

that which God has made manifest unto me. Well, the world want that we should lay aside that which God has revealed and not speak of Joseph Smith, nor of the revelations which he gave.

When I was abroad preaching some said to me we would be popular if we would say nothing about the Book of Mormon, Joseph Smith, baptism for the remission of sins, or the laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost; they said if we would let these things alone we would be popular.

Good heavens! We are now more popular than any other religious community upon the earth; we extend, as some would call it, from Dan to Beersheba, we extend to every nation, continent and country, and almost to every island of the sea. The gospel has been carried to almost every people; we have offered them the principles of life and salvation, and we shall continue to do so while there is any hope for them.

I expect, like us, the inhabitants of the earth will have their ups and downs, their troubles and afflictions. There has been a great chill among them; they had one when we had one, and now the fever has begun to increase with us it has begun to increase upon them, and by and by there will be another chill, and it will keep doubling and redoubling till the whole world is in motion. Will it overthrow this work? No, never.

I want the gentlemen that are here to-day, and who are going East, to tell the people of the United States that they need not trouble themselves, for 'Mormonism' will increase and triumph until every king will be cast down from his throne and the President of the United States, unless he and the people repent; and what they call 'Mormonism' will continue to increase henceforth and for ever.

When they killed Joseph Smith and Hyrum, David Patten and many others, they supposed that was the end of 'Mormonism'; that it was annihilated. Bless your souls, instead of its being annihilated it has increased a hundred fold, and we have now more Elders preaching the gospel, yes, about ten times more than there are people in this vast congregation this afternoon, and I presume there are some seven or eight thousand here to-day.

You may think this rather extravagant, but there are more Elders in England than there are people here to-day, and England is not as big as the State of New York, where I lived. They will spread and increase from this time on, and this work is bound to increase and spread abroad and all hell cannot pull it down.

Suppose the Gentiles were to try to put it down and to kill Br. Brigham and me and Br. Daniel and the Twelve Apostles, still there are some fifty or sixty Quorums of Seventies that are capable of spreading abroad this kingdom. Why bless you it is like the mustard seed; you know it is most troublesome to get out of the garden. You get vexed with it and go and kick it about, and by that means you make ten thousand more little mustard trees.

Well, you know they drove us far away into these mountains, and now see the multitude of little mustard trees that are growing up. [Laughter.]

We want you to tell this, gentlemen, when you get down to the States, for we don't have a mail very often, and therefore we drop a word here and there, and we want every body to carry the tidings. It is not only me, but the Prophet Brigham talks just so. I suppose you will think 'what a monstrous fellow he is.'

I have been afflicted with colds ever since I came from the north, but I all the time grow fat. I do not drink ale, whisky, rum nor any kind of spirituous liquor, but I seek to drink largely of the peaceable Spirit of God, that I may be strengthening to my brethren and sisters.

As for the world and the United States, and their opposition, which they call outside pressure, we care very, very little. We have some big mountains between us and them, and they cannot remove them, because they have not faith.

Such a row as there is in the States at the present time I never before heard of; it is 'Mormonism,' down with 'Mormonism!!' Mr. President, send up the troops and set those 'Mormons' in order.

Gentlemen, [to the strangers] did you ever see any body out of order here? Have you seen any body drunk? You have not, unless it was yourselves. I have not seen any body drunk, no not on the Fourth of July. I have not seen a drunken man in the streets, much less a woman. One reason is, perhaps, that we have not got any liquor, and God grant that we may not have much.

You do not see many people about our streets idling away their time. To-morrow morning you may see a few persons who have come from the country to get a little counsel, but after that you won't see a man in the street excepting those who are going to or coming from their work, for they are all hard to work hoeing their corn, watering their wheat and getting their wood from the canyons.

God Almighty bless this people, I say, and increase their faith and their strength, that they may increase and multiply. And may God increase the 'mustard seed' and cause it soon to fill the earth.

May the Lord our God bless the bees in the hive of Deseret, and root out the drones, for they only eat out the honey while the bees go out and gather it in.

Well, gentlemen, we are calculating that we have got the best crops that we have ever had, and the best that are in the world, and the Lord our God has blessed the land for our sake.

We had a famine last year, but we lived through it, and we are now going to work to lay up our grain, and we are building storehouses to store it away in; and we shall not only store away grain but other things that will keep, and the day will come that you (strangers) will have to come to us for bread to eat; and we will be

your saviors here upon Mount Zion. You don't believe it now, but wait a little while and you will see that it will come to pass.

Many of the people of the United States exulted over us when we were brought down to a morsel of bread, and had to deal out one to another in order to subsist. I put my family on short rations in order to have some to deal out to others and so did Br. Brigham and many others, and at the same time our enemies and the priests in their pulpits were praising God that we had hard times, with trouble and perplexity.

We never were more happy in our lives than we were at that time, and we did not have the belly ache through eating too much, but we were lively and diligent in serving God, and that is the reason we are becoming so corpulent this year. Last year we had not enough, but this year we have plenty and we are going to lay it up in store; wheat and every thing that will keep.

I am telling these gentlemen what we are going to do so that they can carry the news to the States.

Ladies, we do not want you to tease your husbands for silks and satins and fine bonnets, but go to work and manufacture your own clothing, and if you will do that you will do the best that you ever did in your lives; this is as true as that the Lord ever spoke by his prophets; the time has come for us to lay up our stores.

Will the world follow our example? No, they will not, and if we do our duty, who cares whether they do or not. They will come with their bonnets, their fine clothing and their jewelry, and be glad to work for us to get their bread.

You tell that in the States, gentlemen, won't you? Whether you do or not, they will learn of it; they publish nearly everything that we say, and this will be published.

We are a people, here in the valleys of the mountains, who are hated and have been broken up and driven for our religion till we have got used to it. Br. Brigham told you he had been driven five times, and so have I, and I have had everything taken from me that I had, but yet I have got enough to eat and drink, and enough of everything, and so have you, and my prayer is all the while, God bless you.

Lay up your stores and take your silks and fine things and exchange them for grain and such things as you need, and the time will come when we will be obliged to depend upon our own resources, for the time is not far distant when the curtain will be dropped between us and the United States.

When that time comes, brethren and sisters, you will wish you had commenced sooner to make your own clothing. I tell you, God requires us to go into home-manufacture, and prolong it as much as you like, you have got to do it.

You will also see the day that you will wish you had laid up your grain, if you do not do it now; for you will see the day, if you do not take care of the blessings God has given to you, that you will become servants, the same as the world will.

We have told you this before; you have been exhorted year after year to prepare for hard times; you have been told of this often enough. We have told you that when hard times come again you won't have the privilege that you had last time, of having food dealt out to you gratuitously, but you will have to pay for all you get; this will come to pass.

I suppose there are many who don't believe it; to such it is like a tune that strikes upon the drum of the ear, passes off and is forgotten.

I will prove to you that I will put my faith with my works and lay up stores for my family and for my friends that are in the United States, and I will be to them as Joseph was to the people in the land of Egypt. Every man and woman will be a savior if they will do as I say. You may write this down and send it to the States, for it will be published.

Let repentance take place amongst you where it is necessary, and let confidence, diligence in the performance of duty and humility be manifest in your lives; keep the commandments of God, be subject to God's authority and save yourselves all the time, and the Lord our God will have pleasure in making you like Joseph of old.

Now, if persons were coming from the old country, from far distant lands, would you not feel comfortable if you had plenty to feed them with when they come?

These things bear heavily upon my mind, and they have done so for some time. There are very few who have got any surplus grain on hand. There is considerable in the Tithing Store and there are a few individuals who have some on hand, but there is not a great deal in the country excepting our present crop. It behooves us to be saving and prepare for the time to come.

The day will come when the people of the United States will come lugging their bundles under their arms, coming to us for bread to eat.

Every Prophet has spoken of this from the early ages of the world. Already we begin to see sickness, trouble, death, famine and pestilence, and more yet awaits the nations of the wicked.

Jesus said when you hear of these things in foreign nations, destruction and desolation, you may then look forth for my coming and know that it is nigh at hand. In relation to the world, our enemies, their soldiery and their governors, I do not fear them, and I never did.

If you will do right, keep the commandments of God, I can say with all the propriety that any man, prophet or apostle ever did, you shall never want for food, nor raiment, nor houses, nor lands, and no power on the earth can injure you. There is no power that shall prevent our prosperity, for we shall increase while every other power upon the earth that is opposed to this work and our God will go down. I just know it: Amen.

Never give a boy a shilling to hold your shadow, whilst you climb a tree to look into the middle of next week: it is money thrown away.

REMARKS

By Elder Daniel Carn, Bowery, Sunday Afternoon July 5, 1857.

[REPORTED BY LEO HAWKINS.]

As it has fallen to my lot to speak this afternoon, I solicit your prayers and your faith that I may bring something forth for your edification.

[Asked a blessing on the bread.]

I am glad that I am here, that we are all here under as favorable circumstances as we are. We have the most reason of any people in the world to be thankful, and the longer I am in 'Mormonism' the better I like it, and the stronger I get.

In making a contrast between this people and the religionists of the day, we see at once that the hand of the Lord is in this work; in viewing the principles of God which he has made known unto the children of men from time to time, we readily see that they corroborate the Latter Day Work.

There are no lack of religions in the world, there are thousands of them, all professing to worship God, that is their God; and the difference betwixt them and us, we worship the true and the living God, and they worship a God that has no body, whose center is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere.

They have as much sincerity and honesty about them, perhaps, as many of us have. Many of them, as you have read, can reach out their hand, and have the nails extracted from their fingers for something they have done contrary to their religion. This shows their sincerity, and they know no better.

From the beginning there was a Gentile religion and a Gentile priesthood in all ages of the world, and it always came in contact with the religion of God, with the religion of Jesus Christ.

You can hardly find a people in the world that do not believe in the Bible, except those that style themselves Deists, or Atheists; the Hindoos and Mahomedans believe in Prophets and Patriarchs, but they do not believe in the New Testament; they do not believe in the Priesthood of God, they do not know anything about it.

In the days of the Prophets and Patriarchs and the days of Christ and his apostles, the people made war with any thing that came in contact with their notions. Before this work came into existence, in the Christian world, where we have been raised, many of us, if a man had got up and delivered a prophecy, that whenever a people should come forth who would practice the principles that Christ and his Apostles taught, that all the christian world would persecute them, would any of us have believed it? Very few of us would have believed it.

We have been taught to believe the Bible and the New Testament from our infancy up; we have read them over and over again; and a certain passage reads, "He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved, and he that believeth not shall be damned, and these signs shall follow them that believe: in my name shall they cast out devils, they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall be healed," &c., but the moment that a Prophet made his appearance, and set up for the true religion the doctrine of Christ, every body was up against him, saying, We do not want any new Prophets but we believe in old Prophets, in Christ, and the Apostles; we can now have religions according to our notions.

Well, now, what is the matter with all the world?—with priest-craft, and every body else?—Our President told the story to-day we know all about it. If we did not come out and say that God is in this work, and that he has established his kingdom upon the earth, and that we have the gifts of the Holy Ghost among us, all would be right between us and the world, and the salvation to us would be, 'hail, fellows, well met.' They want nothing of the Prophets, nothing of the man who has the Priesthood of God and will put down wickedness in high places. This is all the trouble; there is nothing else. God is in the work, and I am glad I know it.

I have been thinking a great deal about the principle of prayer; we have been taught to pray after the manner of men, and I find that I have a great deal of tradition about me. Instead of going before the Lord thanking him for the blessings with which he is continually blessing me, I very often find myself asking him to do something for me that it is my duty to do for my self.

As for having any fears of what may come, I have none. I am particularly calm, particularly easy. If it was after the manner of men we would be in trouble, but God is at the head of this work, and he will control it and govern it, and all will be right if we will only obey him, and those who are set over us.

I believe in what was said to-day, that we should be one, that our interest should be one, that all should be controlled by those whom the Lord has chosen; that is all right.

We have that confidence in the God we worship, that he will bless us. I do not borrow any trouble about this work; I cannot turn it to the right or to the left, it will take a steady onward course. I have seen men apostatize and leave the Church; did they stop the work? No! They killed our Prophet, did it stop the work? No. We are contending for the principles of truth, for the kingdom of God upon the earth; if we should die for this cause would it not be better for us? Why certainly. Who cares? Who fears man? I never have. In our troubles and difficulties there never was one of my nerves trembled. I could hold my gun up as well as I could at a buffalo, and I hope it may ever be the case.

We will have to be proven, and if we had no trials set before us that we could corrupt ourselves and transgress, if we should be edged up and tied down, that we never had the privilege of sinning, we would not be a tried people. If a man or a woman that belongs to the Kingdom of God cannot be where wickedness is, and where there is a chance for us to do wickedly, and corrupt ourselves; if we cannot keep clear and clean all the time, we ain't fit for the Kingdom.

If we cannot leave the wicked and unclean things without touching or handling them and besmearing ourselves, we are not the people we should be. For my own part I always find enough to do to take care of number one, and to keep myself posted up with regard to 'Mormonism,' for it is rolling on so fast that it keeps me busy to keep up with the times.

If I did not have a knowledge—if this work did not appear consistent, in itself, of course I would begin to doubt; but we can understand it, we can see the hand of God in it, we believe the words of God, which have been spoken through his prophets will all be fulfilled.

The people of the world disagree with us, but who cares, so we know we are right, and when we know we are right, what is there to fear?—Nothing. We are blessed above all people, we are in a healthy land, we are in a fruitful land, we are in a land where the Lord has said he would bless us, and we never need to be without blessings if we will only be controlled by the principles which are made known to us by the Presidency, and by the Spirit of God.

It is our right to know for ourselves, and if I had not a knowledge of the work and the will of God for myself I would have to put my trust in man.

I am convinced that the authorities that God has placed over his work upon the earth, are right. There is a possibility for a man or woman to go astray from the right way, and as soon as we leave off living up to our duty we get into the dark. This I know by experience. Sometimes I have a good, smooth road before me, and I rejoice all the time, and sometimes it is not so smooth.

If any man or woman gets out of the way and does not come back to the starting point, to the right place, it is hard for them to keep right, at least it is hard for me.

Well, I for one feel like going on, and doing what it is my duty to do. I feel that I get stronger every day, and get more wisdom, and more knowledge, and see the consistency of and understand the work as it moves along.

We all know that when we belonged to the Gentile world we viewed the Kingdom of God in an entirely different way from what we now see it. We find that it is a government or kingdom upon the earth, composed of men, women and children, and every article for life that we used to need, we need now; we have to learn how to use them and not abuse them, for they are the Lord's.

Well now, let it be as it may, what have we to care for? The nations of the earth? It would be well enough if they were better; but that is their affair. If they will reject 'Mormonism,' they will have to bear the consequences; but as it was observed by Br. Feramo Little, a great many people in the States know nothing at all about Mormonism. Why do they not put themselves in the way to learn something correctly about us? Many love lies better than truth; let an apostate write a letter, or go back to the States, editors will publish every thing he says, and thus the slander goes from one end of the country to the other; the people are posted up about us as a bad people, but no one knows anything about us as a good people, or if they do, they dare not open their heads.

There are those who have been among us several years, but they have never proven themselves our friends; like blood-suckers, all they want is our money; they have never written a letter to the States to rebut a single falsehood or misrepresentation.

How many are there in Congress who will make themselves acquainted with our true character? If any do, they dare not get up and tell the people the truth concerning us, or their real sentiments; if a man should become our friend and openly advocate our cause, there are men corrupt enough among the nation's legislators to seek his overthrow at once. When I was in Germany, when the senator of Hamburg had me summoned and wanted to know what I was doing and what I came for, I told him I was American citizen, an honorable man from America, and that I had come to try to save them; I have come here, said I to preach the gospel and gather out the honest in heart.

He told me that he had understood and made himself acquainted with my character and was satisfied I was a gentleman.

I told him I was glad of it, and if he would honor his law as much as I had, I could preach the gospel.

As soon as the kingdom of God was destroyed, in the days of the Apostles of Jesus, the kingdoms of this world triumphed, and they have retained the ascendancy till this day. But now the kingdom of God is set up again, never to be overthrown, and he whose right it is will soon come to reign.

You can bring forth anything and every thing in the world, except the truth, and it will be tolerated. In America you can get up anything and it will be tolerated, no odds how false or ridiculous it may be; you may fall down and worship a stump or a stone, or anything else, and have your rights and liberties secured; but go out and bear your testimony that God has set up his work in the latter days, and say they, "You can't come that, you will have to do as we tell you, we have got the strong arm." Go to every nation under heaven and you will find this to be the case.

As it was observed in the forenoon by our President, if those men who are acquainted with this work would only say nothing about the Book of Mormon, or Joseph Smith, or Brigham Young, if they would say nothing about baptism for the remission of sins and the laying on of hands for the reception of the Holy Ghost, all would be right.

I do not feel like taking up much time; but when I look at these things, at the world, and make the contrast I feel like thanking my God all the time that we are so happy, that our lot has been cast in the time when the Kingdom of God