

THE
ENSIGN.

LIGHT
OF ZION.

SHEPHERD
OF ISRAEL!

AND
"A BOOK OF
REMEMBRANCE."

MALACHI, III, 16.

"The wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand."

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A Proclamation, and Voice of Warning to the Inhabitants of the Earth, both Gentiles and Jews.

The word of the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, unto all the nations of the earth, through his Servant David, whom he hath called to bear his name, even that of the Father. Thus saith the Lord, unto the nations: hear ye, for behold I have set my hand the second time, that I may recover my people, even the remnant of Israel.--- Therefore, have I now set up the Ensign, to the nations, even all nations, both Gentiles and Jews even as it is written in the Prophecies. And now, therefore, will I deliver and restore my people of the House of Israel, according to the covenant which I made with their Fathers, and also as I spake by the Prophets. Wherefore in these latter days, I called my Servant Joseph, that through him, the Gospel of the Lamb of God, might be preached to the Gentiles, that as many as would repent and believe, might be numbered with the House of Joseph, to whom I gave this, the Land of America, as their everlasting inheritance, and therefore has Ephraim been called, for behold my servant Joseph, with whom was my covenant, was of the blood of Ephraim, and therefore, are his disciples called the children of Ephraim in the Prophecies, but behold my Servant Joseph, the Prophet, (even he who brought forth the Book of Mormon, for unto this work was he appointed, and also to lay the foundation of Zion,) erred in vision, and stumbled in Judgment, even as it is written in Isaiah, for he and his priests also, through wine and strong drink, erred from the way of righteousness, so that their words were not pure, and therefore, their Books are full of filthiness, notwithstanding my word was given unto them, line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little, and there a little, and thus, therefore, have they become the Crown of Pride, and the Drunkards of Ephraim; for they have fallen backward and are broken, and are snared and taken; and for these things, behold they have been trodden under the feet of their enemies, and if they repent not, and reform not before me, saith the Lord, I will cause that they shall soon be wasted from off the Earth; for they have become an abomination unto me, and are a stink in my nostrils all

the day long; and therefore as it is written, they shall perish, and leave their name, as a curse unto my chosen, even unto those upon whom my new name shall be called. Now, behold the Drunkards of Ephraim have changed the Ordinances, even of the Gospel, which I gave unto them, and they have also stumbled at the stone which I had laid in Zion even the Shepherd and Stone of Israel; and behold they essayed to set themselves up in his place, and therefore have they been cast down, to be trodden under foot as it is written: Therefore because of their unrighteousness have they become my adversary, even Satan saith the Lord, and notwithstanding their place, because of my work, was in Heaven, yet have they been cast down to the earth; and therefore I gave my servant Joseph into the hands of his enemies, that he was removed as the foolish Shepherd, and the unjust Steward, from before my face. And also shall his Shepherds, even they who with force and cruelty have ruled the flock, for they have become rich, in that they have robbed me by taking tithes from the poor; and they have oppressed the flock, and caused them to be scattered in the dark and cloudy day, so that they have become a prey, to many false Prophets, who have risen up to devour them, and behold they have not sought that which was lost, neither have they strengthened the diseased, or healed the sick. And behold they have trodden under foot the residue of their pastures, and have fouled with their feet the residue of the deep waters, even the light of the greater things, spoken of in the Book of Mormon, which I have caused to be brought forth unto them. Therefore for these things saith the Lord, inasmuch as they would not receive, but trampled underfoot my work of Judgment, I will feed them with it, yea, I will destroy the fat, and the strong, and therefore, as it is written in Ezekiel, I am against the Shepherds, and will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock, neither shall they feed themselves any more. For behold I, even I, will both search my Sheep, and seek them out as a Shepherd seeketh out, and gathereth his flock from all the places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day; yea, I will bring them out from the people, and from the countries abroad and bring them to their own land, and feed them

upon the Mountains of Israel, by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country; and thus for their shame, shall they possess double; for their fold shall be upon the high mountains, of the goodly land of Joseph, and in a fat pasture shall they feed; even in the fat vallies of Ephraim. Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey. And therefore, now shall the 34th chapter of Ezekiel be fulfilled; for behold I have called, and raised up my Servant David, even him who beareth my new name, that he may be their Shepherd, and gather and feed them. Therefore I have caused that the covenant of peace, even the new and everlasting covenant, which I should make with the House of Israel, when I would forgive their sins and remember them no more against them, is brought forth unto them, and behold, therefore, because my Servant Joseph became a stumbling block to the Gentiles, I now give unto them, even all who believe in my word as it is contained in the Bible, and Book of Mormon, inasmuch as they are humble before me, and desire out of a pure heart to know the truth, and walk in the light thereof yea to serve me in all things, according to the light which I give unto them, for behold, this is according to the covenant. Therefore, as it is written in Isaiah, behold I now give unto the Gentiles, that they may subscribe with their hands unto me, and surname themselves Israel, and thus shall they come in unto the covenant, and be numbered with the remnant of Israel, who are those of the House of Joseph, and also of the 10 tribes, who are the Children of Israel. And this that it may be fulfilled as spoken by Isaiah, in that there should be a Root of Jesse who should stand for an Ensign to the People, to whom the Gentiles might seek. Therefore as it is written, behold I have given my Servant David, as a witness, a leader, and a commander to the People; for behold with him is my covenant, yea, my sure mercies unto all who fear my holy name.— Therefore, as it is written, shall my servant not only raise up the tribes of Jacob, and restore the preserved of Israel, but he shall also be a light to the Gentiles, even my salvation to the end of the earth. Therefore, as it is written, I have preserved him, and given him for a covenant to the people, that the earth, even the new earth, for all things, shall be made new, may be established, and he shall cause.

to inherit the desolate heritages, and say to those in darkness show yourselves, and to the Prisoners go forth.— And now, behold, therefore, shall it be fulfilled, as spoken by Jeremiah the Prophet; for Ephraim after he is instructed shall become ashamed, and bemoan himself, and repent and turn to the Lord, from whom he has departed;— therefore I will now surely have mercy upon him, for as it is written, I do earnestly remember him, notwithstanding, I have spoken against him. Therefore, as I have said I will seek out and gather and feed my flock, and upon the high mountains shall their fold be. Wherefore let them now hear my voice, and inasmuch as they are backslidden and are as the Gentiles, let them attend to the Covenant, and come in with the Gentiles, otherwise it shall be unto them as to the unbelieving of the Gentiles, for they shall not have part in the first resurrection, yea they shall have their part in the second death. Wherefore let none mock at these things; for a destruction is decreed upon the face of the whole earth, and the rebellious of Ephraim shall not escape, for their judgment shall be greater than that of the Gentiles, for all shall be judged and rewarded, according to their works, and now, behold, their Shepherds, will turn a deaf ear, and mock at these things, that my judgments may come upon them to the uttermost, for they shall not have power, and notwithstanding they shall seek to hide themselves, yet shall my hand pluck them from thence; and as it is written in the 107th Psalm, I will pour contempt upon them, and they shall wander where there is no way; And also as it is written in Zech., they shall feed every one upon the flesh of another, and thus as it is written shall they be cut off, and perish, and leave their name as a curse to my chosen. And behold these things are at hand, and now therefore, that the flock may know, that I the Lord have spoken, will I give unto them a sign by which they shall know when these things shall be about to take place. And behold this is the sign that I will give unto them, that there shall be divisions among them, for there shall arise up those among them who shall seek for power, and strive to lead others away with them, and there shall begin to be hard feelings toward one another, and they shall begin to accuse each other, yea, it shall be among the chief leaders of the flock, for they are the Rams and the great He Goats

and thus shall confusion, and every evil work, come among them, for they shall seek to destroy each other, and they shall prey upon each other, yea, they shall not regard their covenants with each other, and thus shall they be wasted and broken up, and some shall wander to seek a place, where they may build themselves up, but they shall not prosper; for behold I am against them, and as it is written of them, even so shall it be fulfilled. And behold within four days, even years, and their strength shall be wasted away, that it shall be as water spilt upon the ground, which cannot be gathered up again. And thus will I prepare the way for my flock to come and inhabit the desolate heritages, even the remnant of Jacob, whom I the Lord shall call, and, behold, therefore, have I called and sent my servant and he hath called other servants, and now, therefore, will I the Lord of the Vineyard, go forth and labor with my servants, and prune my Vineyard with a mighty pruning, for it is the last time I shall prune my vineyard, and this that I may graft in the branches.— Wherefore, as Ephraim is numbered with the House of Joseph, my work shall begin among the Disciples of Joseph; that I may bind up the law and seal the testimony among them, even that which I gave them through my Servant Joseph, wherefore it is the last call and invitation unto them yea, it is the *Midnight Cry*, for behold the Bridegroom is at hand. Wherefore come ye into the Covenant, yea, even all who will hear and obey me, that my house may be filled; but if ye excuse yourselves, and do not attend to this my last invitation unto you, behold ye shall not taste of my supper, and ye shall knock in vain; when I shall stand in the Land of Zion, to give unto every one as their work shall be. And behold I have not given to any that they shall reign with me upon the Earth, except to those of my Covenant, even the remnant of Jacob. And therefore have I preserved the Children of Israel, even the ten tribes, that I may restore them again, according to the Covenant I made with their Fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and give unto them, and those who are numbered with them, even the House of Joseph, the Earth for their inheritance. Therefore, behold I have called them with a holy calling, and also have I called the Gentiles, that as Ephraim of the House of Joseph, they might be numbered

with the remnant of Israel ; but behold they have fallen, again even as at the first, therefore are they now numbered among the Gentiles ; therefore as I have said, whoso among the Gentiles will come in unto the Covenant, shall be numbered with the Children of Israel of the ten lost tribes, and they shall be one, and behold they shall soon meet in the Land of Zion, and rejoice with great joy ; for behold now are the ten Tribes discovered unto the Jews, and behold the Jews even those of Judah, are preparing to return to Jerusalem, and all things will soon be ready, for the coming forth of the Children of Israel, to the Land of Zion. And behold this shall be the sign of their coming, viz : the overthrow of the Shepherds of which I have spoken, and the gathering of the flock around their Shepherd in the fat vallies of Ephraim, and also when the Lord shall roar out of Zion, the Children of Ephraim, shall tremble in the *West*. Then shall they come, who were in the land of Assyria, even the ten tribes, and they shall come forth out of the North Countries, and behold they shall be led as the Children of Israel, were led out of Egypt. Wherefore the Lord, even the Ancient of Days, shall lead them in a cloud and there shall be a highway east up for them, therefore shall the mountains be removed, and the vallies be exalted before them. And thus cometh the Lord in the glory and power of the Father, to judge and reward his people, and take vengeance on his enemies. And terrible shall be that day unto the unrighteous, yea, the rebellious and the wicked, for they shall not able to stand. And as I have said, behold that day, even the time of the coming of the Lord, with his army, who are the clouds, and hosts of Heaven, for behold they are full of his power—is at hand, yea, even at the very doors, and it cometh as it is written, as a thief in the night, and this shall be the sign to all the world, as it is written, Behold the Lord shall roar, and the Earth shall quake greatly, and the sun shall be darkened, and darkness and awful gloom, shall overspread the Earth, but the Lord shall be the hope of his people, for as it is written, they shall walk after him, and in him shall be their trust, and they shall not be afraid. And behold also in that day shall all nations be in commotion, and there shall be wars in all the Earth, yea, even in the Land of Zion, for in that day shall they be divided in this land, and fall and none shall

help them, for behold, the Lord will set up his Kingdom, that as it is written, to Zion should come the first dominion and therefore have I the Lord, preserved the Ten Tribes of the House of Israel, that as a remnant I might call them, as mine army, with whom I should set up my Kingdom on the Earth in the last days as it is written in the prophetesies. And behold as it is written, they shall come even to this land, and in that day, shall the remnant of Joseph, even the Lamanites be brought to a knowledge of their Redeemer, and they shall have part in the first Resurrection. And the Ancient of Days shall sit in judgment upon the Nations, and they shall be separated, and the Jews shall return to Jerusalem, and the Gentiles shall assist them, for behold the Lord shall judge and make war, yea he shall go forth, and stir up jealousy among the Nations as a man of war, even as it is written ; and then shall come the Battle of the great day of God Almighty, for all nations shall be gathered against him, even the Beasts and the Kings of the Earth, and behold it shall be in the Land of Zion, and then shall the Lord rebuke the Nations, for their armies shall be destroyed by the power of his word, and thus as it is written, shall he with the breath of his lips slay the wicked, and then the Nations shall learn war no more, and they will all know him, and whoso in that day will not obey his voice, shall be cut off from among the people, and his Law shall go forth for all Nations from Zion, and then shall he command the Nations, and they shall make haste to assist the Jews, that they may return speedily to Jerusalem, and then shall the New Jerusalem, be built up unto the House of Joseph, and the Old Jerusalem shall be built up again unto the House of Israel, and the Ten Tribes shall also be placed in their inheritances, as it is written in Ezekiel, nevertheless they who have part in the first Resurrection, shall be set as Princes, and Governors, and Judges over the Nations ; and peace, and Righteousness shall prevail over all the Earth.

Now therefore, have I the Lord, caused this Proclamation of Peace to be written, and published, as a warning to all nations ; of the mighty things at hand, and that all who will among the Gentiles, may come in, unto the Covenant of peace, which for this purpose I have sent among them, nevertheless as God knoweth all things from the be-

ginning, he knoweth that few will receive it, and therefore is it written, that many are called, but few are chosen.— But that the scriptures may be fulfilled, and that none may have excuse, have I caused this to be published, even as I have said, and this that I may finish my work, and cut it short in Righteousness, for behold I will now make a short work on the Earth, for as I created the earth in six days and rested on the seventh even so will I create the New Earth, in six days or years and rest on the seventh, for the old Creation is a type or figure of the new in all things therefore as the seventh day bringeth the great rest promised unto those who overcome and are faithful unto the end, which rest is the fulness of my spirit, and which shall be given unto them, when the Ancient of Days shall sit; behold the end is at hand, yea even at the very doors as I have said. And behold the time, yea even the week, shall be reckoned from the beginning of the work of Father.— Therefore awake ye, awake ye and arise, that ye may go forth to meet the Bridegroom for behold he is nigh at hand. Even so, Amen.

KANESVILLE, October 13th, 1852.

The word of the Lord unto his servant Richard, and also for the benefit of the flock of God, of the New and Everlasting Covenant, which he hath brought forth by the hand of his Servant David.

Verily thus saith the Lord unto you my servant Richard behold I now call thee with a holy calling, that thou mayest be an instrument in my hand of doing a work, yea even a great and glorious work, which I the Lord appoint unto thee ; for behold now will I establish my Covenant with thee by sacrifice, that it may be fulfilled as spoken by Zechariah the Prophet, in that the Covenant of Peace should be established between them both. Therefore, behold the time hath come that there shall be a spiritual and also a temporal head or leader in mine House. And, behold the spiritual head represents the Father and the temporal head the Son. Therefore, behold the Father appointeth unto thee, that thou shalt be as the Son, to preside in the House, even over all the temporal things thereof, acting under the direction of him who because of his calling, presideth over all things both temporal and spiritual. Therefore I appoint unto thee to be the *Chief Steward* in mine House, and thou shalt be ordained under the hands of him who standeth as the Chief Head of the House, that thou mayest also ordain all others as Stewards, over that which the Lord shall place in their hands and this that there may be order in mine House, even in the household of the Lord.— And behold they shall be accountable unto thee, who because of thy calling, art their Bishop or Judge ; even as thou shalt be accountable unto him who standeth as the Shepherd and Judge of all. Wherefore thou shalt give and consecrate thyself and all thou hast unto the Lord, in a holy ordinance of Sacrifice before him, and as evidence of the same, thou shalt freely subscribe with thine hand unto the instrument of the Sacrifice, as thou hast to the Covenant, for behold it belongeth unto the Covenant, and then thou shalt place the evidence thereof even that which is in thine hands to give in the hand of him, whom I have called to bear my name, and he shall receive it for the Lord, and thus will I accept thee, and ordain thee as the first and Chief Steward, as I have said, and behold I will not only replace in thine hands all things, which thou wilt give un-

to me, but also, I will place in thine hands all things even the temporal things of mine house as I have said unto thee; and behold this ordinance of the sacrifice, shall in like manner, be attended to, by all both male and female, who shall subscribe to the Covenant of Peace, and thus shall they make a covenant with me by sacrifice, that they may be gathered unto me, even as it is written in the Psalms. Now therefore, when thou shalt have attended to what I the Lord have commanded thee, that order may be established in mine house, behold I will come forth, and take up mine abode in the same; that I may do mine own work, that the Parable may be fulfilled, concerning the Lord of the Vineyard, going forth with his servants, to labor in the Vineyard. And therefore, now shall the Light of Zion go forth abroad, that all may hear and understand that those who are worthy may gather around the Ensign, in the place where the Lord taketh his rest a little season, even until the branches who are the wild branches, are cut off with the pruning hook, which is the Work of Judgment: as the two edged sword, in the hand of the Father, that it may be fulfilled, as it is written in Isaiah: for behold the flock are languishing for food; and the evil beasts are devouring them, and making them waste. Therefore, that it may be fulfilled; as it is written in Ezekiel, that I will feed them, by the hand of my Servant David, and also as it is written in Malachi that unto those who fear my name should the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in his power or light, and also that it may be fulfilled as spoken by Isaiah saying; "Arise shine for thy light is come," have I the Lord appointed, that the Book of Remembrance, which is spoken of by Malachi, shall be written before me, and published for those who fear my name, even my new name, as it is written, and because it showeth that the prophecies are fulfilled concerning the setting up of the Ensign, and that this the Light of Zion, which is that of the Book of Life, which shall now be published as upon the house tops—shall be the means of enlightening the people, and gathering the scattered of the flock, even they who will hear the voice of the Shepherd to him, and because that it containeth as a sacred record like unto that of the Prophets and Apostles, the history and words of God, unto them, of the people for whom it is written, shall it be called "The Ensign,"

"Light of Zion," "Shepherd of Israel," and "Book of Remembrance." Therefore, it shall contain the Covenant of *Peace* and the instrument of *Sacrifice*, and also the names of all who subscribe their names to the same, and behold, it shall be prepared after pattern of the Golden Plates, which contain the Book of Life, because it represents the same. Wherefore it shall be published in three divisions, and the first division shall contain forty-two pages, of the size of the Address to the Saints, for it shall be connected with it, as the Record of the Work of the Father, first unto Ephraim, second unto all, both Jews and Gentiles; and the second division shall contain six pages, and the third division shall contain forty-eight pages; and behold, it shall be finished at the end of three years: wherefore, a division shall be published, once in each year until the last. Behold therefore, inasmuch as it beginneth and endeth with the work of the Father in the gathering of the remnant of Israel to the Shiloh, the last division, shall not be published, until that work is finished, that the record may be complete, for it shall be opened with other books before the Ancient of Days, and then whoso of the fallen of Ephraim, (and behold all are now reckoned as fallen, hath not their names recorded, so that they are written in the Book will as it is written have their part in the second death;—for they shall be left without the kingdom, even in outer darkness, and this for a thousand years; wherefore, they shall die as the wicked, and their punishment shall be great, for their torments shall be that of their own conscience, as a never consuming fire, even such as the living can scarce conceive; and therefore is it written, that those whose names are not found written in the Book of Life, was cast into a lake of fire, which is the second death. And behold also, as it is written, shall they of Ephraim, who delight in their abominations, even the murderers, and whoremongers, and liars, and idolaters, and sorcerers, and also the fearful and unbelieving, even those who are afraid of this, my last great work unto them, and those who seek to excuse themselves have their part in the second death. And behold, the Book is called the Book of Life, because it containeth the light of that, which is contained upon the Plates of the Book of Life, even as the Book of Mormon containeth the light of that which is upon the plates of the Book of Mor-

mon ; for behold the *light* of these two Books is published, and not the words : for the language is not understood.— Now therefore, whoso shall desire to have their names written in the Book, let them straightway, inasmuch as they are humble, and have faith, nothing doubting, subscribe their names to the "Covenant of Peace," and which because it is joined unto the holy Instrument of Sacrifice, is the same ; and behold inasmuch as they have little besides themselves, to give to the Lord, they shall be accepted, even as those who have abundance ; for the poor who are industrious and not idle and indolent, and who are worthy shall share of their abundance, that they also may be made comfortable, for behold according to the Covenant, all who subscribe to it, shall sustain each other, as themselves and that they may do this, have I caused the Instrument of the Sacrifice, to be prepared and joined to the Covenant, by the means of which all, who subscribe to the Covenant can become one in me ; and therefore I have appointed the stewardship that each may act as the Steward of the Lord in all righteousness and truth. And let those who are abroad straightway send in their names by mail or otherwise retaining a copy of the same, lest the first is lost by the way.

Therefore, let those who are worthy, inasmuch as they desire to sign the Covenant copy it from the "Book of Remembrance," and subscribe their names to it, and forward it to the Chief Steward, that their names may be written in the Book, and also let them prepare themselves without delay, and gather to the place of the Ensign, that they may be appointed Stewards, even as others, under the hand of the Chief Steward, in the Household of the Lord. And this that the Parable concerning the talents may be fulfilled : for verily whoso is not appointed a steward, that I may commit unto them, according to the order of mine House, the talents, that they may prove themselves, can have no part with me when I shall reign in my Tabernacle on the Earth. For verily as it is written, whoso doth not improve upon that committed unto them, it shall be taken from them and given unto him who hath been faithful in mine house, and he shall have abundance.

Now therefore let every one both male and female, learn their duty, and attend to it faithfully in all things, walking

before the Lord, according to the holy covenant, and great shall be their peace and blessings, and I the Lord give unto them a promise, that their enemies for my sake, shall not have power over them and also they shall have great temporal blessings for their comfort and peace, for they are not Gentiles, neither are they the disciples of Joseph, but of the Seed of Israel, according to the Covenant; wherefore they are of the remnant of Jacob and of the flock of Joseph, and this because of their Shepherd.

Now let my servant Richard, without delay, attend to the duties of his calling, inasmuch as he is able, and behold also he shall be instrumental, in convincing some of his former brethren, of the truth, as it is in the Lord, for behold they have light, which may prepare them for the *true* covenant, and work of the Father, but they are without *divine* authority before me, nevertheless, inasmuch as they have been humble and sincere in their faith, I the Lord will receive them, that they may be numbered with the House of Israel, even as they desire, but if they reject this invitation unto them, behold there remaineth nothing for them but darkness, confusion, division and destruction, for the truth shall now prevail, and as it is written, 'Judgment shall go forth to victory. Therefore let the mocker beware lest he mock at the Lord, and he cut him asunder, for behold a consumption is now decreed, upon the whole earth, and the rebellious and the wicked shall not escape. Therefore, let them now hear the voice of invitation and warning from him who was but is not now of them that they may come into the Covenant of Peace, and share his blessings, for the Lord hath blessed him, that because of his calling his name shall be had in honorable remembrance continually in his house, inasmuch as he is faithful in all things, and this until the day of my power when the Great Solemn Assembly shall sit, when the kingdom of God spoken of by Daniel the Prophet, shall be set up, and all shall be rewarded according to their works, Therefore behold those who are faithful over a few things, shall then as it is written, be made ruler over many things. Now behold I the Lord will reason with you, even as a man reasoneth with another, and this because ye have been sincere in your faith, but not all, for behold your Leader who is one hath more in his heart than he makes known unto his people, for doth he

not say, because my works are in the dark, for who seeth and who knoweth me, will I get me strength and a name? therefore, behold doth he not seek deep to hide his counsel from the wise, lest he should be discovered. Therefore behold saith the Lord, I will shew unto him, that I know all his works. And therefore is it written, woe unto them who seek deep to hide their counsel from the Lord, for behold I show unto his people, that he will now seek deep to establish his work, but behold he shall not prosper as I have said, and now therefore, he will be sore afraid because of this my work, and seek to put it down, but he shall not prevail, for as I live saith the Lord I have not spoken by him as he has declared, therefore they, his people, have not as I have said, divine authority before me, and they shall not prosper, for the honest in heart, who will serve me, I will gather out from among them, and therefore I said that the light which they have, may serve to prepare them for the true Covenant, and work of the Father, even as it has my servant Richard. Wherefore for his sake even in answer to his prayers, for he desires that the honest in heart among you may see the light which causes his heart to rejoice, and come and rejoice with him. Wherefore for this cause I have said that I would reason with you, and therefore I would refer you to the Proclamation, and the Address to the Saints, and this because they contain the evidence and the light of the work of the Father. And behold has "Baneemy" brought forth any thing like unto it? nevertheless it is true in that he saith that the work of the Father is different from any work of the Lord before it; and also that in it the new covenant cometh forth, according to the promise unto the Fathers, yea and other things also which he saith are true. But is it not darkness that the work of the Father cometh forth to prepare for the coming of the Father, who alone hath the keys of that work;— for is not the coming of Shiloh which name signifieth peace or salvation, the second coming of the Lord in the character of the Father? And behold is not this the Shepherd the Stone of Israel, of the House of Joseph? and therefore are they first gathered to him, that he may lead them like a flock, as it is written in the Psalms. Behold is not this the Ensign for the nations, to whom the people should gather? and who shall prepare the way before him? for is

not written, when I called there was *none* to answer, *none* to say even he is righteous, yea there was *none* even to *hear* and therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me, and my fury it upheld me. Therefore is it not contrary to the words of Isaiah, that any one should prepare the way as a messenger before the Shiloh, therefore ye behold that notwithstanding ye have light yet great and grievous darkness is among you, yea, even in the foundation of your faith and also ye behold yea even the chief ones among you, that ye cannot stand. For behold the light of Zion has come, and as it is written the Lord shall now arise upon Zion, and ere long his glory shall be seen upon her. For behold darkness, yea gross darkness now covers the people, therefore now come ye even all, into the Covenant of Peace and walk in the light thereof; and it shall be well with you; and think not to say in your hearts, behold the keys of the work of the Father are committed unto us, for we are the first in it. For verily I the Lord say unto you, that the keys of the restitution of all things, which is the work of the Father, even the power of the Restorer, were given unto him who beareth my new name, in the early time of the work of Joseph, yea even before the name Bancemy was given by him, and therefore it is written in Isaiah, behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a sure foundation, that I might lay Judgment to the line, and sweep away the refuge of lies even the Covenant which is according to death, and not life eternal, as it is in the work of the Father.

Now this I say unto you, because of those who are weak and ignorant of the truth as it is in me, that they may not be deceived. And now behold, inasmuch as I have caused the "Flying Roll," even that which is spoken of in Zechariah, to be sent unto your Leader, and also to others; and the address, also, behold it shall now be unto those among you who have the light and refuse to walk in the same, as unto the Drunkards of Ephraim for ye are also of the Disciples of Joseph, and numbered with them. Therefore now let him say no longer thus saith the Lord, to lead the flock, astray from the true Shepherd for as I have said, I have not spoken by him and therefore my holy name is blasphemed in that, that darkness is put for light and light for darkness, and because of this is it written, that the curse hath devoured the earth, and few men left. Therefore, let the

beasts of the field, even all those who essay to stand up as shepherds among the scattered flock in the cloudy and dark day; take warning and cease to prey upon my flock, for behold I have now raised up my servant David, who shall feed the flock, and behold he shall slay both the Lion and the Bear, and deliver the Lamb of my flock out of their mouth, and gather them even as it is written, and behold the Lion roareth in the West, and the Bear maketh his nest among the Islands. Therefore now let the flock take warning, and flee from all the beasts of the field, lest they are devoured by them, yea let them not give heed to them, lest they be ever so wisely; for behold they are not my shepherds, for they obey not my words, which I have caused to be given unto them, yea they have trodden them under their feet. Therefore as it is written in Ezekiel, "I will feed them with judgment," yea "I will destroy all the fat and the strong" who have pushed with their horns—even their power, the weak and the diseased; so that the flock have been scattered abroad. Therefore as it is written even so shall it be fulfilled in all things, and nothing shall fail of all I have spoken. Wherefore I will now as it is written take up the stumbling block out of the way of my people, that they may come and possess the land and inherit my holy mountain, for I will not contend for ever lest my people should become discouraged; and their soul should fail before me. Therefore will I show unto them as it is written in Isaiah, that I, whose name is holy that inhabiteth eternity, dwell with him also who is of a contrite and humble spirit, and this that I may revive the spirit of the humble and contrite ones, even those of him who went on frowardly in his own way, and for the iniquity of whose covetousness in my wrath I smote and hid me. Therefore now will I restore comforts, unto *his mourners*, and *heal* them that they may rest in quiet & peace. Therefore now will I come forth from my hiding place and lead them, even his mourners, inasmuch as they will hear, that the days of their mourning may be ended, and that they may rejoice upon the mountains. And now behold I show unto them even the disciples of him who was my servant Joseph, that in the stone which I had laid in Zion, was my hiding place and therefore both my servant Joseph, and his people with him have stumbled at the stone. and behold they are fallen

and because of their fall, have the beasts of the field arisen to devour the flock, for behold they seek not the peace and salvation of the flock, but their riches, that they may exalt themselves and build themselves up to get a name, and thus they clothe themselves with the wool, and feed upon the flock. Therefore is it written they feed themselves, and not the flock. Therefore I, even I the Lord will both seek and search out my flock, and feed them in a good pasture, upon the mountains of Israel, by the rivers, and therefore have I caused that the Light of Zion shall now go forth for the salvation of my People—Israel. And therefore, have I said that I might show what is meant by that written in Isaiah, that I dwell with him, even my servant David the true Shepherd, who because he is of a humble and contrite spirit, would seek the peace and salvation of those of his spirit, even the little ones of the flock; that it also may be fulfilled as spoken by Isaiah, that there should come forth a Rod, even the Branch from the root of Jesse, and that the spirit of the Lord should rest upon him, which should make him of quick understanding, in the fear of the Lord; therefore he should not judge after the evidence of his senses only as others, but as a *Seer*, even a *Prophet* of the Lord, he should judge in all righteousness and truth. And behold with him are the keys of the restitution of all things in Christ. Wherefore of necessity he is the Restorer; and because he should be called from among the wicked, is it written in Zechariah concerning the man whose name is the branch that he should be as a brand plucked out of the fire; and because of the great unbelief around him he should be ignorant of many things, which he should afterwards learn, is it written in Isaiah, "Who is blind but my servant, and deaf as my messenger that I sent, who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the Lord's servant, seeing many things but thou observest not, opening the ears but he heareth not," and because for a season he should not be known in his calling, is it written also in Isaiah, "in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me a polished shaft, in his quiver hath he hid me and said unto me thou art my servant O Israel, in whom I will be glorified," and because he should be refused by his people and his work despised by them, notwithstanding he should not be discouraged, is it written, "then I said I

have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nought and in vain, yet surely my judgment is with the Lord, and my work with my God." And because the Lord would bring him forth as the Restorer and light to the Gentiles, is it written in the following verses in Isaiah, that he should raise up and restore the tribes of Jacob, even the preserved of Israel, and be given for a light to the Gentiles that he might be my "salvation unto the end of the earth; yea even him who man despiseth, whom the people abhorreth, a servant of rulers" whom because the Lord had chosen him, Kings should see and arise, and therefore he should be preserved and given that the Covenant of Peace might be established, that he might cause the desolate heritages to be inherited, and say to the prisoners go forth, and to those in darkness show yourselves. And therefore, now behold, those who have been in prison, because of the oppressors of the flock, may now go forth, and those who have long been in darkness may now show themselves; that they with the preserved of Israel, even the ten tribes who shall soon be led from the North Countries, may be gathered upon the mountains of Israel, even in the Land of Zion. And now behold I the Lord will reason with all those who desire to know the truth, but who because of this my servant of whom I have spoken have stumbled and fallen, and know not how to arise, yet they cannot believe that Zion is cast off, therefore for their sakes, will I reason with them, for after the "Book of Remembrance," is finished I shall speak unto them no more. For behold in this my last work, unto the Gentiles, is the words of John the Revelator fulfilled: therefore let all hear and understand for behold now is the little Book open, and because it containeth the light of Zion, even that of the seven dispensations, is it the voice of the seven thunders; therefore shall it be even as it is written; for as I live saith the Lord, even the Father who created all things; there shall be time for the Gentiles no longer, than until the day of my power, when the last even the seventh Angel shall sound, for then shall the mystery of my work, that salvation may come to my chosen, be finished, as it is written in the propheties. Therefore as there is now but little time for them to hear, I will show unto them that my servant David has been called as the Restorer. that the propheties may be fulfilled, and there-

fore all things in Christ from the beginning must be restored through him. Therefore inasmuch as the persons and dispensations of the Apostles, and Prophets, and Patriarchs, cannot be again established on the earth as they were at the first, it meaneth that the authority and pattern or order of the dispensations of my work in the former times should be restored. And therefore has my servant at different times, called others by my power, but because they were weak, they did not stand: which has caused many to say, he buildeth up, but the Lord is not with him for behold his works come to nought, and therefore because of these things have the keys or power of all the previous dispensations, (and behold this last is the fulness of all,) been given unto him, even as I have said, and thus cometh the Restorer, and Deliverer of the House of Israel. Therefore now hath the Covenant of Peace, of which the Rainbow upon the head of the Angel is a symbol, been brought forth, that all Israel may be saved, even as it is written.—Therefore, behold after the flock are gathered upon the mountains, shall the great day of my power commence when as it is written in Esdras, (for behold he wrote concerning these things in the last days,) I will call mine army even those of the Ten tribes from the North Countries, and behold as it is written, they shall come with speed swiftly to my holy mountain, Jerusalem, even the New Jerusalem, that I may finish my work, among the remnant of Jacob, even to bring in the Lamanites, and prepare all the remnant of Israel, that I may set up my Kingdom among them, and give unto all those who are worthy, the crown of eternal glory, that they may reign with me on the earth, and behold the hour draweth near.

Therefore I would that ye should read the prophecies for behold they are full concerning this my last great work in the last days; for behold, all the prophecies, which speak of the flock, and also the Shepherd, yea and the leaders of Ephraim, as also the Book of Remembrance, and which answers to that in the hand of the angel who was to stand upon the sea and the earth, and which is the same as that spoken of by Daniel, yea I say unto you, that all these things must be fulfilled before the seventh angel shall sound, for then as it is written shall the whole earth become my kingdom even the inheritance of my chosen.

And now behold as I have said the time draws near when the Ten tribes shall come to Zion, and behold they like the Lamanites, as the wild branches of the olive tree, have also become a fallen people, and behold they are not fair and learned like unto the Gentiles, but of a *dark* and *fierce* countenance, and therefore the Gentiles will be sore afraid, and seek to flee from them. Now behold these are called the Destroyer of the Gentiles; and the Lion from his thicket. And that they, and also the Lamanites, and also they who are upon the Isles of the Sea, (who shall wait for my law) may become a fair and delightsome people in their time, have I called the Gentiles, that they may become one with them. And therefore, shall they become their teachers and take them in their arms, and make them in all things even as themselves. Thus through the fulness of the Gentiles will I redeem and bless my people Israel, even as it is written. Amen.

Revelation Concerning the Stewardship.

KANESVILLE, October 20th, 1852.

Now behold, saith the Lord, inasmuch as the Stewardship of mine house is established, as I have commanded, that my servants may be tried and proved for their sakes, it behooveth me to show unto them, that this is my last work before I bring forth again the body or church of Joseph, as the spiritual kingdom, that I may set up my temporal kingdom on the earth; for behold this is the seventh order of my work as brought forth by the Restorer, wherefore it is the fulness of all the seven, and answereth to the golden footstool of the throne, that Solomon built, which throne and all connected with it, represents my work from the beginning to the end of the world; even when my kingdom shall be set upon the earth. For behold, the six steps and the footstool thereof, answereth to the power of the seven dispensations, or authorities of my work on the earth, and behold they have now all been brought forth through the Restorer as I have said, and therefore have I said that the keys of power of all the seven even that of the fulness of times, had been given unto him. Therefore as this is the last work or step to the throne, which throne re-

presents the kingdom, behold the parable of the Stewardship shall now be fulfilled. Wherefore the power of the two stewardships, as the two servants in the parable of the three servants and talents, shall abide; for behold my two sons, even the two witnesses, (of whom Joshua the High-priest, and Zerubabel, the Governor of Judah were typical,) shall stand in the kingdom, even as Joshua and Caleb stood in the promised land of Canaan, which was typical of the kingdom. Therefore let every one in the Stewardship learn and attend to their duty in all things as I have said, that they may stand approved and not be as the servant who hid his talent in the earth, lest like him, they are cast into outer darkness, where there is wailing and gnashing of teeth, for verily as it is written even so shall it be fulfilled. Therefore let none seek to withdraw from the Covenant, for behold whoso shall do so, shall come under condemnation, and be chastened even as I will, for I the Lord am not to be mocked; for behold in my work is my law, and therefore there is a reward and a punishment also. Therefore whoso shall transgress shall be punished even as I will, and if they turn from me, it shall be done unto them even as it is written, concerning the one who hid his Lord's talent. Therefore let all beware of temptation, and take warning lest they fall. Now, behold this order of the Stewardship is given, that all may become my Stewards, (yea, both male and female,) over their own for behold that which they have is not taken away from them; but this is that they, even all the flock may come into order and prepare to come forth as the spiritual kingdom even as the Church of Joseph, which shall now be brought forth, for behold this is my work of the last and mighty pruning of the vineyard, and the grafting in the branches; therefore now will I go forth and nourish the trees for the last time, that I may graft in the branches, even as it is written. Now behold saith the Lord, I have given unto those of my household, the order and light of the Stewardship, that they may know what shall be the order of my kingdom, and how to prepare for it, for verily whoso of the Stewardship, cannot abide its order cannot abide the order of the kingdom. Wherefore the Stewardship is given that those who believe in the work of the Father and desire to come into the Covenant, may prove themselves

worthy of the kingdom by coming into the holy order of the Stewardship, through the ordinance of sacrifice, and abiding in the same unto the end; for behold this is the refiners fire, by which all shall now be purified; and therefore is it written, that the *Messenger of the Covenant*, shall sit as a refiners fire; for as it is written whoso shall now think more of father, or mother, or wife, or husband, or children, or riches, than me is not worthy of me or a place in my kingdom, but whoso shall forsake all for my sake, yea for my kingdom shall have Eternal Life, yea they shall be as they, through whom the work of the Father is brought forth, even those who were never to taste of death, as it is written in the Book of Mormon. Therefore now let those who have, impart to those who are worthy even those of the poor and industrious in the Covenant, who have not, for verily as it is written, those who feed the hungry, and clothe the naked, and shew kindness unto those of mine for my sake, shall not lose their reward. Yea, let him be remembered, through whom this my word cometh forth unto all, for he hath been faithful before me in my work, and hath sacrificed all for the sake of the same.— Therefore will I sustain him, even as I have promised unto him, for verily as it is written the laborer is worthy of his reward; and whoso of the Covenant shall forget him for behold the burden of the work for the redemption of Zion, is laid upon his shoulder. Therefore, whoso shall neglect him in their *temporal* things or give grudgingly it shall be remembered of them, when I shall stand to give judgment unto my chosen, for behold as it is written, according to their measure shall it be measured to them again. But whoso shall open their hand and remember him in their *free will* offerings, yea, and also the worthy poor who are with them, and prove faithful in all things unto the end, as it is written shall be made ruler over many things, yea, they shall inherit the Kingdom of God, as it is written. Now behold saith the Lord inasmuch as the promise of deliverance is only unto those who have made a Covenant with me by Sacrifice; as it is written in the Psalms, let all who are looking for the redemption of Zion, and the Kingdom, now make haste, that they may be grafted into the *natural* olive tree, even to become one in the Stewardship, and thus prepare to come forth in their place in the Church of

Joseph, which as I have said is now coming forth, again even as at the first. Wherefore, behold the redemption of Zion is not preaching and administering the ordinances of the Gospel of the Lamb of God, for behold Zion hath been thus brought forth. Wherefore she shall now be redeemed from Babylon, yea from her bondage even as I spake by the mouth of Joseph. Therefore behold he now cometh forth who is mighty and strong, holding the sceptre of power, even that of the two-edged sword, the rod of iron by which the nations shall be broken in peices, that he may, set in order the house of God, even to make crooked things straight and rough places smooth. Therefore shall he set in order the things that are wanting, and thoroughly purify the house, for behold the first according to his words hath fallen. Therefore as it is written by him, those whose names are not found written in the "Book of Remembrance," shall be cut asunder! Therefore let all those who believe his words, yea, even my words, for I spake by him, now make haste that their names may be written in the book, even in the third division thereof, which shall contain the names of those who are chosen through the Covenant by Sacrifice and none other. Therefore, inasmuch as they shall attend to this my word unto them, they shall be remembered; and inasmuch as they desire counsel in faith and righteousness their desire shall be attended to. And now behold, those who do not magnify their office before me, shall not stand in the same, for whosoever is not diligent in his calling before me, hath not faith, neither my spirit, and behold such hindereth my work, and are not profitable unto me, therefore will I appoint another in his stead, who shall do my will. And therefore it is wisdom in me, that the spiritual head of the Stewardship and of the Church even the first, shall bear the burden of all things, in my work both temporal and spiritual, for behold his calling maketh him the *Chief Steward* of the house, that he may appoint others Stewards over that which they have, even as I have said. Therefore that he may not be unnecessarily burthened, let all communications to him be *post paid*. Now, behold saith the Lord, let all hear and understand, that I have ordained that this the first division of the "Book of Remembrance," shall go forth as the light and warning, to the people, of the great things at hand, and therefore it goeth forth *with-*

out price, as a messenger of the Lord to the Nations. Wherefore it is called the "Ensign," and also the "Light of Zion" and as it containeth instructions to the scattered of the flock how and where to gather to the Shepherd, and also to the fold; it is called the "Shepherd of Israel." Now, behold Kanesville is the place of the gathering to the Ensign a little season, but the fold is in the valley of the mountains.— Therefore behold it is not necessary, that they should leave the place of the fold; for I the Lord will protect them there also; for behold it is only the proud and rebellious who shall be overthrown. Therefore let those who trust in me tarry there until the Shepherd shall come, except I the Lord shall call them for mine own purpose, for yet a very little while, even after two days, and the Lord as it is written in Hosea, shall revive those of Ephraim, whom he hath smitten and torn (through this his rebuke unto them,) and the third day he will raise them up and they shall live in his sight, and then shall the Shepherd feed the flock by the rivers, and they shall dwell in peace even as it is written.— Therefore now shall the refuge of lies be swept away, and the secret things, yea the works of darkness shall be uncovered, and brought to the light, for behold as it is written, the Lord God worketh not in secret, neither are his works, works of darkness. Therefore, behold those who seek a name and to build themselves up among my people, even those who seek deep to hide their counsel from those who trust in me, (even the wise,) and who say, "thus saith the Lord," when the Lord has not spoken by them, and who bring forth ancient books and records, and pretend to translate them, for say they, who seeth us (for behold none now hath the gift of translation,) yea; there is none that knoweth our works, therefore none shall stand against us, and thus they compare their works of darkness, with the the prophecies, and also with the Revelations given to Joseph, and therefore they pretend to have holy books among them yea, even the Book of Remembrance, and they name themselves also from that contained in my word and thus they work in darkness, and deceive my people, that they are led astray. Therefore wo unto them saith the Lord for I am against them; and as I live, they shall speedily, come to nought and their followers shall be ashamed.— Therefore shall the true Banecopy, even he who cometh

with the Baurak Ale, soon be known in his place. For behold are they not the two sons spoken of in Isaiah, and also in the Book of Mormon, who should come to comfort and deliver Zion. Wherefore see ye to it, who taketh upon him the name of my servant, for how shall ye stand before him who cometh in my name. Behold are not these two as Moses and Aaron? and is not the *strength* of the Lord's house the *remnant of Jacob*, even of those of the *ten tribes*, and of the *Lamanites*? And have I not chosen him saith the Lord who shall lead mine army, even as the Captain of the Lords host? Therefore as my servant Joseph hath said, the redemption of Zion shall be by power. And therefore, I said unto him "I will raise up unto my people a *man* who shall lead them as Moses led the Children of Israel," and behold was not power given unto Moses in a *rod*? and therefore is it written, that he whom the woman bringeth forth, shall rule the nations with a *rod of iron*, yea, and because he is like unto Moses, in that power is given him in a *rod*; one also after the similitude of Aaron shall be with him. And behold he is called after the similitude of Saul, the first King of Israel, wherefore the Lord by the Prophet taketh him from among the people; therefore behold they will receive him, even as the House of Israel received their King; for behold those of the Covenant are the "House of Israel," even the Natural olive tree, and therefore, because he should be raised up among the Gentiles, who are learned, yea refined and polished, is it written who is this that cometh out of the *Wilderness*, like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with *all* powders of the merchant. And because Solomon was a type of him, and that he should arise in a time of trouble, is it written "Behold his bed which is *Solomons three-score valiant men* are about it of the *valiant of Israel*, they all hold *swords* being expert in *war*; every man hath his *sword* upon his *thigh*, because of *fear* in the *night*." And behold because of his calling in the similitude of the Son and that his people should all know and follow him, is it written in Esdras, that among the people of Zion, a young man taller than the rest, set crowns upon the heads of his people, and behold this shall be when the Judgment shall sit, and God shall crown his people, and give unto them the Earth, under the whole heaven for their inheritance, even as it is written.—

Now behold saith the Lord, I have given this light concerning those two spoken of in the Revelation of Joseph, and also in the Prophecies, because that some not understanding these things have been deceived, and are led a-stay from the truth as it is in me. Therefore let all such now return unto me and I will receive them, and they shall be numbered with the remnant of Jacob; yea, and also, those who have been called, but because of weakness, as I have said did not stand: Wherefore, behold as the time of *Jubilee* has come! all are released from their obligations unto me, because of former Covenants, and I will restore unto them, that which hath been taken from them, and they shall again have joy in me, and enter into my rest, even as it is written, in all things. For behold my work in the *last days* is—yea, even all—that the *prophecies* may be fulfilled, Therefore shall nothing fail of all which I have spoken, for unto this end, are my two servants, called—yea even the First, and the Last.

Now behold saith the Lord, if any shall seek to do otherwise, than according to the Light which is contained in this Book, behold they shall fall into a snare, and a trap,—Therefore have I said, listen not to them charm, they never so wisely. And therefore, whoso that shall receive this Book, or read it, in the spirit of meekness, desiring to understand, cannot but have light. Therefore if they heed it not, it shall be unto them, as the fire of my wrath, yea it is as the "everlasting burnings," spoken of by Isaiah, with which none can dwell, except he has clean hands, and a pure heart, yea to all others shall it prove a spirit of burning, that shall consume the *wicked* saith the Lord. Therefore let all deceivers take warning, for I the Lord have arisen to shake terribly the earth, even as it is written by the Prophet. Therefore now will I smite the wicked even the rebellious and blasphemers, and liars, and thieves, and whoremongers, and also the sorcerers, even those who seek to familiar spirits, who know me not, and therefore are they the spirits of devils as spoken of by John the Revelator, therefore, as it is written, "blessed is he that watcheth and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked and his shame is seen," for behold some have not watched, and therefore shall their shame be seen; and behold those who rise up to lead away the scattered of the flock, are led by deceiving

spirits, and therefore they show unto them marvelous things, which causes the people to wonder, yea, and their marvelous works will increase, even until the Kings of the earth will be deceived by them, that they will gather against the Lord and his people in the Land of Zion, and thus will they be gathered to the Battle of the great day of God Almighty, as it is written. Therefore let all understand, that inasmuch as a spirit shall come in my name, and deny my work, which cometh according to the propheties, behold it is not of me, for behold when I the Lord commence a work, inasmuch as man is in mine image, I choose one that I may inspire him therefore I send to *him* mine holy angel even as to Moses, and Joseph, and give unto him power to build up, and to pull down, even as to Jeremiah the Prophet, and thus is that man an instrument in mine own hand, and wo to him therefore who shall resist him! and behold in these last days, those whom I send, come to restore, even as Joseph, and David, and therefore are they spoken of in the propheties, and also their work and excepting him whom I have chosen as my *signet*, of whom as I have said Zerubabel the Governour of Judah, was a type, and therefore he shall be the Governour even the *temporal* head of the people, as the branch even David who was represented, by Joshua the high priest, is the spiritual head of the people. Therefore as I have said, excepting those three, none others are spoken of in the propheties, to lead my people in the last days. Therefore, behold all others who arise to lead my people, are deceivers, and behold if they repent not, and come unto me, that they may enter in by the gate, even the proper authority, behold in mine own time I will smite and destroy them from the face of the earth, for why shall they destroy my people, even the honest in heart; who trust in me, for now will I slay the beasts of the field and deliver my flock out of their mouth that they shall be meat for them no longer. Therefore if any shall say thus saith the Lord, to deceive the people behold I the Lord will require it of him, and behold I will lay mine hand in judgment, yea, in the fire of my wrath upon him, and verily he and also those whom he has deceived, shall know that I the Lord have spoken even as in times of old; by the Prophets. Therefore as it is written in Isaiah, saith the Lord, "for Zion's sake I will not rest until her Light shall

go forth as a lamp that burneth, and the Gentiles shall see her righteousness, and all Kings her glory; and behold she shall be called by a *new* name which the mouth of the Lord shall name. Therefore shall they be called the *holy* people, a *city* not forsaken. Now behold as many say of my servant that he has been cut off, that he is a *dry* branch I the Lord will answer them in this thing, and ask them for the transgression of what law was he cut off? Therefore if he was not cut off for transgression, is he a dry branch as they say, wherefore let them look well to this matter, for I the Lord am a just God; and therefore who shall accuse and condemn the innocent before me. Therefore behold I will remember those who have sought to destroy my servant for my sake, yea; those who have uttered falsehood, against him, that his name might be cast out as evil, yea, and also those, who have robbed him, and fled for refuge into the place of the fold of the flock. Therefore let them repent speedily, lest I come out in judgment against them and cut them off from before my face, for why should they cumber the ground, of my vineyard. And now behold that all may know the place of the New Jerusalem, and that the throne of the Ancient of Days, shall be there, and where the Ten Tribes shall come, and also where the Lamanites shall be gathered, and also that the foundations of the city should be laid, by those of the saints who have wandered in the Wilderness, let them search the prophecies. For behold the City of Zion, according to the 48th Psalm; 2 verse, is on the sides of the north even in the north west part of the Land of Zion, even America, and built on or among the mountains, see the first verse, also Isaiah 2-2, and Micah 4-1, also in a low place or valley, Isaiah 32-19, and in the fields of the woods, Psalms, 122-6. And behold in this city, the Ancient of Days, shall sit, and where the tribes of the Lord, even the Ten Tribes, shall go up, and where judgment shall be given to the Saints. Psalms 122, 2—5th verses, also Daniel 7, 9, and Revelations 20, 4 and also Rev. 4, 4. Now behold the foundations of this city were to be laid by a people called the redeemed of the Lord, and gathered from the four winds, even from the nations of the Earth, who should wander in great distress in the wilderness, and cry unto the Lord, when he would lead them forth to the place where they should build a city, for

their habitation, and where for a season, they would be greatly blest in their *fields* and their *herds*, when they should again be diminished and brought low, for the Lord would pour *contempt* on their *princes*, even their leaders, and they should again wander where there is no way, but behold the poor would be set on high from affliction, and sorrow, for the Lord would gather him families as a flock, who should rejoice; for all iniquity should stop her mouth. Now behold this is written in the 107th Psalm.

PREFACE and COVENANT, for those who fear the Lord and speak often one to another, as spoken of in Malachi 3d, 16th.

Whereas it is according to the Prophesies that because of the death of Joseph Smith, the Prophet, called of God, to translate the "Book of Mormon," and to lay the foundation of Zion, in these latter days, that those of his disciples or people and also all others, who feared the Lord, and thought upon his name, might speak often to each other; and which requires them to come together, and whereas it is also said in Malachi that a "Book of Remembrance," even that of which the Lord spoke by the mouth of his Servant Joseph, was to be written before the Lord, for them or on their account, and whereas a sacred record, written under the direction of the Lord, is to be understood by the above mentioned Book, and which therefore, as God revealeth his secret, or work, and worketh by his servants the Prophets, he must appoint to be written through a Prophet. And whereas a people recognised of God, always stand in a Holy Covenant before him. Therefore that the prophesies may be fulfilled, which speak of a new Covenant, the law of which, should be written upon the heart, meaning the light of the Lord in the mind, that such may be prepared to know the Lord from the greatest to the least; and also the prophesy which saith, that they shall subscribe, with their hand unto the Lord, and surname themselves Israel, and which supposes that each subscribes with their own hand, to a written Covenant or solemn promise before the Lord, to serve him faithfully in all things, according to the light they have received from him, do we understandingly, and in the fear of his Holy

name ; of our own free will, and accord, sign our names to the following Holy Covenant.

WE whose names are hereunto annexed, being Believers in the "Book of Mormon," as the stick of Joseph in the hand of Ephraim, as well as Believers in the Bible as the stick of Judah, and looking for the salvation of Zion, according to the Prophecies, that we may avail ourselves of the promise of the Lord, to those who fear Him, as spoken by the Prophet Malachi, do we most solemnly promise and covenant with each other, and with the Most High, the God of Israel that we will serve Him faithfully, in all things according to the light He gives unto us, and as He requires his people to love one another, as themselves ; so we sincerely, out of a pure heart, agree to sustain each other as ourselves, in all righteousness and truth. And therefore to carry out perfectly the principles contained in this Holy Covenant, and to become one in the Lord, in the order of the Stewardship, do we subscribe with our own hand to this Covenant, and Instrument of Sacrifice. Therefore let the God of Israel, and all the Holy Angels, and these present witness, that I hereby give myself, and all I possess as a sacrifice unto the Lord forever. And as evidence of the same, I now subscribe with my own hand, to this Holy Instrument of Covenant and Sacrifice, and hereby place myself and all things I possess, under the direction of the Lord, in the Holy Order of the Stewardship, and this that I may be prepared for the great Solemn Assembly, when the Ancient of Days shall sit, and the Kingdom of God is set up on the Earth. Amen.

KANESVILLE, IOWA, NOV. 21, 1852.

Revelation and Word of the Lord concerning the order and the authority of his Kingdom on the Earth.

Behold saith the Lord, inasmuch as all things are ready for the bringing forth the order, and authority of my kingdom : that as it is written I may bring again Zion, behold I now appoint the first branch of the authority thereof ; even that which answereth to the first Quorum, who are the three that stand as the first in the body or church of Joseph. Therefore behold I will now graft into the olive tree the first branch, and also in their times the second, and the

third yea even all. For behold the first yea and also the last branches have become wild, that they bear not the natural fruit, as in the beginning. Therefore will I now cut off with the pruning hook; (even by the authority of him who cometh with the rod of iron,) the first branch, that it may be fulfilled as spoken by Zechariah, concerning the *three shepherds*. Now therefore shall be fulfilled, that which is written in Isaiah, and also in the Book of Mormon, concerning the redemption of Zion. For behold now shall her two sons come forth and take her by the hand, and comfort her as it is written. For "there is none to guide her among all the sons she hath brought forth," for they have "fained (save these two) they lie at the head of all the streets, as a *wild bull* in a *net* they are full of the fury of the Lord, the rebuke of thy God." but behold as it is written, "these two sons are come unto thee, who shall be sorry for thee, for thy desolation, and destruction, and the famine and the sword," even so shall it be fulfilled. Therefore behold the Messenger of the Covenant, even Elijah cometh, and also Elisha, and thus will I again restore the power which I gave unto my servant Joseph; and thus shall arise the *two Witnesses*, who because of the death of those who should be killed as those under the altar, (as it is written by John the Revelator,) should be slain, therefore behold as the time is fulfilled, shall they stand on their feet! and because of the work of the Lord in the overthrow of the Shepherds, and the coming of the Ten Tribes, shall great fear fall on all, for they shall see, that my wisdom is greater than the cunning of Satan, even as it is written in the Book of Mormon for notwithstanding they have *marred* my servant, yet I will heal him, in that I will again bring forth the power which was in him, even that which I gave unto him, that he might lay the foundation of Zion. Therefore behold he, even the Governor of my people shall stand at my right hand, for have I not made him strong for myself saith the Lord. Therefore for his sake as it is written, the Lord shall strike through Kings in the day of his wrath. Therefore behold I have blessed him evermore, and because of righteousness and truth, shall his enemies for my sake fall under him, for behold the purpose of the Lord shall prosper in his hand, and none shall hinder him, for behold whoso shall rise up against him shall

he condemn, yea blessed shall be those who bless him, and cursed shall be those who curse him, for behold saith the Lord, I have chosen him as Cyrus, even when he knew it not, that I might overthrow the power of Babylon, and deliver my people from the bondage thereof. Therefore now shall be fulfilled that which the prophet spake unto Zerubbabel, Governor of Judah, for behold I have chosen him of whom he was a type, as my signet saith the Lord. Therefore will I overthrow the throne of Kingdoms, even as it is written. Now therefore that the wise may understand my purpose, behold I appoint my servant, even him of whom I have spoken.

KANESVILLE, IOWA, Nov, 27th, 1852.

The Word of the Lord Concerning the King of Israel.

Verily saith the Lord unto him whom he has called that he might spread forth the Light of Zion, and be a mighty one among his people. I have not cast thee off, nevertheless for mine own purpose, when thou refusest me, I appointed another, that all things might be prepared before thee, yet thou knewest it not. And because thou didst not understand, was thy heart troubled; and now therefore will I again speak unto thee, when thou wilt not turn away from me. For verily I have now prepared thy way, that I may bring thee forth; for have I not chosen thee saith the Lord, to be the *Captain*, yea the *Leader* of my people, after the similitude of Zerubbabel the Governor of Judah.— Wherefore now shall that be fulfilled which was spoken by Jeremiah the Prophet, for behold I will set thee over my people, even as Zerubbabel; for have I not chosen thee as my *signet*, saith the Lord. Now therefore, O son of man whom I the Lord have appointed to make strong for myself! open thine ear, and hear my words! for have not I called thee also, after the similitude of Saul, even through a prophet, to be the *first* King of Israel, yea and also as Elisha upon whom fell the mantle of Elijah. For behold after the work of Elijah even in the restoration of all things that the reign of God may be established over all the earth is finished, he will depart, that the power even the spirit of the Father may rest upon the King and also upon all **flesh, even as it is written.** And then behold shall be ful-

filled that which is written in the Psalms, concerning the King's son, for he shall become very great and glorious, and have dominion from sea to sea, even to the ends of the earth. Now behold saith the Lord I have called thee that the prophecies may be fulfilled; for behold is not the King of Israel also spoken of by the Prophets. Behold is not this he who should come out of the *Wilderness*, like pillars of smoke, perfumed with frankincense and myrrh, and *all powders* of the *merchant*, because he should be a *polished one* who should arise in the *Wilderness*, even in the time of the Gentiles. And because he should arise after the similitude of *Solomon*, and in a time of trouble, is it written, "behold his bed which is *Solomon's*, three score valiant men are about it, of the valiant of Israel, they *all* hold swords, being expert in *war* every man hath his *sword* upon his *thigh* because of *fear* in the *night*:" nevertheless saith the Lord, fear thou not! for I am with thee, and thine enemies who are my enemies, shall not have power over thee. Therefore be *wise* even as *Solomon*, and make straight paths for thy feet, and no power shall harm thee; for have I not appointed, and named thee, (even as *Cyrus* when thou knewest it not,) that thou mightest overthrow the power of *Babylon*. For behold my people have become as the *woman* sitting in the midst of the *Ephah*, even as *Babylon*, because they have set up themselves in their *own* strength; and now therefore, behold the time has come, that *Babylon* shall fall to rise no more, even as it is written. Therefore behold I have put into thy heart, and opened thy way before thee, in that thou standest among the great ones of the earth, that thou mayest be the *temporal* head, even the Governor of my people in the place of him who dishonoreth my name continually and causeth my people to wander from me, and thus will I overthrow his power. And thus shall the first branch whose fruit is most bitter be pruned off; and the natural branch be grafted into its place. For behold is it not written concerning the *olive tree*, that as the grafts should begin to grow, the servants (who were *few*) should clear away the *wild* branches, (even the *bad*,) to make room for the *natural* branches, even the *grafts* that they might grow; and this according to the *strength* of the *good* and the *size* thereof.— Therefore behold as the *bad* should not be cleared away

all at once, the work of *grafting* and *pruning* shall be gradual, until the good shall overcome the bad; and the bad be hewn down and cast into the fire! that they cumber not the ground of my vineyard! Now behold as it is written, even so shall it be fulfilled. Wherefore inasmuch as the wild branches are those who are in authority among my people, even so are the natural branches, even the grafts; those whom I will take of their mother tree, (even the church) that I may graft them into the olive tree in the stead of those whose fruit is most bitter; and this, (as it is written) that I may preserve the roots of the mother tree, even the power of the *church*. Therefore behold I will again restore the power of Joseph, even the order of authority, which I had appointed by his hand; and thus shall the Lord bring again Zion. Therefore behold I have called thee to stand at his right hand, even him who cometh as Joseph, in that he also was like unto Moses, and therefore have I appointed unto thee to go before my face to prepare my way, that I may come to my people; even as it is written. And thus shall the way be prepared before thee, also that the words of Solomon may be fulfilled who thus speaketh of him, of whom he was a type, saying, "go forth O ye daughters of Zion, and behold *King Solomon*; with the crown wherewith his mother crowned him, in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the gladness of his heart." For verily saith the Lord, shall the crown of the Kingdom be given through him whom the woman, even the church in the last days bringeth forth to rule the nations with the rod of iron. And behold he who is as the Son, who first receiveth the crown, even the young man who is taller (or higher) than the rest, (as it is written in Esdras) setteth crowns upon the heads of the people; and this that they may know and follow him as their King, when Elijah shall depart, even as I have said. Therefore that thou mayest prepare thyself and come in at the Gate, make haste! that thou mayest stand in thy place; for behold the *work* of the *Lord* awaiteth thee. Amen.

Now behold saith the Lord, that it may be understood, and the principles be carried out as given in the Revelation to Joseph appointing Emma, an Elect Lady whom the Lord

had called; behold the *third* of the first *three* in the Kingdom, is the *third* Witness whose name is contained in the "Flying Roll." For behold inasmuch as the first representeth the Father, and the second the Son, even so must the third represent the Holy Spirit, for behold in this *pattern*, is the full power of my Kingdom on the Earth. Therefore in this order the power of both the male and female, are one in the throne of God, even as it is written that "the man is not without the woman, neither is the woman without the man in the Lord. And thus is the woman saved and honored, in the Kingdom of God on the Earth, even as the man; but behold on the Earth the glory or power of the woman is not that of the man, for behold he is appointed that he may receive the glory of the Father, but the woman that of the Mother, and therefore shall she stand at his right hand in the Kingdom. But behold saith the Lord, that which hath been given to the Church to honor and save the female in the stead of that in the Revelation given to Emma, hath caused the people to stumble greatly, so that they are brought into a snare, that they have suffered much, yea the *helpless* and *innocent*; and behold because they have now given forth these things unto the world; will the Dragon again persecute the woman, even those who are the remnant of her seed. Therefore because of their infatuation in these things will many turn a *deaf* ear to this my word; and therefore, is it written; these are they who are not *defiled* with *women* for they are *pure* before the Lord, and follow him in all things. And also because of these things is it written, "The daughters of Zion are *haughty* and walk with *stretched forth* necks and *wanton* eyes, walking and *mincing* as they go." Therefore will the Lord smite them even as it is written. Therefore saith the Lord, tremble ye *careless* women who are at *ease* in Zion; for behold your stay and your staff is broken, and ye shall lament for the pleasant things, even as it is written. Therefore repent ye! Repent ye! for why will ye die! O ye backsliding daughters of Zion!

Now behold saith the Lord, let my servants even the seven Presidents of the seven Branches of the Church, (even they who are represented by the grafts of the natural olive tree, and who are typified by the seven lamps of fire! before the throne) whom I appoint in this the "Book of

Remembrance," prepare themselves that they may stand in their places, lest others be called in their stead. For behold inasmuch as the Spiritual Kingdom answereth to the natural body; even so shall it now be created, that it may be brought forth. Therefore behold as in the womb, the *Eye*, which is the *Light*, even the *Spirit* of the body, and which answereth to the *Prophet of Israel*, hath first appeared, yea and also the head which followeth, hath also been appointed. Now therefore that the remainder of the body, even the members, and also the body, may be appointed in their places; I appoint unto my servant George, who desireth to serve me, and who hath much knowledge of the world, that he shall stand at the right hand of the Governor of my people, for behold he standeth as the first of the twelve Judges in Israel, and I appoint unto my servant Orson, who also desireth to serve me; notwithstanding he hath stumbled greatly, in that he offereth the Golden Cup to the nations of the Earth, yet behold, after that which is written is fulfilled, will he understand. Therefore because as Paul, he thinketh to serve me, in doing that, which causeth my people to suffer and because as Paul I have also chosen him; behold he shall stand, as the first of the Twelve Apostles at the right hand of the first judge in Israel. And behold these three, shall be the first Quorum of authority in the temporal body. For behold inasmuch as the Father and the Holy Spirit are invisible to the natural eye, even so they who represent them, are not reckoned with the *temporal body*; and behold they are one in the Father; and therefore is the *Prophet of Israel*, the *light*; yea the *Law* unto his people, as *Moses*, yea even as the mind and the spirit of the natural body; is the light and the power thereof; even so hath the Prophet the power of the Church, to act as any of the authorities thereof; and therefore is it written that "whosoever would not hear the voice of that Prophet, should be cut off from among the people." Now behold I appoint unto my Servant Alfred, that he shall stand as the first of seventy *Elders* at the right hand of him who hath the calling of an Apostle, for behold he and his number, shall wait upon the Twelve Apostles, as messengers to the nations, for unto this are they called. And behold I appoint unto my servant Elisha that he shall stand as the first of forty-nine *Priests*, and I also

appoint unto my servant Leonard, that he shall stand as the first, of twenty and four Teachers. And behold the Priests and the Teachers are Ministers, yea Watchmen unto the Church to preach to them, and to see that all attend to their duty; that order may be preserved in the body, that peace may rest upon all. And behold I appoint unto my servant Richard that he shall stand as the first of seven Deacons unto the Church, for behold the Deacon administereth in temporal things, for the sustenance of the body. Therefore is he as a Bishop, unto the Church, and behold it is appointed unto the Chief Steward, in the Stewardship, even the first Deacon, to hold the keys of the Store-House of the Lord. Therefore behold as he is the Servant of the Church, to wait upon them shall he receive the *tithing* of all the people, even the *tenth* of that which they have, and also the *tenth* of the proceeds thereof, and behold it shall be kept for those who need, that there may be no lack even as it is written in Malachi, for behold those who have arisen to lead my people, have robbed me of the tithes and offerings which belong unto me for the needy; and also for my work in Zion, and therefore is it written "ye are cursed, with a *curse*," for "ye have robbed me even this whole nation." "Bring ye all the tithes into the Storehouse, that there may be meat in mine House, and prove me now, herewith saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing; that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Now behold the words of Malachi, which are in the Book of Mormon, are written for the people of this generation, therefore let the people understand that which is written. For behold saith the Lord, this is a day of *Sacrifice*, and *offerings* and *tithing*, that I may prove those who call themselves my people, and therefore have I said, let all those of the Covenant not forget their free will offerings unto me, lest they are also not remembered before me; for behold I will now have a *tried* people, who shall fear me, and obey my word in *all* things, through that Prophet whom I have now raised up unto them. Therefore behold now, shall that which is written in the third and fourth chapters of Malachi be fulfilled. For behold saith the Lord, those of this my Covenant, are Zion, yea the *root* and *branch* of the House of Israel, even as the *natural* olive tree, as I have said.—

Wherefore as the House of Israel, I the Lord speak unto them, by the Prophet, even as I spake by Moses unto Israel in the former times. Therefore because of the light of the Prophecies which I have given, let the people now hear my voice, lest they are cut off even as it is written, for behold saith the Lord, I will be mocked no longer, except I visit the scorner in my wrath, and therefore as I live, I will show unto the people, that there is a Prophet in Israel. And now behold I the Lord seek not *numbers*, as the *false* Shepherds who set up themselves, but the *pure in heart*, for behold (as I spake by Joseph) this is Zion; and therefore as it is written, I will bring again Zion; and therefore as I have said, I will now prove the people by their works that I may separate Zion unto me, and thus will I deliver her from Babylon, even as it is written. Therefore that all those of the Covenant may know how to order themselves, behold I show unto them, who are abroad what they shall do: for behold after they shall have arrived, at the place of the Ensign, even at Kanesville, that those who have not, may go up to the Fold, with those who have, and also for other things for the good of Zion, (which from henceforth shall be called, The Church of Jesus Christ of the New Jerusalem, Rev. III. 12.) shall the *tithing* be gathered from them, even as from all others in the Church. (For behold now shall the day of tithing commence.)—Therefore it is pleasing unto me, that all who receive the "Book of Remembrance," as of me should spread forth the light thereof, in any manner they shall choose, whether in public, or in private, or by the press, it mattereth not unto me, inasmuch as they let their light shine forth, around them to my praise. Therefore let such copy, and sign their names to the Covenant, (without the Preface thereof,) and let also the amount, or value, (themselves being the judges,) of their free will offerings, and also the amount or value, of all they possess, be set opposite their names; and let also the number of families, and also the number of each family, be set down in order, that there may be no confusion. And behold if there is a considerable number, let the *more part* choose one, (even a wise man, and zealous for the Lord,) from among them, to preside over them, as their *Watchman*, and if he shall need, let him also, (with the voice of the branch) choose *two* others

as his counsellors, who shall assist him in his duties in the branch; (and behold it is wisdom that they should meet often, to pray and to speak to one another, and behold it is shall be the order when they journey, also.) And behold he shall be the Messenger of the branch, to prepare the way before them, that they may have places of residence provided for them, that there may be no confusion when they shall arrive at Kanesville. Therefore let him bring the list of all the names, arranged in the manner I have given, and also the free will offerings of each person to the Chief Steward in the Church, that it may be recorded in the Book of the Law of God, (which shall go forth from Zion as it is written,) that the names of all those who are *proved* and found worthy, may be written in the Book of Remembrance. For behold as I spake by Joseph, none other shall find an Inheritance in Zion! but their portion shall be appointed among unbelievers, where (because of the great disappointment among them,) there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth! Now behold saith the Lord, let all those of the Covenant, regard the Laws of the Land, wheresoever they may be. Therefore whosoever shall transgress let him not look to the Church for protection; for as I have said, I will now have a *pure* people, who will serve me in all righteousness and truth. Now behold let, those of the Covenant, at the place of the fold, even at the valley, act in all things, according to the wisdom which I give unto them, for behold they are not called to *suffer* by the hands of their brethren; therefore they are not called to proclaim the light of Zion, among those who have despised my words, and trampled them under their feet.— Wherefore because they are joined to *idols* "let them alone" that I the Lord may speak unto them in my wrath, yea in my fierce anger, even as it is written. For behold now shall the *four angels* unto whom it is given, smite the earth and the *trees*; even those whose fruit is most bitter. And behold there shall be *pestilence*, and *war*, and *famine*, and great distress among the *wicked*; and behold I will call for the *Locust*, and the *Worm*, and the *Catterpillar*, and thus will I cut off the boasting of the wicked, who (as it is written in the Psalms) spreadeth himself as the green bay tree, and behold his place shall be considered, but it shall not be found. But behold such as "*mourn in Zion*," let them

come into the Covenant of Peace; and also let them come into order even as I have said concerning those of the Branches who are scattered abroad, Therefore behold I appoint unto my Servant Alfred Smith, (because he hath not been ashamed of me,) that he shall copy and circulate the covenant as it is in the "Book of Remembrance," in all wisdom, among those who believe in the "Work of the Father," and let him be the Messenger of that Branch of the flock, to bring their names and their offerings to Kanessville, as soon as he can journey. And also let my servant Thomas Lewen come with him, yea and if he shall desire it—yea if he will serve me let my servant Thomas Billington also come with them. Now behold this is wisdom in me, that order may be established, at the place of the fold, that my people there may become one in me, that the spirit of peace may rest upon them; and that I may bless them, according to my purpose. And behold I say unto those of the flock there, fear not, for behold you are not forgotten before me, yea inasmuch as you are faithful before me in all things, I will spare you in the hour of trouble, which cometh upon the wicked, saith your God who reigneth in Zion. Now behold saith the Lord, have I appointed, even as it is written, that deliverance shall come for my people in a way they look not for it. For behold I will put my spirit upon him unto whom I have appointed the *temporal* government of Zion, that he shall be as *Jehu*, among the *backsliders of Israel*, for he shall not spare those who worship idols; who fear not me saith the Lord of Hosts! and thus shall the way be prepared, that my flock may feed and not be *afraid*; for behold the coming of the ten tribes hasteneth! that I may set up my kingdom, even to give the *power of judgment* unto those who are worthy, that they may possess the earth, under the whole Heaven, even as it is written. Amen.

The Song of Moses and the Lamb. Rev, XV, 3,

Hail the day so long expected!

Hail the year of full release!

Zion's walls are now erected!

Hear her Watchman publish peace!!!

From the *holy hill* of Zion!

The Great Trumpet *loudly* roars!

For Babylon is fallen! is fallen! is fallen! Babylon is fallen, to rise no more.

Lo the captives are returning!

Up to Zion see them fly!

While the Heavenly host rejoicing!

Shouts them welcome from on high!

Hark! and hear the *Shepherds* howling!

Terrified at the uproar!!!

For Babylon is fallen! is fallen! is fallen! Babylon is fallen to rise no more.

Tune your harps ye Heavenly Choir,

Praise your king, the "Great I am,"

On the sea of glass with fire!

Sing to Moses and the Lamb!

For O Lord thy work is marvellous,


That the Nations may adore.

Babylon is fallen! is fallen! is fallen! Babylon is fallen to rise no more.

Behold saith the Lord, inasmuch as in the parable the kingdom of heaven is likened unto *leaven hid* in three measures of meal, until the whole was leavened, it sheweth that my work, of bringing forth the Kingdom, is in *three* dispensations, and that it cometh forth, or is completed in the *last*. Therefore that I might show the order, and also the principal authorities of each, have I caused this figure; as a *wheel within a wheel* to be prepared. Now behold the wheels, or circles are designed to represent the dispensations; and the dots, the principal authorities thereof. And therefore behold the first dot representeth Moses; and the second, John the Baptist; and the third, Jesus Christ; and the fourth Joseph; and the fifth the Branch. And behold also the dots in the *centre* of each circle, represents him who is the head of that dispensation, and the others the two forerunners. Now behold the *forerunners*, partake of the character of the dispensations, which they close, and introduce, and therefore is the forerunner called the great-



est Prophet in the dispensation in which he arises; and therefore behold he standeth at the right hand of him, who cometh after him. Now behold saith the Lord, I have given this light because the calling of my servant Joseph hath not been understood; and therefore have his people considered him, as the head of the last dispensation. But behold because he introduced the dispensation of the *Restoration*, he came in the spirit and power of *Elias*, (even as he said) and therefore was the Gospel restored by his hand. Wherefore he was an Apostle, and also a Prophet in the spirit of *Elijah*, until he was taken that the way might be prepared for the *last*, who cometh as the *first*.— Now behold, is not this *he* of the *great sword* of whom *Enoch* spake! and also the *Olive Branch* with the *golden buds*—who cometh according to the prophecies? Therefore blessed are they who believe for they shall have Eternal Life, even as it is written. Amen.

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