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Pearl of Great Price

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“Again the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant seeking goodly pearls; Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.” Matthew 13:45-46.

Many have learned that a pearl is the result of a foreign substance which somehow works its way under the outer covering of the oyster secreting a milky white fluid which covers the intruder and cushions it. At considerable expense to the oyster the irritant is thus transformed into a thing of beauty and joy and sometimes a thing of great value. Now truly the Lord’s Kingdom is like that. As the suffering which the oyster endures brings forth the pearl that is so beautiful, so as Paul said when exhorting the disciples to continue in the faith of Christ. “We must through much tribulation enter into the Kingdom of God” Acts 14:22. We know that to have place in God’s Kingdom is surely a thing of beauty and joy.

Years ago as I pondered over this, it was made plain why the Lord likened His Kingdom to a pearl of great price, rather than a diamond, or a ruby or an emerald, some of which are of great price too. It would never do to liken Christ’s Kingdom to one of these. Why? Because men cut and shape, grind and polish these stones and their rough exterior is made smooth and symmetrical. The diamond, ruby and emerald have been improved by man-handling. The stones are thus prepared for market, for use among men.

But start to cut and carve a pearl and what happens? We have ruined it. The pearl stands no tampering, it is perfect and complete, it can take no man-handling. But that is what men have done with the Gospel of Christ since the beginning, they said, “Let us cut a little here, a little off there, we will shape it our way.” Give us one example you say?

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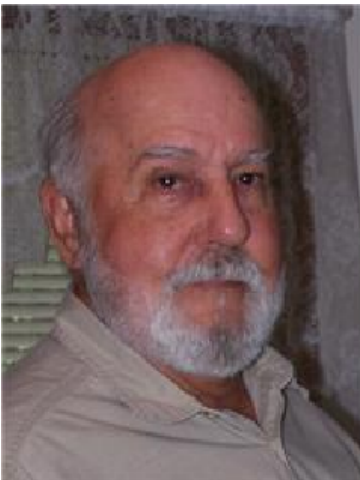
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These men waited on the Lord until the Spirit of God rested on an authorized servant – Moses – and called each one by name.

“No man taketh this honor unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron.” Hebrews 5:4. How was Aaron called? “And take thou unto thee Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the priest’s office, even Aaron,

Nadab and Abibu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron’s sons.” Exodus 28:1. The Lord here spoke and called Aaron and his four sons to minister unto the Lord in the priest’s office. These men waited on the Lord until the Spirit of God rested on an authorized servant – Moses – and called each one by name. How many wait until they are called that way? “And how shall they preach, except they be sent.” Romans 10:15.

Men recognize the need for authority in the worldly matters. You cannot even park your car without authority, if you do you run into trouble. How is it they cannot see the need for authority, direct from God in matters pertaining to His Gospel and Kingdom? If they could see this, how they would welcome the Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist, who comes with full power and authority to restore the Gospel in its fullness and purity; to cleanse and make ready, that there might be a Holy Priesthood, clean, upright and just; to set the Church in order, for he is the Elias to restore all things (Matthew 17:11) – the Kingdom and the Church of Christ, the pearl of great price.



Judgment

The scriptures teach us that we should judge good from evil we are admonished not to call evil good or good evil. Moroni 7:12-18 gives us a pretty good example and instructions on just how we should judge and on what grounds.

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are good cometh of God; and that which is evil cometh of the devil; for the devil is an enemy unto God, and fighteth against him continually, and inviteth and enticeth to sin, and to do that which is evil continually.

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“12 Wherefore, all things which

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“13 But behold, that which is of God inviteth and enticeth to do good continually; wherefore, every thing which inviteth and enticeth to do good, and to love God, and to serve him, is inspired of God.

“14 Wherefore, take heed, my beloved brethren, that ye do not judge that which is evil to be of God, or that which is good and of God to be of the devil.

“15 For behold, my brethren, it is given unto you to judge, that ye may know good from evil; and the way to judge is as plain, that ye may know with a perfect knowledge, as daylight is from the dark night.

“16 For behold, the Spirit of Christ is given to every man, that they may know good from evil; wherefore, I show unto you the way to judge; for every thing which inviteth to do good, and to persuade to believe in Christ, is sent forth by the power and gift of Christ; wherefore ye may know with a perfect knowledge it is of God.

“17 But whatsoever thing persuadeth men to do evil, and believe not in Christ, and deny him, and serve not God, then ye may know with a perfect knowledge it

is of the devil; for after this manner doth the devil work, for he persuadeth no man to do good, no, not one; neither doth his angels; neither doth they which subject themselves unto him.

“18 And now, my brethren, seeing that ye know the light by which ye may judge, which is the light of Christ, see that ye do not judge wrongfully; for with that same judgment which ye judge ye shall also be judged.”

If we fail to exercise our responsibility to judge what is good and what is evil according to God's laws and his commandments we're likely to accept a great many things as right because society in general regards them as socially acceptable. Did you ever stop to think how society in general determines what is acceptable and what is not acceptable in their eyes. I'm sure that many of you have noticed as I have through the years that as the world changes and human behavior changes people often find certain lewd behaviors and customs unacceptable and sometimes even shocking but as time goes by and they see a thing that is happening more often they start to get used to it and they accept it as

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normal and they don't see anything wrong with it because that is what everybody does.

It seems like we are confronted with so many things in our daily lives that we need to judge whether they be good or evil. If we fail to judge or judge wrongly we could sometime fall into evil without even recognizing that it is evil because we accept it as being normal and thereby allow ourselves to be deceived. It is pretty plain to see how it is necessary and right that we judge what is good and what is evil.

What I really want to talk about is a different kind of judging, that is judging our fellow man or woman. Judging one another. If we judge our brothers and sisters, and we do, we judge them in so many different ways. We judge them for their thoughts, we judge them for their weaknesses, and we sometimes make our judgments based on outward appearances not being able to look on the heart and not able to see what the real desires of their heart might be. Someone may behave a certain way and we believe it is wrong so we judge them as being an undesirable person. When in reality maybe that person behaves the way he does because

of the way he was brought up. Maybe his parents didn't teach him the right ways, set bad examples for him and he never knew any other way. He may not be a bad person maybe he just has bad training.

When someone does a bad thing we judge that person as worthy of a certain punishment. How many times have we done that, and sometimes it is pretty hard not to do. For example not so long ago there was an incident here in Kansas City where a man kidnapped a ten year old girl, riding her bicycle down the street. He kidnapped her, forced her into his truck and hauled her away and raped and killed her. We hear about something like that and it is hard not to think what a person who would do something so horrendous would deserve. Sometimes we feel it in our hearts, think it and express it.

The good thing is that we don't have to judge that person. God will judge him. What he has to face when he leaves this life and steps into his next life is much worse than what we could put on him if we had the opportunity. The Bible tells us "Vengeance is mine saith the

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Lord". We judge what a person deserves and what they don't deserve because of something they did wrong or whatever. Some people feel that not only do they have a right to judge others but it is their duty and God requires them to do so.

We can think a lot of things and mankind has thought a lot of things and based their beliefs on those things but what we think is not worth anything at all unless it agrees with the word of God. Let's look at what some of

the scriptures have to say about judging others.

In Romans 1:18 through the end of the chapter the Apostle Paul is giving us a brief overview of mans departure from the right way of truth and sinking to total immorality, lawlessness and depravity. While knowing the truth but not willing to be obedient to the truth. In chapter 2 he goes on to say:

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Romans 2:1,2 “Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things. But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.”

I’m sure that this doesn’t mean that if someone steals a purse off of the arm of an elderly lady and runs away with it, and we judge him to be a lowdown thief and a purse snatcher that we condemn ourselves because we are also a purse snatching thief . We could be a thief in God’s eyes in some other way, like taking something that rightly belongs to God and treating it like it rightly belongs to us, or maybe some other situation where the sin is not identical but amounts to the same thing.

Matthew 12:33-37, this is Christ talking to the scribes and Pharisees whom he is always calling hypocrites because they seem to always have a tendency to put on a false front. Wanting to look righteous but in reality not being righteous.

Either make the tree good, and

his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit.

O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

That is a pretty sobering thought isn’t it. That should give us pause to think before we pass judgment on others and condemn ourselves.

Message 76:13 “Preach repentance everywhere that salvation may come to the obedient. Give these words to the brethren and the Church. The faithful will believe and obey. Others will turn farther away. Fear not. To judge is not man’s duty. The Lord will

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reward. Be humble and fear not. Peace I leave with you.”

Let’s go back to Matthew 7:1, 2 “Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. “

In other words we shall receive according to how we dish it out. The scriptures make it very clear that we are worthy to receive from God only what we are willing to give to our fellow human beings. God doesn’t really need any thing from us. He wants our love and our loyalty and he wants us to worship him but he doesn’t physically need anything from us. He owns everything, he has everything, he has everything to give, and he doesn’t NEED anything. So the way he has designed things is that when we do something for our brothers and our sisters for our fellow human beings, he accepts it as doing it for him. And if we show compassion and mercy to others God will show compassion and mercy to us. If we show no love or compassion or mercy to others God will not show love and compassion and mercy to us. In the Lord’s prayer it makes a very clear point it says “forgive us our trespasses AS we forgive others who trespass against us”. What it

says in effect is forgive as we forgive others. If we forgive a little, forgive us a little, if we don’t forgive at all, don’t forgive us. Forgive us just the way we forgive others and that is what it says. Again if we say that if we pray that prayer and then we are unforgiving to someone, we condemn ourselves even in saying that don’t we?

James 2:13, “For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.”

Luke 6:35-37, “But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:“

John 8:1 -11, “Jesus went unto the mount of Olives. And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat

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down, and taught them. And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst, They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act. Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou? This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground, as though he heard them not. So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground. And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. “

For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.

These were people who knew the law of Moses and it said that certain sins were worthy of death and if a person were taken in that sin then they were to be stoned. And being the good people that they were they abided by the law and were prepared to do the duty they thought they were duty bound to perform. But when Jesus said that

they had to stop and think. And realize that they weren't without sin and that they were sinners and they were sinners condemning sinners. And when they looked at it that way they knew that they weren't the one that was without sin. So they one by one all left.

“When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more. “

If it was not his place to judge and condemn how we can think that we are worthy to judge and condemn one another.

Philippians 4:11, 12, “Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge. There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another “

If we are the true followers of Christ acknowledging him as our Lord and Master then we belong

to him and we are his servants.

Romans 14:4, 10-14, "Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand. But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at naught thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God. Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way. I know,

and am persuaded by the Lord Jesus, that there is nothing unclean of itself: but to him that esteemeth any thing to be unclean, to him it is unclean."

We think a lot of things that seem right and good to us and sometimes we will read something in the scriptures that would seem to verify what we would think. We take that and base our belief on that. Not going ahead and searching the rest of the scriptures to see what it has to say about it. When we do we find oftentimes that the scriptures contradict what we have concluded which makes it necessary that we come to a whole different conclusion based on the scripture not our own thoughts.



The word of God being taught in Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines

Online Church Service

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. For any that have not heard yet our Lord has blessed us to be able to hold services and fellowship with our brothers, sisters, and friends in outlying areas via the internet. This has been a great blessing to all that have participated, from Boston, MA to the Philippines and all points between.

The weekly services are held at 10:00 AM Central Time on each Sunday morning. The preaching and teaching responsibilities are shared by the ministry that par-

Apostle Terry Laws

ticipate as the Lord leads and directs.

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Responsibility

Each of us in this life have a responsibility unto ourselves, others, and unto God. No matter how we view it or accept it; we are accountable for our actions and our values. We have responsibility at work, at home, with our families, ourselves, and most importantly unto our Creator.

Jesus Christ gave responsibility unto His Disciples. We can read in the Gospel of Mark, chapter 6 verses 7 through 13 of Christ's words and instructions unto them. We can also find in Message 112:13 more of Christ's Words of instructions to the Disciples and Apostles. Likewise we can read in the Record of Nephtes, the book of Mosiah, Chapter 5:5-9; the instructions again covenanted unto each of us who are called of God.

It is often easy to ignore or at least to minimize our part of the responsibility in our relationship to the covenant. We can make excuses for why we cannot or will not do certain things. Some examples, may include: "I am married and must support my family and am too busy to assume my responsibilities in the ministry". Another would be that "I cannot agree with my brothers or sisters and therefore shall

Apostle Norm Lyles

wait until God shows me or them to do differently". Still another would include: "I cannot perform my responsibility because I am not qualified to do so." The list is endless and each excuse can be made to appear to have merit and real truth.



The book of Mosiah chapter 5:5 tells us, "Are we are willing to enter into a covenant with our God to do His Will, and to be obedient to His commandments in all the things that He shall command us, all the remainder of our days, that we may not bring upon ourselves a never ending torment, as has been spoken by the Angel, that we may not drink out of the cup of the wrath of God." Did you notice that this a covenant we had willingly entered into? Did you also notice our part of the covenant, which said we would be obedient? God did not ask us if others were being obedient. God did not ask us if we were qualified? God did not ask us if we had other matters that needed to be attended to either.

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God did say however we could bring upon ourselves a never ending torment by breaking our side of the covenant.

The Message 112:13, said, "Let the Apostles and disciples the world over know their great responsibility rests with caring for the flock, the saints of God." God did not complicate the instructions in the covenant, by making His Commandment long and wordy did He? He could have made the list endless and so complicated that a lawyer might be needed to translate it or clarify it unto us, but He did not. He made it very simple.

In the Gospel of Mark, Chapter 6 verses 7-13, said, "And He called them unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two.....and they went out, and preached that men should repent." They did not make excuses, or doubt, or not go; rather they obeyed and were blessed. The instructions then were not too complicated; after all they understood that Jesus would be their Power and their light, and their understanding.

We live in a complicated world today and a world which presents

us with many choices and paths to which we may journey. We have many things surrounding us which can draw our attention away from the instructions, the commandments of God. Our own personal dislikes for others, our own self doubts, our own problems, and of course the world in which we live is complicated by our fellow men and the devil. We do not live in the simple time of the Apostles of old and Disciples of Old. This to some degree is true. The real question here is not our time and our surrounding world, rather it is straight forward or should be in our minds: Has God Changed? If God has not changed, as we say we believe; then it is very apparent that neither have His Promises! Jesus said in Matthew Chapter 28:20, "lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world." He told that to His Apostles after giving them the simple commandment of "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the World."

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If indeed Christ is with us, even unto the end of the world; then what have we to hinder our attending services? What have we to hinder us from preaching and teaching and Baptizing in all nations? What is there upon this earth that would cause us to be disobedient unto the commandments of God? The answer is really quite obvious: the main hindrance is ourselves!

Responsibility also includes: the responsibility unto one's self. You see my Brothers and Sisters, each of us is accountable unto ourselves to be honest and open in our thoughts within our very mind and soul. We can make excuses, but in the private palace we refer to as our mind and soul; we must not deceive ourselves with falseness. Yes, it sometimes easier to tell others we are too busy, too angry, too unqualified, or simply too occupied with our problems to be about the commandments of God; however we cannot face ourselves and say those things. Because we know as Christians that we have made a covenant with an everlasting God who remains true to His Commandments and His Promises unto us. He remains so true that He

even has already paid the price for our souls and our hearts on the Cross almost two thousand years in advance!

I could remind you of the cost of disobedience, but instead I would remind you of the Promise: "Lo, I am with you even unto the end of world." Nothing can take away that strength, that assurance, and that Love. He has already paid it, given it, and bestowed it upon each of us that has covenanted with Him for our salvation. Mountains will pass away, oceans shall disappear, and the stars shall fall from heaven; but His Promise and His presence shall remain.

Not long ago I underwent open heart surgery, and some very fine doctors replaced four arteries in my heart and allowed me to live a bit longer. I had suffered a major heart attack and almost died. I thought a bit about my responsibility to myself, to my family, to God, and to each of you. I thought of the Promise, the promise of God unto each of us. I was very much at peace and comforted that He was indeed with me even to the end of the world. I also thought about my side of that covenant. It did

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not matter what any of you have done, or not done. It did not matter if life was fair or difficult, or happy or sad. It did not matter at all what anyone else was doing or not doing at that moment in time. It mattered to me what I

was doing and not doing. It is a humbling experience to face God and answer for ourselves, but each of us must. It is our responsibility. We are without excuse and must face our responsibility unto God.

A message from Apostle Larry Gosier Willaims

I greet you in the name of Christ our Savior. All praise and honor to His name.

I thank the Lord for giving me this opportunity to write to you.

denly come to His temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold he shall come, saith the Lord of host.

As I live from day to day and noticing the changes in the world and the things and also the people. There seems to be a lack of God in our lives. We are a blessed people thanks to the love the Lord has for us.

Malachi 4: 5 & 6. "Behold, I will send Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord:

God said that He would smite the earth with a curse. But he also said that He would send Elijah the Prophet before the great and dreadful day of the Lord. So you see if the Lord didn't send Elijah the Prophet as He has promised we all would be lost.

"6 And he shall turn the hart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I cone and smite the earth with a curse."

Please listen to what the word of God is saying to us today. Look what He said to us in Revelation. Rev. 22:3. "And there shall be no curse: but the throne of God, and the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him."

Malachi 3:1. 1. Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom you seek, shall sud-

All Christianity will say to you



today that we are living in the last days. How many of them truly believe the words of the Prophets? Believe the promises that God made to His people?

Weather we believe them or not they are true and will come to pass. God said that His word would not return unto Him void. I believe that. What about you?

We are living in the last days before Christ return and I am telling you that God is sending the promised Elijah, The Messenger of the Lord. I will give you words from some the messages that God has sent to us by His messenger.

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to one Otto Feting on February 4, 1927 at 5:30am and gave the first message."

Given March 4, 1927

Message 2:1. "I am the man sent from God and my name is John. I am the Messenger to prepare the way. I am come again that in mouth of two or three witnesses all things shall be established. When I was here to see you the last time I did not give you my name but what I told you about the Church is true and much more shall be revealed to you from time to time. Come with me and I will

show you a vision."

Given June 12, 1927

Message 3:1-5. 1. "Awake and write the message that I will give you, for this is a day of which Christ spoke, a time of hast, when much must be done. 2. The instruction is sent: to the wise, a warning; to the sleeper, an awakening; to the wicked, destruction, but to the people of the Lord, a message that Christ's coming is near at hand. 3. Behold, the Church has slept and slumbered but now let the wise trim their lamps, that the Spirit of God may be as oil to their lamps, for behold, the Bridegroom is coming, Prepare ye the way for His coming. Behold the Temple must be built."

Given September 1, 1928.

Message 6:1. "I am John, the servant of the Lord, a messenger sent from God, a co-laborer with you to prepare a people for Christ when He shall come again, which will not be long; but before that time many things will come to pass, as it is written. The Temple must be built, but it will be built through great tribulation, when trying times will be upon

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the earth; and because of the iniquity that shall be in the hearts of men, many shall no faith in the Gospel of Christ. God will chasten many, for He wants a tried people. You have had losses but you will have more; and it is best that you isolate yourself from the business world, for behold, you will be tried as Joseph of Egypt was tried, for some of your brethren are seeking to destroy your life; and you will also be accused of adultery, the same as Joseph was; and while trials shall come to you, and losses, yet you shall not want for bread; and if faithful to your trust, at the end you shall receive your reward for your labor."

Given March 9, 1929.

Message 9:1. "I come to you again to instruct you as to the work that shall be done, for behold, Satan is at work to fill the hearts of men with doubt and fears. There are those who read the words of the Lord and the prophets and have faith therein. Upon these Satan has no power. There are those who have read the word of the Lord, but whose faith is weak, and they doubt when Satan comes to them as an angle of light. Therefore. Be

not harsh with the weak, for the time will come when their faith will also be made strong. Behold the day of destruction is at hand when the judgments are coming on the Earth. And many will suffer therefrom."

Given December 2, 1941

Message 53:1. "I come again from the presence of the Lord your God. I am the Messenger of the covenant and my name is John. I am sent to bring the message to prepare the way. I come not of myself but the Lord God has sent me with a warning that the hour of His judgment is on and His coming near. This is the closing time, a time of hast. I bring a warning, and that the restitution of all things might be."

Given July 31, 1968.

Message 86:1-3. "Behold! Arise and write a message I will give you. I come from the Lords presence. I speak His will. His words shall judge all men, color and kind. 2. Make haste. Are you ready? Will the people hear that they might live and have life in the hereafter? 3. This is the closing time, to open to the Millennium reign of peace, with Christ on earth "

Given, July 4, 1973.

We are living in the last days before Christ return and I am telling you that God is sending the promised Elijah, The Messenger of the Lord.

Message 92:14. "I have brought and bring a Message for mankind that he may heed and conform to it; that he might be a part of the Lamb's Bride when He comes to make up His Jewels. I speak to fulfill the Word of God, to bring all the faithful in Christendom together to one Fold, one Shepherd, one Spirit of God, one Baptism with power for remission of sins and traditions of man that cannot save."

Given, June 15, 1976.

Message 95:10. "The eyes on mankind hath not seen, nor the ear hath not heard what is in store for them that love the Lord, that do His will, that hear and obey the words I bring; shaping their lives by the great Plan and will of God. Love is your mission. Charity suffereth long and is kind, is not puffed up and seeketh not for prominence. Neither will she dominate, nor destroy."

Given, June 2, 1978,

"I am John the Baptist, a resurrected being. I am body, flesh and bone, as you see me. I am your fellow servant. I will come again, as the Lord will direct. I leave peace with you. Publish this message with the rest. Amen."

Given, April 5, 1985.

Message 102:7-8 & verse 26.

7 "Shape your lives and works by the Words I bring, have brought and will yet bring. 8. Redemption and Salvation cometh of the Lord, it is Christ's Words that will save to the uttermost. 26. I am the Servant of the Household; I am your fellow servant, the Elias, That Prophet. I speak the Lords Will and Word."

Given, May 23, 1989.

Message 104:1. Behold! Hearken and write the words I will give you. I bring peace and a Message of Hope, to all that accept my coming, with Authority I bring from the Lord. Deliverance is found only in the teachings of Christ. Only through His atoning blood can mankind find remission of sins through obedience to the Gospel."

Given, November 25, 1989.

Message 106:19. "The law and the prophets spoke until I come now I speak for the Lord, that the word and plans of God will be carried through and accomplished and the Holy Sanctuary be made possible, the Temple of the Lord."

Given, April 22, 1994.

Message 120: "6. The Lord Jesus is Christ and He changes not. He

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is the Light of Salvation to all that hear His voice.”

God always directs His people. From the beginning of time He spoke to them through prophecy and Angles.

Didn't God say that He is the same today yesterday and forever? Why can't we believe that?

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Take what I have presented to you to God in sincere prayer. Be true to yourself and God will show you the way. He is no respecter of persons. Praise! Him for evermore.

May the Spirit of our God direct you. in all that you do.

Message 106

The morning of November 25, 1989, I awoke at 4:30 a.m. I got out of bed, dressed, and was sitting in the front room when the door opened and in walked the angel Messenger of the Lord. The light that accompanied him filled the whole house, brighter than at noonday. He took me by my right hand as he had times before, saying: "Take the message I will give you." I quickly stepped to the kitchen table where I had writing pads and a pencil. He sat in a chair facing me and began speaking. He had on the same white robe and strong countenance as al-

ways before. He spoke plainly and with firmness, watching and waiting as I wrote the words he spoke. Following is the message. He left about 6:30 a.m., the light remaining as I sat reading over the message.

1 "Behold! I come from the Lord's presence. Take the message I will give you.

2 Yea, take heed at this time, the need is great that I speak on this work and plans of the Lord. Write the words I speak.

3 Many are praying to know the

truth and the will of the Lord. The authority and trust is upon you and your brethren. Keep it sacred.

4 Let none destroy the plan nor the power or sacredness of the holy priesthood.

5 As was my coming anew to the remnant on the temple lot to the Lord's servant, Otto Fetting, your fellow servant and leader who was faithful in his day of work—yet blindness had befallen them; they sought not further light nor direction, moreover closing their minds to my message which the Lord has sent me to bring for the work in these latter days—yet they have preserved and kept sacred the holy spot pointed out by the voice, eye and finger of the Lord—this is their blessing.

6 Now hear ye this message and be firmly established in obedience to the commandment of this baptism I bring to rid yourselves of sins and traditions of man-made doctrines wherein Satan has deceived and befuddled the work of God.

7 Thus blindness has been in part. Now arise above it, bring it to pass of God's great plan. Re-

ceive this baptism. Build yourselves in the circle of the Lord. Will it come to pass?

8 Remember the Lord Jesus Christ is the truth, the way of life and salvation—deliverance from all sin. No other way can mankind be saved in the life of the flesh, this life of probation only. Thus mankind chooses this day what his destiny shall be in the hereafter—in the resurrection.

9 All that obey and defend this cause shall be the favored of the Lord. Try the Lord and see if he will open the windows of heaven and make you a delightful people—mighty in his strength.

10 He that hardeneth his heart receives the lesser portion of the word, but he that will not harden his heart, to him is given the greater portion of the word and knowledge of the work in God's plan, until it is given unto him to know the mysteries of God, until he knoweth them in full.

11 Be not deceived nor tied down by the chains of the devil.

12 Can any justly say in your heart, you know nothing of my

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coming?

13 I am John the Baptist, a resurrected being, the Messenger of the Lord, the forerunner of the Christ, his comings. I bring the Elias or Elijah Message spoken of by Christ and the prophets. I am the elect one, he to give meat in due season, the Ancient of days, the Messenger of the Covenant, the promised one to come. I speak the Lord's will and proclaim the word again before the Christ shall come. I shall be with him when he comes to claim his bride, the Church, his jewels. Let all mankind hear.

14 Behold, seek to please the Lord. Pray not in confusion, nor of a great noise, for God loveth serenity and quiet calmity, words well-said, well-spoken from the heart. Who heareth a roaring noise? Can God hear?

15 He will not bless confusion neither will he hear same.

16 The need is great that I speak on this—swing wide the gate, let the Church grow. Let the work continue everywhere. By his working Spirit great things will come to pass.

17 I bring the authority, the everlasting gospel. Heed it and the words of life and truth as taught in the Bible and The Record of the Nephites with my words.

18 Those that know the scriptures wherein speaks of my coming, the prophet like unto Moses, and all who will not hear me, that prophet, shall not be there when the Lord counts his jewels.

19 The law and the prophets spoke until I come—now I speak for the Lord, that the work and plans of God will be carried through and accomplished and the holy sanctuary be made possible, the temple of the Lord.

20 Why is the rejection and contention of the Lord's people? Will you accept this baptism I bring? Rid your minds of the sins, traditions and doctrines of men.

21 Thus saith the Lord, 'If you will hear and obey I will lift that which has befallen and will close up the breach thereof. I will cleanse the ruins and it shall be built as in the days of old, even the temple of the Lord.

22 These are my people. They have kept sacred the special spot for the temple, the holy sanctuary

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of my planning, saith the Lord.'

23 Choose a man who is no mocker, who is humble and of good report, to bring up the prints and plans from the instructions I have brought and will bring.

24 Do not bring the wrath of God upon your failing. Your houses will be laid waste—your children void of inheritance—if you come not into the will and circle of the Lord. Hear this message, obey this baptism, cleanse your minds of bitterness, of separations, of divisions over doctrinal points. Learn the truth, the humble gospel way.

25 The Lord does not change his mind or plans, and is no respecter of persons. He will not forget his promises, nor will he alter his standard or ways of values, but merciful and longsuffering. He would that none ignore his laws forever. Yea, not even his chosen people—lo, the work is not yet finished. His message is valid today as when it was first uttered.

26 Thus saith the Lord, 'I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you, and you shall walk in my statutes. I will

put my laws in your minds. There shall be peace throughout the land of Zion, and Jerusalem, and the remnant, whom I shall call my strongholds, deliverance will be there.'

27 The Lord hath power to do all things which is according to his word.

28 Bring forth repentance. Prepare the way of the Lord. Walk in his paths which are straight, for behold, the Kingdom of God must come—awaken to his plan. Seek ye the extra oil in your lamps and vessels, your lives and your work.

29 The Lord has waited long and now pleadeth to bring reconciliation and obedience to this way and it will be well with you.

30 Let more be added to be in the fields of labor.

31 Let all labor diligently and great blessings will follow wherever you go. The Lord wills it, and speaks it. So shall it be.

32 Lift high the standard and peace and power will be your portion.

33 Let there be added to the elders, moreover evangelists, and

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more as they come into this work. Before you stands an open door, enter and receive this authority: Earl Smith, Ronald O'Brien, M. Green, John Brisson and Thomas D. Schwartz.

34 Give this message to the Church and the brethren of the Temple Lot group, and to all Restoration. Hear the call of God.

35 You that shall be spared and favored of the Lord, heed the words I bring. Be converted to this great assured truth and the Lord will heal you.

36 I leave peace with you and will come again as the need may be. Amen!"

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