

in a more prosperous condition than are the inhabitants of almost any other portion of our country.

Do we ever pray for the redemption of Zion? Do we look to the raising up of a people in these mountains who will be worthy to go back and possess that land? Or do we expect to be compelled to spiritualize the revelations upon this subject, and deny for them a literal fulfillment? When we wish to prove that Joseph Smith was a true Prophet, we point to the revelations and prophecies received through him, and to their accomplished or expected fulfillment in a literal sense.

There is at least one revelation in the Book of Doctrine and Covenants which must at some time be repealed. It is the one which relates to Zion's Camp, which had gone up to redeem Zion. In it the Lord declares that the time had not come to redeem Zion, but that His Elders must wait for a time, as His people were not prepared for redemption. When the Saints shall be prepared, this revelation will be repealed, at least in part, and the word will go forth, commanding them to go back to Jackson County and redeem Zion. Zion will be redeemed, and the revelations and prophecies of the Prophet Joseph Smith upon this subject will be literally fulfilled, though it now looks, from a natural standpoint, very improbable. The return of the Israelites after seventy years of captivity, as had been predicted by Jeremiah, seemed impossible; yet it was accomplished exactly as Jeremiah had predicted.

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next spoke. There is no greater subject for us to reflect upon than the redemption of Zion. It was the topic of Prophets in ancient times, and we are fulfilling the programme for its accomplishment. We could not have built up the center Stake of Zion when the Saints lived in Missouri. Many things had to be accomplished first. We had to come to these mountains, as to a school-house, and here be taught to walk in God's paths. This people have made great progress in the direction of the redemption of Zion since they came here. They know how to exercise faith now, as they did not in the days of Missouri. When the Prophet Joseph was martyred, all was confusion, and hope seemed almost lost. The people had not the faith and understanding which they have today. When President Young passed away there was not a ripple on the surface of the sea of Saints. All knew to whom to look for leadership. I mention this to show the increased faith and knowledge of the Saints.

When the Priesthood of God is upon the earth there must be more or less revelation. We can prove from the Bible that upon the American continent is to be the Zion of God. The house of the Lord was foretold by ancient prophets, to be established in the tops of the mountains, and people of all nations were to flow unto it.

Are not the Saints now being

taught, by the unlawful oppression they are suffering, the necessity of a just administration of the law? We can see that this people are here getting an education that is calculated to fit them to rule among the nations of the earth.

The speaker quoted copiously from the prophecies of the Old Testament, foreshadowing the history of the Latter-day Saints; showed how some of them had been fulfilled, and expounded others still to be fulfilled.

The choir sang:

Come, come ye Saints, no toil nor labor fear,
But with joy wend your way.

Conference was adjourned till 2 o'clock. Benediction by Elder Robert Campbell.

Monday Afternoon.

The choir sang:

Arise, O glorious Zion,
Thou joy of latter days.

Prayer by President T. E. Ricks, of Bannock Stake.

The choir sang:

I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives.

President Angus M. Cannon then read the reports of the Third, Sixth and Seventh quorums of Elders. While doing so he explained that, while the proper number of members in a quorum of Elders is ninety-six, it has, in some instances, been deemed advisable to allow this number to be increased until there is a sufficient number to organize a new quorum.

He then read the report of the Sunday schools of the Stake.

A number of the Elders Quorums reported that lectures on doctrine had been inaugurated which were very entertaining and instructive as shown by the increased attendance at the quorum meetings by the members.

President Cannon then read the list of home missionaries, who were sustained by the conference, as follows:

Angus M. Cannon,	Livingston, Charles
Joseph E. Taylor,	Morgan, Jos. H.
Charles W. Penrose,	Morris, Elias
Anderson, James H.	McGhie, James
Angell, Theodore J.	Mitchell, F. A.
Armstrong, Francis	Moyle, James H.
Anderson, Wm. N.	Miner, Aurelius
Beattie, Walter J.	McKay, Samuel
Brighton, Wm. S.	McMurrin, James L.
Burton, Willard O.	Nicholson, John
Brown, Henry W.	Nasbitt, Henry W.
Bull, Joseph, Jr.	Friday, Samuel
Burrows, Josiah	Paul, Joshua H.
Ballantyne, Richard A.	Phillips, Wm. G.
Caine, Alfred H.	Pratt, Milton H.
Cummings, Horace H.	Peck, Ward E. Jr.
Clawson, Spencer	Parry, Henry E.
Cannon, Geo. M.	Ritter, Wm. W.
Campbell, Robert S.	Richards, Franklin S.
Christopherson, M.	Richards, Sam'l W.
Cowan, Wm. A.	Siddoway, John
Cummings, B. F. Jr.	Summerhays, Jos. W.
Cope, Francis	Stewart, Joshua B.
Clawson Seiden I.	Stayner, Arthur
Clinton, Jeter	Sharp, James
Dougall, Wm. B.	Saunders, John W.
Davis, David F.	Savage, Charles R.
Eddington, Wm.	Spencer, Samuel G.
Hardley, James W.	Snell, John W.
Emery, David S.	Thorpe, H. F. F.
Farmer, Erastus G.	Thorpe, Jos.
Flashman, James T.	Taylor, Robt. B. T.
Goff, Hyrum	Taylor, Geo. S.
Groesbeck, Hyrum	Talmage, James E.
Goddard, Heber S.	Wood, Wm.
Gibby, Richard	Walsh, John
Hardy, Leonard G.	Woodruff, Wilford, Jr.
Hughes, Francis D.	

Harker, Jos.
Harris, Thos.
Hyde, Frank H.
Hyde, Jos. S.
Jenson, Andrew
Johnson, Jas. H.
Knox, Wm.
Kimball, Andrew
Lambert, Geo. C.
Lambert, Richard G.

Wells, Joseph S.
Woolley, Orson A.
Wood, Wm. Jr.
Wright, Elias S.
Wells, G. B. F.
Wicken, Chas. H.
Young, Jos. D. C.
Young, Harry A.
Young, Richard W.

The officers of the choir, and Scandinavian, and Hawaiian meetings, and of the Y. M. M. I. A., Relief Societies, Y. L. M. I. A., Sunday Schools, and Primaries, were also presented and sustained.

Elder Royal B. Young was sustained as First Counselor in the Presidency of the Y. M. M. I. Associations of the Stake in place of Elder George C. Lambert, who was released to attend to other business, and Elder James W. Eardly was sustained as Second Counselor.

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addressed the Conference and said: I rejoice in hearing my testimony from time to time, to the truths of the Gospel. No Latter-day Saint is justified in laboring in any direction unless he or she is able to ask the blessing of God upon his or her labors. In looking over the list of the authorities of the Church, the presiding quorum, I find no two alike in their dispositions; but all are engaged in the work of God. Those of us who have been blessed with ability to do good but who do not use the talent given unto us, will have that talent taken from us and given to another. We have been placed upon this earth not to labor to accomplish our natural desires, but the will of our Father in heaven. Unless we seek to accomplish His purposes we are not laboring in a manner pleasing in His sight. I remember hearing a man who was once prominent in this Church say that he believed the Elders were entitled to the Spirit of God while engaged in the ministry, but that he did not believe that God had anything to do with the temporal affairs of life. In noticing the transactions of men who believe this, I have been led to think that they were about right so far as their own actions were concerned; I was ready to believe that God had nothing to do with some of their doings.

I once knew a good brother who went to a store and bought a bill of goods. He laid down \$110 to pay for them. Before the money could be put into the till, a man came into the store with a subscription to raise means to aid in ejecting from his seat in Congress, our Delegate, Hon. George Q. Cannon. Ten dollars of this good brother's money was taken from the counter and given for this purpose.

In Tooele Stake where I then presided the Saints prayed that Brother Cannon might keep his seat in Congress. We accuse the ladies of always forgetting something when they write a letter, and having to write a postscript. It seems to me that when this good brother prayed he ought to have added a postscript to his prayer, to the effect that the Lord would not notice the fact that \$10 of his money had gone to help put Brother Cannon out of his seat.

I have known persons who were