Satarday, . . . March 6, 1869. He has appointed, He has heard their prayers and granted to them the desires DISCOURSE

By Elder GEORGE Q. CANNON, de-livered in the Old Tabernacle, Sall Lake City, Jan. 31st, 1869.

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To those who are not familiar with days of Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Moses

apostles, of there being any division of that every man, who professes any faith sentiment among them or among their whatever, in Christ, should make, even disciples. Although Paul had not been if he does not indorse the idea that has brought into contact with Peter and been taught and testified to by the Latterthe rest of the Twelve for some years, daySaints,-viz., that God is a God of rehe informs us that when he went to velation, and that He has revealed Himcould be preached to the inhabitants of myself that God is what others have the truth, our case would be pitiable diately the recollection of Joseph's pre-

DESERET EVENING NEWS. Lord, I change not, therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed." This is cforge 0. CANNON. EDITOR AND PUBLISHER starday, March 6, 1869. Satarday, March 6, 1869. the condition of the world at the present of their hearts, and has blessed them according to the faith they have exertime in these respects.

according to the faith they have exer-cised in Him. Everything that we have on record from those who have had any acquain-tance with His attributes or who have bad familiar intercourse with Him con-firms this view of His character. When days of Encol., Noah, Abraham, Moses and are now in existence among the in-tacter day Saluts, but to every men who It is gratifying to reflect that this con-dition of things is likely soon to be end-ed, and that the same gifts, blessings the operations of the gospel of Christ and the prophets; and then again in the Latter-day Saints, but to every man who with opposition and ridicule on every and they reject it, that spirit will be the prophets; and the prophets; and the prophets; and then again in the Latter-day Saints, but to every man who with opposition and ridicule on every and they reject it, that spirit will be the prophets; and the in this Territory, of a people congregat-ing t gether from so many nations and united in their, faith and worship is personal intercourse with Him, but all we see in this Territory. I no not be-God's mode of dealing with the children sary. united in their, faith and worship is something that is very strange and must of necessity, create considerable inquiry and remark. It is wonderful, and is without a parallel on the earth at present; and yet when viewed in the sevent the last made by John a source of wonder and gratitude to con-the was successful in convincing a few has been granted unto them. This is a source of wonder and gratitude to con-the was successful in convincing a few has been granted unto the first record made by and is without a parallel on the earth at present; and yet when viewed in the the sevent made by John the was successful in convincing a few has been granted unto the first record made by as it was of old,—"line upon present, here a little the sevent made by John the was successful in convincing a few has been granted unto the first record made by the sevent the last made by John the was successful in convincing a few has been granted unto the first record made by the sevent the first record made by the sevent the last made by John the was successful in convincing a few the sevent the testimony of Jesus. They obeyed God's doctrine taught to the sevent the started on the testimony the the sevent the started on the testimony the the sevent the started on the sevent here a little the sevent the started on the sevent was of old,—"line upon present here a little the sevent the started on the sevent the sevent the started on the sevent the started on the sevent the at present; and yet when viewed in the light of the gospel which Jesus taught there ought to be nothing particularly wonderful about it, for that which we see in these valleys is what we might Jesus and his Apostles. Jesus taught Jesus and his Apostles. Jesus taught His disciples the plan of salvation. He gave unto them the power and author-ity to go forth and proclaim that plan to every creature, commanding them age and generation, received peculiar been gathered to these valleys, and are established His Church in its purity; knowledge in order to lead them along MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS to baptize, and promised them that they who bowed in obedience to their teach-ings should receive the Holy Ghost. One of the peculiarities of the Holy Uhert is filled with gratitude and praise

those who received it and to make them certainty among those who call them- on successfully in the midst of the most the Church and the restoration of the has been shed upon their minds in relaone. We find no account in the history the Scriptures say, "the same yesterday, thank and praise our Father and God Was fulfilled was fulfilled. that our lot has been cast upon the earth verified. I recollect very well the first

have been saying for years, that "the the church. I happened to pick up a Jerusalem to meet with them, he found self again in these latter days as He did Latter-day Saints are deceived, and that book, upon examining which, I found ence, cannot say that they felt unthat he taught the same principles and in former days. For my part, with the their organization will speedily come to a good many things that struck me as bewas conversant with the doctrines of view I now have respecting God, with Jesus as they were; and so much was the light that has been thrown upon my impressed with the importance of mind by the teachings of the elders of rapid strides towards the fulfillment of ter-day Saints; but I soon found that it him and his brethren and those who the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day that high destiny which its Author has was not. The argument of the writer ple and filled them with peace, and has received the principles they taught, be-lieving in one form of doctrine and one plan of salvation, that he left on record, to one of the churches which he raised up, this sentiment,—"though we or an up, this sentiment,-"though we or an with the records that we have in our two. If we are every where spoken cisely similar arguments to those used angel from heaven, preach any other midst containing the testimony of men against and our names cast out as evil, by the elders of this church; and quotgospel unto you than that which we who lived hundreds of years ago. I they were served the same way; if we ed largely from the Bible to prove that have preached unto you, let him be ac-cursed." He endeavored to impress up-and my hopes of salvation and future ed and condemned, they were not con-ancient days to have such communicaon those with whom he had communi-cation, and over whom he had influ-realized any more than I could be satis-temporaries, many of whom thought and the spirit of revelation, and he ence, that the form of doctrine which he had delivered to them, and which, he says, he received by the Holy Ghost, was the oply form of doctrine that this. I should want to know for

Years elapsed before this preciction was fulfilled, but it was eventually

to-day do not enjoy the same manifes-tations and blessings as they did who believed in Him anciently. feit made its appearance; and as this

Ghost, as we read of its effects in the His Son Jesus Christ, how is it that, to- to our Heavenly Father for the great evil influences that were known noth- stowed upon those who have embraced scriptures, was to unite the hearts of day, there is opposition, strife and un- work which He has founded and carried ing of previous to the establishing of the gospel of Jesus Christ! What light

tism for the remission of their sins and had hands laid upon them for the Holy when these great events are in progress. time I got any intimation of it. I was Ghost than it has seemed as though a I know that the cry of "delusion" and on the Sandwich Islands on a mission; Heavenly peace has taken possession 'false prophets" is raised on every hand, I had stepped into the house of a man of them. Who, that can recollect anyand that the people, generally say, and who afterwards became a member of thing about the time they entered the Church and their subsequent experispeakable gratitude to God for the plessings they received? It has been 'like the dew from Heaven descending." It has descended upon the peomanifestations of which we read among the Spiritualists; there has been no necessity for them.

There is something remarkable in the growth and development of Spiritualism. When Joseph declared that angels had come from Heaven and had manifested themselves to him in bodily presence, and hal laid their hands upon him, his testimony was rejected, the people declaring him to be an imposter, THE BOARD OF REGENTS have secured a false prophet, and not worthy to live;



nations of the earth, that which is wit-nessed in Utah,—one form of worship and one faith, and all the people, every-where worshipping in the same temples and tabernacles, and being governed by cause we have obeyed the form of docthe same principles.

plan of salvation, or in the scriptures essential to salvation, and cause another | ted us. essential. Such a view is irreconcilable nations who have come to the Territory with the teachings of Jesus and His of Utah are united. They have been apostles and of all that is left on record alike in their obedience, and are alike concerning the gifts and power of the in their faith and testimony. It is no Holy Ghost and its office among the wonder that for five hundred miles,that is recorded leads us to suppose that Territory,-settlements have been formif the Holy Ghost were to be bestowed | ed, whose inhabitants dwell together in upon an inhabitant of Europ-, upon another person in Asia, another in Africa, and upon a fourth, in America, requirements and obeying the same and again upon another on the islands ordinances. These are the results of of the sea, that these individuals were obedience to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. they to come together and converse These are the results which followed upon the plan of salvation would en- obedience to that gospel anciently; and

head is all that is necessary; another was poured out upon the Apostles, and not only upon them but upon those who believed in their words; and the world in looking on their union had an

the earth without the curse of Almighty said He is. I should want to know that indeed; but in every age, from the days dictions flashed across my mind. I and they were not satisfied until the trine taught anciently, which has been

It cannot be expected by any person | revealed again in our days, and we have who has any faith or confidence in the received the same testimony that the plan of salvation, or in the scriptures people of God enjoyed anciently. We which contain an account of that plan, have repented of our sins, have been that the Holy Ghost would reveal unto baptized for the remission of them by man two different kinds of faith; that | those having authority; have had hands it would lead them to believe in diff- laid upon us for the reception of the Hoerent forms of doctrine, or that it ly Ghost, according to the practice of would teach one class of men that one the apostles of Jesus in ancient times, that a certain item of the gospel was pleased with our offering and has accep-

the same fate.

Jesus, the last which He offered up, of revelation is needed than is to be found their names were honored and when which we have any account, before to-day throughout so-called Christen- all men spoke well of them. His arrest and betrayal, we shall find dom. Visit the cities of Christendom that He prayed that His apostles might outside of this Territory, and what do be one, even as He and the Father you see? Confusion and division; the were one. And said He, "Neither churches and meeting houses of various have followed their preaching as fol-pray I for these alone, but for them denominations with their spires point-lowed the preaching of the Apostles of ed man is not satisfied with the truth also which shall believe on me through ing heavenward, and people passing Jesus anciently. Those who obeyed or with the testimony of the servants their word; that they all may be one, and repassing to fill these places of as Thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: same God and to believe in Jesus Christ that the world may believe that Thou and the Bible, upon which they profess hast sent me." This prayer, it is pre-sumeable, was recorded in Heaven; you converse with them as to their nor familiar with each other-baptized and it is also presumeable that it was form of doctrine, one will tell you that by men whom they had never before eyes of the blind opened, or the deaf the design of God that it should be to believe in Jesus Christ and to repent answered upon the heads of those in of sin is all that is necessary to secure whose behalf it was offered. This one-ness did characterise the Church in dition to this you must be baptized, and the Church; but who, like Paul, had Something of this kind he must have; the truth, though ness did characterise the Church in those days; and, as I have already said, there is nothing left on record to prove to us that there was anything but one-ness, harmony and union in the midst of the Church during the lives of the apostles. The prayer of Jesus was heard and answered, the Spirit of God was poured out upon the Apostles, and met only upon them but upon theme but u

God resting upon them who preached and propagated it. Hence, it is but rea-sonable to suppose that had the doctrine which Paul taught, which he received from lasure across my mind. I and they were not schow that the sonable to suppose that had the doctrine which Paul taught, which he received from lasure across my mind. I and they were not schow that the sonable to suppose that had the doctrine which Paul taught, which he received from lasure across my mind. I and they were not schow that the sonable to suppose that had the doctrine which Paul taught, which he received from lasure across my mind. I and they were not schow that the sonable to suppose that had the doctrine which Paul taught, which he received from lasure across my mind. I and they were not schow that the sonable to suppose that had the doctrine which Paul taught, which he received from lasure across my mind. I and they were not schow that down to the age of the apostles, bad opportunities of watching the growth and development of this movefrom Jesus, and the doctrine which a knowledge for themselves, I would from God has been hated by his fellows; ment from that day to the present time. was taught by Peter, James, John and contend for that knowledge until I ob- his life has been sought, and he has had I have come in contact with many who Andrew, and the rest of the apostles, been preached and adhered to, by the whole of the inhabitants of the earth, whole of the inhabitants of the earth, the inhabitants of the earth is in the has been sought, and he has hell sought, and he has he we should see, to-day, through all the nations of the earth, that which is wit-nessed in Utah,—one form of worship and one faith, and all the people, every-where worshipping in the same temples ets have not your fathers persecuted? come. The people in his" day would and they have slain them which showed not receive the love of the truth, that before of the coming of the Just One." | they might be saved, "therefore" said Most of the prophets that ever lived he, "for this cause God shall send them on the earth, of whom we have any ac-count, have suffered martrydom. And not only has this been the case with the prophets, but also with Jesus himself, pleasure in unrighteousness." They that Being who came to the earth would not believe the testimony of the clothed with the power and authority servants of God, therefore they were of the Godhead-although His glory given up to hardness of heart and no form of belief in which they unite; was hid from men. He who spake as spiritual blindness. When these things are divided and separated into those portion of the gospel was necessary, and and we have received the promised spirit never man spake, and labored as never overtake them they are ready to fall in are divided and separated into thouanother portion unnecessary; or cause and its gifts, which bear witness unto man labored in the midst of the child- with any spirit or influence that will sands of fragments, all having their own any portion of the people to believe us that we are born of God, that He is ren of men, performing mighty miracles manifest itself amongst them in an exand doing wonderful works, but what traordinary manner. kind of treatment did He receive? He For years after the truth was revealed

portion of the people to believe that the It is no wonder that we are united; it was hated, spit upon, cast out from men would continue to ask for a sign. same item of the gospel was non- is no wonder that men from various among men, and finally killed; and His "If you are the men you profess to be," disciples and apostles after Him shared they would say," give us some miracle,

children of men. On the contrary, all from the extreme north to south of this stand alone in this respect, and that times have the elders been urged to in former times, men have been give some exhibition of power that hated and despised as we are hated and men might know they were sent of despised, to-day, and for no other cause God! Thousands and thousands of than for preaching the truth in its times have professed ministers of the purity and standing up in defence of gospel made this request of them. They holy and pure principles revealed from | would not believe the words of Jesus Heaven. In fact the persecutions and that "these signs shall follow them that hatred the Latter-day Saints have been | believe;" but they wanted the elders to called to pass through, instead of being give signs to prove that Jesus told the tertain precisely similar views respect- these results would have continued to an evidence against, are an evidence in truth. You know what Jesus says resing that plan. To think otherwise would the present day had that gospel and the favor of the truth of the work they are pecting those who wanted signs,-"It is be to make God, our Heavenly Father, the author of strife and division. If we will remember the prayer of There is no better evidence that new

> I have said that the Lord has blessed it is a wicked and adulterous generation His servants in sending them forth to that seek for a sign. You will generpreach the gospel. The same results ally find that they are wicked men who their teachings were united, so are the of God, nor with the calm, heavenly Latter-day Saints. I have seen them, influence of the spirit of God which and so have you, coming from the four rests down upon those who receive the quarters of the earth, mingling togeth- truth in honesty. No, such a man seen-men who had never gathered to made to hear, the dumb to speak the Zion nor associated with the heads of lame to walk, or the dead raised to life.

-cause the blind to see, the dumb to

The elders of this church have proved the truth of the words of Jesus, that wants a sign; he wants to hear some-body speak in tougues, or to see the

thing about spiritual manifestations, and ants as he may require. the people are ready to believe it,-that is, if it is outside of the priesthood and with as much incredulity and scorn as ever.

Well, the difference between the two systems is apparent. The Latter-day Saints are united, just- as Jesus Christ prayed that His followers might be. It is true that we are not yet one as the Father and the Son are one; but we are approximating thereto. The principle of oneness is in our midst and is continually growing. But how is it with those who are the base imitators of the ser-vants of God? Why a thousand vagaries are indulged in by them. There is no form of belief in which they unite; peculiar ideas and views. Is the work of God rolled forth by them? Are the inhabitants of the earth benefitted by them? Is the earth made better, more beautiful or lovely by their labors, or by the revelations they receive? No. there are no fruits of this kind to be We have a glorious array of predeces- speak, the deaf to hear, or the lame to witnessed among them; but all is divisors; and it is a source of consolation walk, that we may know you are sent sion, confusion and chaos. There is and encouragement that we do not of God." How many thousands of nothing to cement them together or make them one. But the work God has established is rolling forth with giant strides and accomplishing great results. It is bringing thousands of the poor and ignorant from the nations of the earth and emancipating them from the poverty, thraldom and bondage under which they and their fathers before them have groaned for generations; and it is revealing to them the gospel of peace, the plan of salvation and planting them in a land of freedom, and plant-stowing upon them every blessing which the heart of man desires. In addition to this it is producing mental results of a wonderful and characteristics results of a wonderful and elevating character. It bestows upon those who obey its precepts Heavenly knowledge, makes them wise in all things, causing them to become an infinitely better people than they were before. Who can not see, if he will open his eyes to the evidence that God has caused to accom-

> and which is the Adversary's? In speaking in this strain I am speak. ing of what I know. I am not telling you what John, Peter or Paul said 1800 years ago, and what Moses left on record. I stand here as a witness, corroborating what they have written. 1 know for myself that God has spoken from the heavens and restored the everlasting gospel in its purity to the earth; that He has ordained His servants and given them the power and authority which were held and enjoyed in ancient days. I know that He has restored to the earth the ordinances of the gospel and the Holy Ghost with its gifts and blessings. These things I have received

pany His work, which is God's work

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