

THE LATTER-DAY SAINTS' BELIEF.

WE believe in God, the eternal Father, and his Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Ghost; and that men will be punished for their own sins, and not for Adam's transgressions, Ezek. xviii. 1—4; John i. 29; ix. 1—3; Rom. v. 18; 2 Cor. v. 10, 14, 15; Heb. ii. 9. We believe that through the atonement of Christ all mankind may be saved, by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the gospel, as follows:—1st, Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; for without faith it is impossible to please him, Heb. xi. 6. 2nd, Repentance, Matt. ix. 13; Luke xxiv. 46, 47. 3rd, Baptism, by immersion, for the remission of sins; because Jesus said, "Except a man be born of *water*, and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God," John iii. 5; and Peter said unto them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost," Acts ii. 38; Rom. vi. 3, 4. 4th, Laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Spirit, as we read in Acts, 8th and 19th chapters. 5th, The Lord's Supper weekly, Acts xx. 7.

We believe that men must be called of God by inspiration, and by laying on of hands, by those who are duly commissioned to preach the gospel and administer in the ordinances thereof. We believe in the same organization that existed in the primitive church, viz. apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers, because St. Paul said they were for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, &c. Eph. iv. 9—14.

We believe in the powers and gifts of the everlasting gospel, viz. the gift of faith, discerning of spirits, prophecy, and in new revelation; for Jesus said (Luke x. 22), "No man knoweth who the Son is but the Father, and he to whom the Son will *reveal* him; 1 Cor. xii. 3, "No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost;" and John says that the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. We believe in visions, healing, tongues, and the interpretation of tongues, wisdom, charity, brotherly love, &c.; for Jesus said those signs shall follow them that believe, Mark xvi. 15—20. We believe the Word of God, recorded in the Bible; we also believe the Word of God, recorded in the Book of Mormon and in all other good books.

We believe in the literal gathering of Israel, and in the restoration of the ten tribes; that Zion will be established upon the Western Continent, that Christ will reign personally upon the earth a thousand years, and that the earth will be renewed and receive its paradisaical glory. We believe in the literal resurrection of the body, and that the dead in Christ will rise first, and that the rest of the dead live not again until the thousand years are expired. We claim the privilege of worshipping Almighty God according to the dictates of our conscience unmolested, and allow all men the same privilege, let them worship how or where they may. We believe in being subject to kings, queens, presidents, rulers, and magistrates, in obeying, honouring, and sustaining the law.

We believe in being honest, true, chaste, temperate, benevolent, virtuous, and upright, and in doing good to all men; indeed, every thing virtuous, lovely, praiseworthy, and of good report, we seek after, looking forward to the "recompence of reward."

Reader, is there any principle in the above that is dangerous to the peace and happiness of society? If not, why cast our names out with reproach for the Son of man's sake? Luke vi. 23.

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