arm to stop the Missouri river in its decreed course, or to turn it up stream,
as to hinder the Almighty from pouring down knowledge from heaven upon the heads of the Latter-day Saints.

A Behold, there are many called, but few are chosen. And why are they not chosen? 35

B Because their hearts are set so much upon the things of this world, and aspire to the honors of men, that they do not learn this one lesson--36

C 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. 37
That they may be conferred upon us, it is true;

D but when we undertake
to cover our sins, or
to gratify our pride, our vain ambition, or
to exercise
control or
dominion or
compulsion
upon the souls of the children of men, in any degree of unrighteousness,

C a behold, the heavens withdraw themselves;

b the Spirit of the Lord is grieved;