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The instructions which we have heard from our brethren, this morning and afternoon, are calculated to benefit every one of us, if we have listened attentively and are disposed to tre-sure them up in our hearts; but that is the great difficulty with us as but that is the great difficulty what as a people. We hear so individuals and as a people. We hear so much good instruction that it is apt to pall upon us, like persons who have plenty of food: they sometimes eat to satiety and lose their appetite, their food does not relish as it did when they were pinched with bunger and did not have such abundance. The spirit in which they had been carried out in the spirit in which they were have been upon that the spirit in which they were have been upon the spirit in the spirit I do not know that you ever have that feel-ing here in Ogdeu; it is a feeling that no Latter-day Saints should have. In fact, there is this peculiarity ab ut the truth, as it is preached by the servants of God,-the more it is listened to the more it is sought after and cultivated, and the more precious and sweet is its influence upon the hearts of those who take this course. , But where there is indifference and formality, and there is indifference and formality, and people don't seek, as Brother Heber used to say, to dig down to the roots, it may in such run the risk of losing their standing in occasion, and referring to the word of the Cases become wearisome and fail to have the church of Jesus Christ rather than | Lord, it was like seed planted in the heart; forego the gratification of traditions and the effect it should have. But when I look at the progress that the brethren and sisters are making I feel gratified., There are Now, as I have said, a moment's reflec-tion ought to satisfy everybody that this is the true course for us to pursue; that if times, perhaps, when I feel as others do,that we are not making the progress that we should do; that we are more careless we intend to build up the Zion of God and to become a great people, it is essential that we should concentrate our means in and harder in our hearts and less under the " influences of the Holy Spirit and the counone channel; that we should sustain those sels of the servants of God than we should who are friendly to and whose whole interest is centered in the cause of Zion; be. Tuis as my feeling sometimes; but and that instead of spending our means in when I look caluly at the Saints, and confostering a power in our midst that is op sider the many difficulties with which they have to contend and the vast amount of willing, rather than do this, to forego what may seem to be an advautage to us, and tradition that has to be uprooted and overcome, I am gratified at the progress which they make, and feet comforted in the pros-out this policy. If our minds were not they make, and feet comforted in the pro-pects that are before us, and before the Zion of God with which we are connected. It is these traditions that we have to con-tand not allow it to go outside the kingdom tend with that are so difficult for us to over of God any more than it is absolutely ne come, that interfere so seriously with the progress of the people in the things of God. They cang more closely to us than many of They ching more closely to us than many of foster or maintain any man or anything us imagine, and it is only when the spirit that is opposed to His cause. Why, the of God rests upon us and we realize its security that we have here in these mounpower to a great extent that we can underto a very great extent. We are engaged, as has been remarked, in a warfare. The enemy that we have to stand and comprehend the power of tradition over our minds and conduct. This is the great obstruction to the teachings of the elders and to the reception of and obedience to counsel; and that prevents the people being united as the heart of one man. It is this which prevents us entering upon the more perfect order that God has reveal-ed, and that gives our eventies more power in our midst than they otherwise would have. It should be the sim of every one of us to seek, as far as possible, to put these those things necessary for our convenience elders and to the reception of and obedience have power from God, to have sufficient those things necessary for our convenience and comfort. For long years the effort has faith bestowed upon us through His Holy Spirit, to overcome these traditions. The writers in the Book of Mormon, in speak-ing of the vail of darkness that rested upon the minds of the people, alluded to it as a the minds of the people, alluded to it as a faith bestowed upon us through His Holy to induce us to become a self-sustaining upon His Saints. There is a vail over our minds in consequence of the Fad, and our being shut, as it were, through that, from the presence of God. He can see us, but to us He is invisible, and we can know Him sity of the connect phenometry bar and neces-us He is invisible, and we can know Him the presence of God. He can see us, but to sity of the connect phenometry bar and neces-us He is invisible, and we can know Him the presence of God. He can see us, but to manufactures, and to develop the resources which they had in their own midst, so that they might become self-sustaining. There was a providence in this. As I now view it I can see its force more clearly than ever, al hough I always saw the force and neces-to be our guide, and we shall progress stop vail which can be rent assunder by the ex-ercise of faith and by the blessing of God and continually urged to establish home manufactures and to develop the recourses us He is invisible, and we can know Him only through His Holy Soirit, as He re-veals Himself to us from time to time. In consequence of this the adversary has consequence of this the adversary has great power over the hearts of the children of men; and it is only by exercising faith, by seeking earnestly for that spirit which He bestows, that we are enabled to conn- a greater necessity, apparently, than at teract this darkness and the influence that day, that we should be able to suswhich Satan seeks to exercise over our hearts. I rejuice in one fact which God has re-vealed; it countorts my heart when I think the form a from a mongst us to acquire for-vealed; it countorts my heart when I think the form a mongst us to acquire for-the more noble than this work, for it is the work the form a the form a mongst us to acquire for-the more noble than this work, for it is the work the more heat the more moble than this work of the form a form a mongst us to acquire for-the more noble than this work of the more moble than the more moble than the more moble than the work of the more moble than the work of the more moble than the more moble than the work of the more moble than the more moble than the more moble than the work of the more moble than the more mode vealed; it comforts my heart when I think of our condition and . ircumstances and of His Kingdom, and that is that we live in the day when, according to the words of the prophets and according to the revela-tions which God has given to us in this dis-pensation, the power of Satan is becoming less and less, and the power of God is to increase and be made more and more manifest, to the exposing of the works of dark-ness and to the breaking of the yoke which the enemy of all righteousness seeks to fasten upon the minds and understandings of the children of men. It is a glorious thought for us to reflect It is a glorious thought for us to reflect upon that we live in a day and at a time in which God has promised to exercise His power in our behalf, when He and Jesus and the holy angels and the spirits of just men made perfect are all engaged with us in bastening the great work of redemp-tion, and in banishing from the earth the power of evil which has so long held it in thraidom. God has given us this promise, and if we will labor with the zeal and in-dustry which abouid characterize His

have to contend with, and it arises from ity. It has come down to us for genera-the lack of faith in our hearts, and the un-belief that we have received from our fore-in the hearts, minds and feelings of the was from God and that God established in the hearts, minds and feelings of the children of men, and it is an exceedingly difficult thing to get them to comprehend that temporal things and spiritual things are alike in the sight of God; that there is no line of demarcation between the two; that the religion of Jesus Christ applies to one as much as another, and comprehends within its scope, temporal equally with 1 athers. And we have to contend with it when counsel is given, to us in relation to our temporal circumstances and other maters. It is frequently the case that we canhot see any particular advantage in that counsel; it does not strike us favorably. We imagine that some other course would be better for us to pursue; and that by adopting some other line of policy or conspiritual matter duct greater advantages would accrue unto

This has made it difficult to enforce upon us the necessity of practically carrying out the principle of co-operation. "O," say us. But we have to learn, if we have not already learned it, that obedience to counalready learned it, that obeclience to contact set is the policy for us to pursue; and that when we indulge in thoughts of an opposite character we suffer ourselves to be led as-tray by the power of the adversary. Hence it has become almost proverbial among the Saints that the path of counsel is the path I look upon that principle, though it may of safety. Those who have had years of experience in the church have arrived at the conclusion that the path marked out for us to walk in by those who have authority the conclusion that the path marked out for us to walk in by those who have authority to counsel and dictate is invariably the path of safety to those who adopt it. But Urraditions interfere with this. You look back over the policy that has been taught us for the past few rears. I refer more particularly to this because refer more particularly to this because the second divine. Divine wisdom has inspired the servant of God who presides and whom God has chosen to be His mouthpiece in our midst, been taught us for the mast few rears. I

these surrounding us. But how difficult it faith. Our minds should be drawn out and has been to induce the people to carry that our faith exercised. It may be but little its influence and effect at first were not desires, which, seemingly, have taken en-tire possession of them-namely to do as they please in relation to these matters. We are not they please in relation to these matters. We are not they please in relation to these matters. and grow and the possessor of it said, "Why it is a good seed, I feel it growing!" And if it were nourished and cherished it weuld continue to grow until it, to use a figure, it would become a great tree, and fill Then, when the servant of God stands up ngure it would become a great 'ree, and fill the whole man with light, knowledge and wisdow, and with the gifts and qualifica-tions necessary to make him perfect before the Lord. Our faith may be small in the beginning, but if we cultivate it, it will grow; if we do not it will die out, noxious weeds will spring up and choke it. But if we exercise it as we should, the wall of to us to go on a foreign mission, to go to weeds will apring up and energe it. But it of the second of the word come word come is a second which prevents us comprehending the things of His Kingdom, will grow thinner and thinner, until we see with great dis-

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His Zion, and their hearts burned at the thought that they would soon be with the thought that they would soon be with the Saints of God in Zion. They yearned for the land of Zion and for the society of the people of God. This was their testimony, and they had it in the States, Europe, Af-rica, Asia, Islands of the Sea, and in every Iand where the gospel has been preached and the people have been prepared to re-ceive it. ceive it

This has been the testimony, and if this spirit has continued to rest upon them, principle that has been taught has en plain and delightful to them. Is not this our experience, brethren and sisters? We can all bear testimeny to it. Then whence comes this darkness and these deubts respecting counsel? Whence comes this query about co-operation? Whence comes this distrust about other counsel in relation to temporal matters? Why, it is very easy to understand whence it comes sion of sin. There are causes for all this, for let me tell you, and testify to you to-quantity of his medicine from the East, and is day, that the Latter-day Saint who lives near to God, and has the spirit of God constantly resting upon him or her, never has any doubts about any principle that God has revealed. When the gathering was taught they were prepared for it; when the payment of tithing was taught they were prepared for it; when consecration was taught they were prepared for it; when the move South was taught they were prepered for it; when the move back was taught they were prepared for it; when celestial marriage was taught they were prepared for it; when the word came "Cease to trade with our enemies," they were prepared for it; and when Co-operation tion was taught they were prepared for it. There was no doubt in their minds, be cause the same spirit that taught them that this was the truth in the beginning, and that God had spoken from the heavens, taught them also that all these things were true. But when you have doubts respecting counsel given by the servants of God then be assured my brethren and sisters, it, and we should seek unto God with full

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tunes from our means and labors. For years has counsel on these subjects been years has counsel on these subjects been reiterated in our ears, and scarcely a mest-ing has been held by the First Presidency, the Twelve Apostles, or any of the Elders of Israel in which this subject has not been prominently dwelt upon, the Elders feeling in their spirit and in their entire being that it was essentially important that the Latter-day Saints should carry out this policy atrictly. We can now begin to see, if this strictly. We can now begin to see, if this

You may trace the counsels that have been given to us from the beginning, one step following another in natural order and succession; one principle leading to an-

we are progressing in the knowledge of God and in the comprehension of truth. And let me tell you my brethren and sis-ters, if we thus live, when counsel is given, no matter what it may be, or what principle oppose is one that does not relent in the it may refer to, it will be plain and simple, and as clear unto our minds as the light possessed of the spirit of God we will say, in this glorious land! We have rulers of "There is light in this principle; I see its our own choice, men whom God advantages, I will sustain it by carrying it has chosen; we have the voice of God in our deem it from the thraldom of sin and from the power of Satan; and the Kingdom of Satan will recede before the light, faith and power of the Saints and Kingdom of God. God in power and great glory; where we can be a free people, if we so choose. If this is not the case, it is because we are wicked; because we disobey counsel; because we This is the work in which we are engaged. It is not a work to occupy our attention for one day and then have it diverted from it for a week; but it is the work of our enmore noble than this work for it is the work of God—a work in which He, Himself, is engaged—a work that occupies the attention and labors of Jasus, and every holy aposle, prophet and Saint that has ever lived on the earth. These things are not gained without exertion; they require industry, seal and attention on our part; and when we thus bestow attention on the work in which we are occupied, why God is with us angels around about us, the heavens are open to us, the spirit of God is poured out upon us and our lives area pleasant flowing stream, full of peace, joy and heaven. We feel that wherever we go we carry this holy influence with us and diffuse it around us; and thus the power of Satan is weakened on the earth, and the power of God is increased.

cessary; an that we should never use the influence which God has given us, or the means which He has bestowed upon us to foster or maintain any man or anything that is opposed to His cause. Why, the course we shall feel and understand that of an understand that the reach of all; is is practical. We can obtain and possess and enjoy it; and if we do not, we do not live course we shall feel and understand that of I feel sometimes, I wish I had the tongue His church to the earth, and has given us prophets and apostles and the Holy Ghost and its gifts; and in His great mercy has

midst, so that we need not walk in darkness and doubt. There is no uncertainty in all the land of Zion concerning the pur-poses of God. It need not be said of us as it was said of Israel, "There is no Urim and Thummim; there is no dream or vision, and no prophet in the land." We have the prophet of God; we have the visions of the Almighty; we have the spirit of God de-scending upon us like sweet dew; we have the gifts of the spirit of God; we have the gospel in the fullness and plenitude of its power. We have all this, and we have the promises of God concerning us and our posterity; and as I have said, we have this glorious land of freedom and liberty, where we can build up the kingdom of harden our hearts and have placed our-selves in a position to be acourged. It is not God's will that we should be, or that our enemies should have power over us.

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