

- III C when Christ shall have subdued all enemies under his feet,  
 D and shall have perfected his work; 107  
 E When he shall deliver up the kingdom,  
 E and present it unto the Father,  
 D spotless, saying:  
 C I have overcome and have trodden the wine-press alone, even the wine-press of the fierceness of the wrath of Almighty God. 108 Then shall he be crowned with the crown of his glory, to sit on the throne of his power to reign forever and ever. 109
- B But behold, and lo, we saw the glory and the inhabitants of the telestial world, that they were as innumerable as the stars in the firmament of heaven, or as the sand upon the seashore; 110 And heard the voice of the Lord saying:  
 These all shall bow the knee,  
 and every tongue shall confess to him who sits upon the throne forever and ever; 111  
 For they shall be judged according to their works,  
 and every man shall receive according to his own works,  
 his own dominion, in the mansions which are prepared; 112  
 And they shall be servants  
 of the Most High;  
 but where God and Christ dwell  
 they cannot come, worlds without end. 113
- A This is the end of the vision which we saw, which we were commanded to write while we were yet in the Spirit. 114
- II<sub>1</sub> A But great and marvelous are the works of the Lord, and the mysteries of his kingdom which he showed unto us, which surpass all understanding  
 in glory, and  
 in might, and  
 in dominion; 115
- B Which he commanded us we should not write while we were yet in the Spirit,  
 C and are not lawful for man to utter; 116  
 C Neither is man capable to make them known,
- II<sub>2</sub> B for they are only to be seen and understood by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
 C which God bestows on those who love him, and purify themselves before him; 117  
 C To whom he grants this privilege of seeing and knowing for themselves; 118
- B That through the power and manifestation of the Spirit, while in the flesh, they may be able to bear his presence in the world of glory. 119
- I A And to God and the Lamb be  
 glory, and  
 honor, and  
 dominion  
 forever and ever. Amen.

## Section 77

Revelation given to Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Hiram, Ohio, March 1832. HC 1:253-255. The Prophet wrote, "In connection with the translation of the Scriptures, I received the following explanation of the Revelation of St. John."

- Q. What is the sea of glass spoken of by John, 4th chapter, and 6th verse of the Revelation?  
 A. It is the earth, in its sanctified, immortal, and eternal state. 2
- Q. What are we to understand by the four beasts, spoken of in the same verse?  
 A. They are figurative expressions, used by the Revelator, John, in describing  
     heaven,  
     the paradise of God,  
     the happiness  
     A of man,  
         and of beasts,  
             and of creeping things, and of the fowls of the air;  
     B that which is spiritual  
     C being in the likeness  
         D of that which is temporal;  
         D and that which is temporal  
     C in the likeness  
     B of that which is spiritual;  
     A the spirit of man in the likeness of his person,  
         as also the spirit of the beast,  
         and every other creature which God has created. 3
- Q. Are the four beasts limited to individual beasts, or do they represent classes or orders?  
 A. They are limited to four individual beasts, which were shown to John, to represent  
     the glory of the classes of beings  
         in their destined order  
         or sphere of creation,  
     in the enjoyment of their eternal felicity. 4
- Q. What are we to understand by the eyes and wings, which the beasts had?  
 A. Their eyes are a representation of light and knowledge, that is, they are full of knowledge; and their wings are a representation of power, to move, to act, etc. 5
- Q. What are we to understand by the four and twenty elders, spoken of by John?  
 A. We are to understand that these elders whom John saw, were elders who had been faithful in the work of the ministry and were dead; who belonged to the seven churches, and were then in the paradise of God. 6
- Q. What are we to understand by the book which John saw, which was sealed on the back with seven seals?  
 A. We are to understand that it contains the revealed  
     will,  
     mysteries, and the  
     works  
         of God;  
     the hidden things  
         of his economy  
         concerning this earth during the seven thousand years of its continuance, or its temporal  
         existence. 7

- Q. What are we to understand by the seven seals with which it was sealed?  
 A. We are to understand that the first seal contains the things of the first thousand years, and the second also of the second thousand years, and so on until the seventh. 8
- Q. What are we to understand by the four angels, spoken of in the 7th chapter and 1st verse of Revelation?  
 A. We are to understand that they are four angels sent forth from God,  
     to whom is given power over  
     the four parts of the earth,  
     to save life  
     and to destroy;  
 these are they who have the everlasting gospel to commit to every  
     nation,  
     kindred,  
     tongue, and  
     people;  
 having power  
     to shut up the heavens,  
     to seal up unto life, or  
     to cast down to the regions of darkness. 9
- Q. What are we to understand by the angel ascending from the east, Revelation 7th chapter and 2nd verse?  
 A. We are to understand that
- A the angel ascending from the east is he to whom is given
- B the seal of the living God over the twelve tribes of Israel;
- C wherefore, he crieth unto the four angels having the everlasting gospel, saying: Hurt not  
     the earth, neither  
     the sea, nor  
     the trees,
- B till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.
- A And, if you will receive it, this is Elias which was to come to gather together the tribes of Israel and restore all things. 10
- Q. What time are the things spoken of in this chapter to be accomplished?  
 A. They are to be accomplished in the sixth thousand years, or the opening of the sixth seal. 11
- Q. What are we to understand by sealing the one hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel--twelve thousand out of every tribe?  
 A. We are to understand that  
     those who are sealed are high priests, ordained unto the holy order of God,  
     to administer the everlasting gospel;  
 for they are they who are ordained out of every  
     nation,  
     kindred,  
     tongue, and  
     people,  
     by the angels to whom is given power over the nations of the earth,  
     to bring as many as will come to the church of the Firstborn. 12
- Q. What are we to understand by the sounding of the trumpets, mentioned in the 8th chapter of Revelation?  
 A. a We are to understand that
- b as God made the world in six days, and on the seventh day he

- c finished his work,  
and sanctified it,  
and also formed man out of the dust of the earth,
- a even so,
- b in the beginning of the seventh thousand years will the Lord God
  - c sanctify the earth, and  
complete the salvation of man, and  
judge all things, and  
shall redeem all things,
  - d except that which he hath not put into his power, when he shall have sealed all  
things, unto the end of all things;
- b and the sounding of the trumpets of the seven angels are the preparing and finishing of his  
work, in the beginning of the seventh thousand years--
  - c the preparing of the way before the time of his coming. 13

Q. When are the things to be accomplished, which are written in the 9th chapter of Revelation?

A. They are to be accomplished after the opening of the seventh seal, before the coming of Christ. 14

Q. What are we to understand by the little book which was eaten by John, as mentioned in the 10th chapter of Revelation?

A. We are to understand that it was a mission, and an ordinance, for him to gather the tribes of Israel; behold, this is Elias, who, as it is written, must come and restore all things. 15

Q. What is to be understood by the two witnesses, in the eleventh chapter of Revelation?

A. They are two prophets that are to be raised up to the Jewish nation in the last days, at the time of the restoration, and to prophesy to the Jews after they are gathered and have built the city of Jerusalem in the land of their fathers.

## Section 78

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Hiram, Ohio, March 1832. The order given of the Lord to Joseph Smith for the purpose of establishing a storehouse for the poor. HC 1:255-257. It was not always desirable that the identity of the individuals whom the Lord addressed in the revelations should be known by the world; hence, in the publication of this and some subsequent revelations the brethren were referred to by other than their own names. When the necessity had passed for keeping the names of the individuals unknown, their real names were thereafter given in brackets. Since there exists no vital need today to continue the code names, the real names only are now used herein, as given in the original manuscripts.

The Lord spake unto Joseph Smith, Jun., saying:

- A Hearken unto me, saith the Lord your God, who are ordained unto the high priesthood of my church, who have assembled yourselves together; 2
- B And listen to the counsel of him who has ordained you from on high, who shall speak in your ears the words of wisdom, that salvation may be unto you in that thing which you have presented before me, saith the Lord God. 3
- C For verily I say unto you, the time has come, and is now at hand; and behold, and lo, it must needs be that there be an organization of my people, in regulating and establishing the affairs of the

storehouse for the poor of my people, both in this place and in the land of Zion--4

- D For a permanent and everlasting establishment and order unto my church, to advance the cause, which ye have espoused,
- E<sub>1</sub> to the salvation of man,
- E<sub>2</sub> and to the glory of your Father who is in heaven; 5
- F That you may be equal in the bonds of heavenly things,
- G yea, and earthly things also,
- H for the obtaining of heavenly things. 6
- G For if ye are not equal in earthly things
- F ye cannot be equal in obtaining heavenly things; 7
- E<sub>1</sub> For if you will that I give unto you a place in the celestial world, you must prepare yourselves by doing the things which I have commanded you and required of you. 8
- E<sub>2</sub> And now, verily thus saith the Lord, it is expedient that all things be done unto my glory,
- D by you who are joined together in this order; 9 Or, in other words, let my servant Newel K. Whitney and my servant Joseph Smith, Jun. and my servant Sidney Rigdon, sit in council with the saints which are in Zion; 10 Otherwise Satan seeketh to turn their hearts away from the truth, that they become blinded and understand not the things which are prepared for them. 11
- C Wherefore, a commandment I give unto you, to prepare and organize yourselves by a bond or everlasting covenant that cannot be broken. 12 And he who breaketh it shall lose his office and standing in the church, and shall be delivered over to the buffetings
- a of Satan until the day of redemption. 13
- b Behold, this is  
the preparation wherewith I prepare you, and  
the foundation, and  
the ensample which I give unto you,
- c whereby you may accomplish the commandments which are given you; 14
- d That through my providence, notwithstanding the tribulation which shall descend upon you,
- e - that the church may stand independent above all other creatures  
beneath the celestial world; 15
- That you may come up unto the crown prepared for you, and be  
made rulers over many kingdoms,
- a saith the Lord God, the Holy One of Zion,
- b who hath established the foundations of Adam-ondi-Ahman; 16
- c Who hath appointed Michael your prince, and  
established his feet, and  
set him upon high, and

given unto him the keys of salvation

- d under the counsel and direction of the Holy One, who is without beginning of days or end of life. 17
- B a Verily, verily, I say unto you, ye are little children, and ye have not as yet understood how great blessings the Father hath in his own hands and prepared for you; 18
- b And ye cannot bear all things now; nevertheless, be of good cheer, for I will lead you along.
- c The kingdom is yours and the blessings thereof are yours, and the riches of eternity are yours. 19
- d And he who receiveth all things with thankfulness shall be made glorious;
- c and the things of this earth shall be added unto him, even an hundred fold, yea, more. 20
- b Wherefore, do the things which I have commanded you,
- a saith your Redeemer, even the Son Ahman, who prepareth all things before he taketh you; 21
- A For ye are the church of the Firstborn, and he will take you up in a cloud, and appoint every man his portion. 22 And he that is a faithful and wise steward shall inherit all things. Amen.

## Section 79

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Hiram, Ohio, March 1832. HC 1:257.

- A Verily I say unto you,
- B that it is my will that my servant Jared Carter
- C should go again into the eastern countries, from place to place, and from city to city, in the power of the ordination wherewith he has been ordained, proclaiming glad tidings of great joy, even the everlasting gospel. 2
- D And I will send upon him the Comforter, which shall teach him the truth and the way whither he shall go; 3
- C And inasmuch as he is faithful, I will crown him again with sheaves. 4
- B Wherefore, let your heart be glad, my servant Jared Carter, and fear not,
- A saith your Lord, even Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Section 80

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Hiram, Ohio, March 1832. HC 1:257.

- Verily, thus saith the Lord unto you my servant Stephen Burnett:  
 Go ye, go ye into the world and preach the gospel to every creature that cometh under the sound of your voice. 2 And inasmuch as you desire a companion, I will give unto you my servant Eden Smith. 3  
 Wherefore, go ye and preach my gospel, whether  
 to the north or  
 to the south,  
 to the east or  
 to the west,  
 it mattereth not, for ye cannot go amiss. 4

Therefore, declare the things which ye have  
heard, and  
verily believe, and  
know to be true. 5

Behold, this is the will of him who hath called you, your Redeemer, even Jesus Christ. Amen.

## Section 81

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Hiram, Ohio, March 1832. HC 1:257-258. Frederick G. Williams is called to be a high priest and a counselor in the First Presidency. The historical records show that when this revelation was received in March 1832, it called Jesse Gause to the office of counselor to Joseph Smith in the First Presidency. However, when he failed to continue in a manner consistent with this appointment, the call was subsequently transferred to Frederick G. Williams. The revelation (dated March 1832) should be regarded as a step toward the formal organization of the First Presidency, specifically calling for the office of counselor in that body and explaining the dignity of the appointment. Brother Gause served for a time, but was excommunicated from the Church in December 1832. Brother Williams was ordained to the specified office on March 18, 1833.

Verily, verily, I say unto you my servant Frederick G. Williams:

- A Listen to the voice of him who speaketh, to the word of the Lord your God,
- B and hearken to the calling wherewith you are called,
- C even to be a high priest in my church, and a counselor unto
- D my servant Joseph Smith, Jun.; 2
- E Unto whom I have given the keys of the kingdom, which belong always unto the Presidency of the High Priesthood: 3
- D Therefore, verily I acknowledge him and will bless him,
- C and also thee, inasmuch as thou art faithful in counsel,
- B in the office which I have appointed unto you,  
in prayer always,  
vocally  
and in thy heart,  
in public  
and in private,  
also in thy ministry in proclaiming the gospel in the land of the living, and among thy brethren. 4
- And in doing these things thou wilt do the greatest good unto thy fellow beings, and wilt promote the glory of him who is your Lord. 5
- Wherefore,  
be faithful;  
stand in the office which I have appointed unto you;  
succor the weak,  
lift up the hands which hang down, and  
strengthen the feeble knees. 6  
And if thou art faithful unto the end thou shalt have a crown of immortality, and eternal life  
in the mansions which I have prepared in the house of my Father. 7
- A Behold, and lo, these are the words of Alpha and Omega, even Jesus Christ. Amen.