The Gospel a Personal and Practical Work.

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the benefit that we shall derive from them will depend upon the use we make

credit, to our salvation from the evils of this life, and to our complete re-

in which every individual should feel a personal responbility—a responsibil-

tleman said to me the other day, as we were coming through Echo, "When Brigham Young established himself and his people in these mountain valleys he made no mistake. He understood that it was the best spot of earth between the Missauri, given and the

between the Missouri river and the Pacific coast, and was the place for the

guided in the selection of this land by the spirit of revelation from God. He

id not feel to acknowledge that God

had His hand in it at all. It is the same in regard to every other feature

of this work. We had pointed out to us this morning very clearly, through the inspiration of the Holy Ghost upon

Elder Taylor, how that the Gospel, restored through the Prophet Joseph

Smith, is affecting the religious world. This is true, and they are prov-

ing that Joseph Smith was a Prophet

of God, whether they believe it or not. But they are not adopting our ideas

for the purpose of drawing interest to this work, or of establishing any dispo-

sition in the hearts of the people to in-vestigate what they call "Mormon-

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ple." Of course, he told the truth, he did not wish to acknowledge t President Brigham Young was

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he said.

joice with you in the privilege of at-tending this conference, and, feeling weakness in standing before you, in anxious that you will sustain me your prayers of faith, that the by Spirit may suggest, as He has no to the other brethren, what ought and stewardship they claim to have a union in spiritual and temporal things that will bind the people together com-Many good things are said to us, and

PATH OF DUTY THE PATH OF SAFETY.

them will depend upon the use we make of them. We should not be hearers of the word alone; we should be doers of it. It is the doing of the word of God, the keeping of His commandments in all things, that will count to our small the our salvation from the avilaonly that which finds us in the dis-charge of every duty. When our tith-ing is due, we should pay it, and not put it off to the end of the year. If demption from the effects of sin and the fall, in the life which is to come. This is a practical work, It is a work we use that which belongs to the Lord, when we come to settle our tithing it will not be on hand, and in all probability we shall find ourselves unable to pay an honest tithing. Those who have indulged in this practise ought to re-pent of it. We should pay our tithes ity that awakens a consciousness in our souls that God expects something of us, and that we are accountable to Him for the light which we have rewhen our substance comes to us. And we should pay in kind, and not subceived. We are indebted to the Lord, and not to man, for the light that we have, and for the situation that we occupy before the world in a religious sense. I claim that every favorable condition surrounding the Latter-day Saints and every blessing we enjoy, whether it be spiritual or temporal, is due to the Gospel and the great work God has established. Our situation in these mountains is not the result of the wisdom of man. A gentleman said to me the other day, as we were coming through Echo, "When stitute something that is inferior to that which we ought to pay. In an-cient times the Lord forbade this. I recall that the Lord actually pronounced a curse upon anyone who would offer as a sacrifice anything that had a blemish, or that was old and useless. It was designed that the offering should be clean and pure and without blemish, that it might symbolize in the best pos-sible manner the offering of the Son of God. The law of tithing is similar. God does not demand of us the very best, and yet He would not be displeased if we were disposed to offer the best; but He is not pleased when we select from our substance that which is the poorest and bring it into His store-You perhaps remember the law in ancient Israel regarding the selection of animals that were to be con-secrated as tithing. The Lord said that every one that passed under the rod should be holy to the Lord. As I undertstand this, they had what we would call a corral, and as the animals passed out one at the time, every tenth one was marked by a rod in the hands of the man who stood at the entrance, and that one was holy unto the Lord. He did not demand the best, nor did He he did not certain the borest; but he dealt fairly with the people. Yet He has dealt with us far more generously than He did with ancient Israel. When we think of how He has blessed us in this glorious land—how the people are extended from Canada on the north to Mexico on the south— Fifty-one stakes of Zion-and how we have increased and prospered, surely He has blessed us exceedingly.

view. And in this connection I want to say to the Latter-day Saints that understanding as we do that these truths have emanated from God, and have been presented to us in His revelations to the Prophet Joseph Smith, we ought not to be so blind as to go off after some kind of a side THE TRUTH AND ITS IMITATORS. I met a brother some time ago who was quite prominent in the community was quite prominent in the community where he lived, and he had organized a little socialistic party, which, I suppose, from a political standpoint, he had a right to do; but he told me that all the people ought to be socialists, for the reason that socialism, he said, is the United Order, and the more we can get to join the Socialist party the easier it will be to establish the United Order when the time comes. I had to ask him if he was so blind as to believe that after God has revealed the principles of the United Order, and the principles of the United Order, and the people are not prepared to carry them out, you can go to some institution of the world and find those principles and exemplify them for the benefit of manout, you can go to some institution of the world and find those principles and exemplify them for the benefit of mankind. I told him that no matter how hear the world come to the theories of the Gospel, no matter how much they try to establish them, without end, Humanity is too selfish to tarry out these great laws of God. The disposition of the world to accept some out end. Humanity is too selfish to carry out these great laws of God. The disposition of the world to accept some of the theories and doctrines of the Gospel as enunciated by the Prophet oseph Smith over 70 years ago, is designed by the adversary as a delusion more than anything else. I remember trying to show a preacher that these doctrines, some of which he claimed to cleve, had been advanced by the ophet Joseph Smith over 70 years by the wanted to deny it, but could be bring the proof to sustain his plai. He said that the principle of redemption of the dead was intilays of Joseph Smith. In this way they are trying to keep the people from the fountain of truth. In effect they say to the people: We have the law of lithing, we have the doctrine of the atonement of Christ, and we believe in infant salvation, and you need not foin the Lattor day. Salvate for those documents Latter-day Saints for these docthe Latter-day Saints for these doctrines. They are commencing to say that they have the doctrine of the redemption of the dead, and that the spirts are preached to in the spirit world, and it is not necessary to go to the Latter-day Saints to find out those things. By this means the commence of the commence of the saints are the saints. things. By this means they are seek-ing to keep the people in the dark and away from the authority of God where the ordinances of eternal life are to be found.

WORK OF DIVINE ORIGIN. the divine mission of the Prophet Jo-seph Smith, I say that no Latter-day Saint is justified in going after these spirts and following after these institutions in the world, whether they be of a shiritual or of a temporal nature. God has established His work, and within it is found every element that is essential for the salvation of the people towardless. libling. He has said that if we abide by that law this land shall be a land of Zion unto us, and by this law it shall be consecrated. This is the word of the Lord to the Latter-day Saints, and in connection with it He has promised that the seed of the righteous shall never be found begging for bread. Have we faith my brethren In house shall never be found begging for bread. Have we faith, my brethren and sieiers, to carry out the laws of God, that we may enjoy the bless-ings which come from obedience thereto? As has been stated, men of the world have discernment enough to see that there is some power in this work which they do not comprehend. One of our leading senators, who is now deceased, made the statement in California that the "Morrmon" Church was the only relisious institution on earth that contemplated the temporal salvation of its members. He stated that in the city of San Francisco were people reveiling in wealth, while side by side with them were others in the dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were people reveiling in wealth, while side by side with them were others in the dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the city of San Francisco were dregs of poverty; but the "Morrmon" the for bread. Have we faith, my brethren and sisters, to carry out the laws of God, that we may enjoy the blessings which come from obedience thereto? As has been stated, men of the world have disconnected.

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My brethren and sisters, it is our duty to keep these glorious principles in view. I do not know of any path of safety for the Latter-day Saints,

I know that the men who have succeeded him in the Church of Jesus Chris LITTLE TO SACRIFICE FOR GOS. a man of God, a man of righteousness and justice, a man of example in the Gospel that is worthy of our following I almost shudder sometimes when I hear men say they have made great sacrifices for the Gospel's sake. Have we made any sacrifice for the Gospel's sake? Is it a sacrifice for a man to lay the brethren and sisters, do not only sustain the presidency of the Church, but also sustain your Bishops, sustain aside his sins? Is it a sacrifice for a man who is addicted to tobacco, to lay it aside? or addicted to liquer, to reyour stake presidents, sustain your ward teachers, and sustain the hum-blest in the holy Priesthood whom God has appointed unto the work of the pent of that evil? or addicted to pro-fanity, to lay that aside and honor the name of Delty? or a violator of the Sabbath day, or guilty of any vice, to lay that aside and purify himself by obediministry. In the fourth chapter of Ephesians Paul names the purpose of apostles, prophets, etc. He said the were for the work of the ministry, for ence to the laws of God? Why, it is no more of a sacrifice to the immortal spirit of man than it is to wash our the perfecting of the Saints, and for the edifying of the body of Christ, til we all come to a unity of the faith. But he mentions another purpose—a very distinct purpose, and I thought, in bodies when they are unclean. Now, I have never been across the ocean, and I have never been across the ocean and
I have not personally witnessed the
temporal condition of the Saints of
God in Europe; but I have been in the
United States, and I have mingled with listening to the remarks of Elder Tay-lor, that it was a very important purpose among the Latter-day Saints. The purpose is, "that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning the Saints in various parts of the Union, and I have found scores and the principle of gathering now. They are gathering and colonizing. But it is the great work of God that has brought us here. Where in all these Stakes of Zion are the families that have no home of their own? What percentage of those living in rural districts direct ways to be seen their own homes. will not be led astray by the winds of doctrine that are going forth in the land. If you do not do this, you will doctrine that are going forth in the land. If you do not do this, you will be led away. We want men and women who accept the Gospel in its fulness; good, substantfal Latter-day Saints; not those who, like the world, make a hobby of one principle and neglect all others, but Latter-day Saints who, if they go on missions and are greatly blessed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, are willing on their return to be ward teachers, or Sunday school teachers. tricts do not possess their own homes, with teams and cows, and other resources of employment? How many are there in such a destitute condition as they were in the world? I will venture to say that there are very few indeed. And let me say further, if school teachers, or Deacons in the house of the Lord, and not expect to occupy all their time in standing before the people and preaching big sermons. Some of the best Latter-day Saints we have do not say much, but they do a great deal. The thing for me few indeed. And let me say further, if the Latter-day Saints were prepared to carry out the counsel of the servants of God there would be a still better condition among us than there is today, speaking from a temporal standpoint.

You heard what Brother Heber J. Grant said yesterday in regard to the effort that had to be made to establish and maintain one little sugar factory in the community. Men feared to invest for the benefit of the people, and the Lord came to the assistance of His servants. He inspired President Woodthey do a great deal. The thing for us to do is to go to work, and we need not talk about it either. When we pay our tithing, we need not sound a trumpet before us. When we pay our fast offerings we need not publish it in the papers. But do our dity, honor God and keep His commandments and In the papers. But do our duty, honor God and keep His commandments, and say nothing about it. The Lord will see us, and He will bless us. The Son of God pointed out the hypocrisy of the world in this direction, He said, "They love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of man. Verily I say unto you. They have that servants. He inspired President Wood-ruff to say that it was the will of the Lord that that should not be a failure. Nevertheless we had to send outside and borrow money of the Gentiles, in order to establish that industry; but they have been paid back, and the enand on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you. They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into they closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret, and they Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." Remember that, my brethren and sisters, and seek God in secret prayer. And when I say this to you, I say it to myself also. terprise is a great success. So I say we have not sacrificed very much temwe have not sacrificed very much temporally for the Gospel's sake. When it comes to religious matters, what kind of houses of worship had we in the world? It is only recently that we had any of our own at all. Down in the Southern States they used to burn them up almost as soon as they were built. I believe the last one they built was in Kentucky, and in order that it might not be burned down they insured it; but the mob took axes and cattle and tore it down, and pulled the logs apart with their oxen, in order to beat tore it down, and pulled the logs apart to be people, temporally and spirtually. The Lord has revealed unto us plan of temporal salvation. It has given us the law of that law this land shall be a land of the law this land shall be a land of the Lord to the Latter-day Saints, and be consecrated. This is the word of the Lord to the Latter-day Saints, and we are improving in this direction and the protection our people had placed upon it. No matter about that; as I was saying, our people had very few nice houses of worship to meet in before they gathered to Zion. What do we find here? In almost every ward we find a suitable place of worship, and we are improving in this direction and the protection our people had placed upon it. No matter about that; as I was saying, our people had placed upon it. No matter about that; as I was saying our people had placed upon it. No matter about that; as I was saying our people had very few nice houses of worship to meet in before they gathered to Zion. What do we find a suitable place of worship, and we are improving in this direction and the protection our people had placed upon it. No matter about that; as I was saying, our people had very few nice houses of worship to meet in before they gathered to Zion. What do we find here? In almost every ward we find a suitable place of worship. Before I close, I want to ask the Lat-ter-day Saints to sustain the religion classes of this Church. I say that we need them. There is no family in the Church so perfect in its family gov-ernment, no man and no weman has such unbounded influence over their families, but what these auxiliary insti-tutions will be of some benefit unto all the time. We have a most beautiful house in Pocatello—just as good as any in Salt Lake City, I believe. They are building another one at Wellsville. Then, we have not sacrificed anything in

vines, Solomon and Bishop Reuben Mil-ler used to say. It is the performance of the little duties that will establish us Saints Led to Utah by the Almighty- The Truth and Its Imitators-Work of Divine Origin-

Path of Duty the Path of Safety

-Little to Sacrifice for Gospel-

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ers, brothers and sisters, just as the

Son of God said to His disciples. One came unto him and said, "Behold, thy

and my brethren! For whosever shall do the will of My Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother." And have you not found it thus? What else can we say? Why this; that the man who forsakes his father and mother for the Gospel's sake has accepted something

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in the Gospel that will bring his father

and mother, fils sister and brother to him, and they will fulfill the words of the Prophet Obadiah that "saviors

CAUSE FOR GRATITUDE.

I might say more in this line if there

were time, but let me say to the Lat-

ter-day Saints that we ought not to

talk about sacrificing for the Gospel's sake. We ought not to

forget the obligations we are under to God for the great blessings

that He has bestowed upon us. We ought not to be unmindful of the fact that it is through the Gospel that all

these blessings have come unto us. Now, it does not matter what the world

do-whether they are friendly to us of

not-so far as the work of God is con-cerned. It matters to them materially,

however, whether they treat the work

of God properly or not. If they do not treat it right, if they persecute the peo-

the word of the Lord to the inhabitants of the earth. But whether they op-

pose it or not the work of God is onward

and upward, and the principles of the

Gospel are spreading abroad among the nations of the earth. I am happy to say that our Elders bring good reports,

as a rule. The more they put their trust in God and travel without money and without price, the better report

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they come back with in regard to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the power

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