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## To Them That Were Bidden

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In Luke 14:16-24 is Christ's prophetic parable of the "great supper". Quote: "Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper and bade many. And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come: for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

So that servant came, and showed the Lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant. Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor and the maimed,

and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the Lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper."

After hundreds of years of famine of not receiving words from God, to have Him send His Servant with Messages direct from His Throne is indeed a great feast at Supper Time. We that accepted the bid or invitation were the poor, the lame, the halt and the blind. So poor that we have never had a National Network Broadcast; and so maimed, halt and blind that we have made little progress. Christ knew how it would be when He told this Prophetic Parable. So the final work of His Servant will be to compel them to come in from the highways and hedges that the Lord's

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**FOREWORD**

*The Assured Way*, the official publication of THE CHURCH OF CHRIST WITH THE ELIJAH MESSAGE inc. comes to you as an expression of hope we have in Christ.

In its pages are found the thoughts and expressions of a united people, whose only aim is to promote the cause of Christ by spreading abroad to every nation, tongue, and people, the true gospel of Christ, that through obedience to his laws we might be found worthy of eternal life.

In this publication, The Record of the Nephites is quoted many times. This book was revealed and translated by the gift and power of God: The year 1828 marked the beginning of the restoration of all things. It is a history of the people who once lived in the Americas, some who are the ancestors of the Native America Indians. Though it contains a record of two other groups of people who once lived in the Americas, it is for the most part a record of the people of Nephi.

The Messages so often mentioned in this publication are messages from the Lord, brought to earth by his chosen servant John the Baptist, who comes to earth in a glorified body to finish the work given him of God; that of restoring all things (Matthew 17:11). The angel first came in 1829 and restored the priesthood authority of the Son of God, that The Church of Christ might be established as in the days of the Apostles.

In 1927, the angel messenger again appeared, and on numerous subsequent visits, has brought to us The Word of the Lord that the Church of Christ might be set in order, that a people might be prepared to be the bride of Christ. This "The Elijah Message" so many have looked for, "The midnight cry" has been proclaimed, a warning of destruction, but to the people of the Lord, a message that Christ's coming is near at hand. Fear God and give glory to his name, for the hour of his judgment has come. Awake thou that sleep and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.

We hope that whosoever reads these pages might make it a matter of prayer and fasting in humility before God, that they may know for themselves, that God has again spoken and revealed His will from Heaven. To this end we dedicate *The Assured Way*.

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The Quorum of Twelve recognizes the teaching and wording found in the Bible (Authorized King James Version), The Record of the Nephites, and The Word of the Lord: Brought to Mankind by and Angel, as our rule and guide as the stable wording of God.

It is the agreement of The Quorum of Apostles of this church that no minister of this faith is to ordain any man into the ministry of this church until said candidate has with all his heart and soul confessed he agrees with everything written in our *Articles of Faith and Practice*. It is each elders duty to seek guidance from and to keep the apostles informed of his works in regions he is laboring.

**Special Notice**

The 2012 General Assembly of The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message will be held on :

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House may be filled. The word "compel" suggests strength or power. This will occur soon.

But let us look at the other things that Christ tells us in this parable. Who were the very first "many" to be bidden or invited? And what did they say? Christ gives as their first and foremost excuse, "I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it". I wonder how many have gone out from us, or have never been with us, on account of that piece of ground that was bought. That decide that a dedicated piece of ground, pointed out by the Finger of God as the place for building His Temple is of more importance than the great feast of The Word of the Lord, Brought to mankind by an Angel. His Word that in no wise shall pass away.

The Second excuse Christ tells us is, "I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them. I pray thee have me excused." A yoke of oxen is a pair of bovine harnessed for work. Christ said there were five yoke so that would equal ten work animals. They were anxious to try them out



and see what marvelous work they could accomplish. (After Assembly was over a brother was asking Brother Savage about things that occurred after the Twelfth Message. Among other things JWS mentioned that only two of the twelve obeyed the command to be baptized. If the quorum was full at that time, that would leave the ten.) I wonder how many are not guests at the Great Supper on account of admiration and adoration of the work of "Five Yoke of Oxen".

The third excuse, "I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come." Marriage is a solemn vow or covenant, binding securely together. And wife when used in prophecy means church. I wonder how many are refusing the bid to the Lord's Great Supper because they have been baptized, because they have received the Holy Spirit, or because of having already received the Authority, or have

been ordained, or simply because they already are a Church member?

We often hear the partial quote, "Come let us reason together," then they give what they call reasons which fall in the three very categories that Christ listed in His parable of The Great Supper as excuses.

In Isaiah 4:4 is the phrase: "When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters (churches) of Zion," Does anyone wish to change the Lord's method of washing? A marginal reference to this phrase is Malachi 3:2, 3, which explains that the Lord's Messenger is in charge of the cleansing. "But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fuller's soap; and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness."

With them who were bidden are loved ones very near and dear to me; so it is with a sad and heavy heart that I read Christ's concluding statement, "For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of My Supper."

## Words of Encouragement

*Editor's Note: This is a new segment of the paper that will appear every month. It will contain uplifting words that will help us get through our lives.*

### The Lord is Great

I want to thank the Lord for His love and long suffering with us. God created the world and everything that's in it. He created man and gave him dominion over all that He made. From the beginning God gave us an option; we could choose what we wanted to do. God said, (Gen. 2:16&17) "And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it; for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." We all know what happen. Man was put out of the Garden because of disobedience. He didn't put us out, without telling us how we could get back into His presence (The Garden to be with Him ). We must take also of the tree of life and live forever (The Word of God, His Commandments).

God has built a highway for us to travel on that we might get back to Him and that is His word that is found in the Bible. As we travel down the highway there are many roads that branches off to the left and to the right but the Lord said that His road is straight and narrow. If we stay on it we would get back to Him. Even though God has told us to follow His road we will try the others because they may seem to offer more for us to see as we travel, and the road is much wider. But there is one thing for sure. The Lord will not alter His road, it will remain narrow and straight leading back to Him.

Today I thank the Lord for His son Jesus Christ (God Himself) coming to earth to show us the way. Without that sacrifice we would truly be lost. Jesus first words as he began to preach was, Repent for the kingdom of God is at hand. Who was He speaking too? He was speaking to all that was gathered in that place no matter who they were or where they came from and he was speaking to us today. The word says, all have sinned an come short of the glory of God. Remember God said that He does not change; He is the same today and forever.

Let us keep a prayer for one another.

Yours in Christ,  
Larry Gosier

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## Missionary Report from Illinois

Apostle Norm Lyles

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ unto all who read this short report on my recent missionary Journey to Chicago and Rockford in the state of Illinois. I pray each of you are encouraged in reading this and especially that those in the area visited were blessed.

I traveled to the Chicago and Rockford areas from Colorado in early November 2011 to provide encouragement and strengthen the membership therein. I was blessed to be able to stay with Brother and Sister Holden and share in fellowship with many in the Chicago area.

Our Brothers and Sisters in that area of our nation are truly wonderful and loving people and striving mightily to serve the Lord. Brother Bill, Sister Exie, and Brother Norris would be my guides and helpmates as we served the Lord and His People. Upon my arrival, I was blessed to even be of some physical help to Bill Holden as we were able to repair some

plumbing problems that could have caused some real damage to their home. Sometimes we think of missionary work as simply preaching and teaching the Word, however when Brothers and Sisters have physical needs; those too, must be taken care of. Brother Norris and Brother Bill, were of great help in this effort and without them; I would have found myself really tried.

We held services and studies each day in the Chicago area and those in attendance seemed to be well fed in the Word of God. Brother Bill and Brother Norris are extremely well versed in the Word and I learned much from these two fine brothers. We considered many things, among them we studied deeply the time and hour we live in today. In this area of the country, the dangers and signs are very prevalent and one need not travel far to find the conditions spoken of in Revelation Chapter 2:12-17. My mind kept coming back to the Lord's admonition spoken of



in the Message 21:18 and Message 28:8, where in God said, **“Let W. R. Dexter continue in his efforts at Chicago for much must be done in that wicked city.”** Every night you could hear the sirens wail going to another crime and listen on the news of another soul who had lost their life. Our Brothers and Sisters labor with great love and humility in a place that truly can be dangerous. I am constantly amazed at the love that flows from Sister Exie to those around her to encourage, exhort, and admonish others to come to Christ and His Church.

We also received

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blessings in visiting and fellowshiping with Brother Crockett and being able to share in the Word and pray for him as well. He is a joy and participates each week in the internet services. Brother Crockett is unable to at this point to travel to services due to health issues and it is such a blessing to have the opportunity to have the services come to him via the internet. It is a blessing from God!

The Lord also allowed my travels to carry me to Rockford and share with my beloved Brothers and Sisters in that area. These precious souls, like many of us strug-

gle with schedules that make coming together difficult, but never the less remain faithful unto the Word of God. We were blessed as they fed us and opened their hearts and their homes unto us. I found myself humbled at the graciousness and love they shared with me as I joined them in study. We shared in the Word late into the night and hopefully all were filled. We also determined to make a greater effort to help the Local stand on firm ground and meet more often, that they might better feed the community. The Talent and quality of the Elders and women in Rockford is truly a blessing and I feel God will perform a mighty work

among them because of their faith and their great love for Christ and His Word. I felt so much at home and it was difficult for me to leave my short stay in Rockford. I will return and spend more time among these precious souls. My Brothers and Sisters in Chicago are also of a mind to go and help the Work that is there.

Finally in closing, I am so grateful unto God for His Spirit that was in abundance during this journey and among those we fellowshiped with as we traveled. I hope in the spring to visit the area once again with my Brother Larry and see what can be done to help and make this local grow. God is indeed wonderful and His Word is beyond measure in it's Power and and it's Healing Wings. I am eternally grateful unto God for the opportunity to travel unto these precious souls and I thank each of them for their faith and their steadfastness in the Lord and His Word. May each of you be blessed as you read this short report and I pray there is a bit of understanding of the good things that transpired in this journey.



## Message 90

*I was awakened at 2:15 a.m., July 10, 1970 and heard the front door latch click—thus I knew the door was opening. I heard the screen door close. I hear the main door close. I wondered who may be entering at this hour. It is not unusual for any of the family to be coming late because of the work hours. So I was not frightened, but in seconds I felt the great power of God and recognized the light. Because of being able to see the clock and all around me—the light of the resurrected one, the Messenger was present.*

*I heard his footsteps crossing the front room and coming down the hall to my bedroom. I watched for him to appear. In radiant light there he approached the open door facing me with his right hand held up near level with his chin, slightly reaching out, hand open, palm facing me tilted directly at me.*

*By this I know I have done well to defend his coming to me. I felt a great assurance it was well with my soul.*

*I spoke the words, “from my precious Jesus.” All this happened in less time than it takes to tell it. Glory to my Jesus—Don’t muzzle the ox that treadeth out the grain.*

*With a stern, loud, yet pleasant voice he said, “Behold!” Immediately, I was carried away in a vision, though I knew the room ceiling was above me it was as though it were not there. I looked beyond and far, far in the heavens, I saw a Great White Throne and on it sat our Lord the Christ Jesus.*

*All around this throne were multitudes of people, glittering in brightness as if they were clothed in bright white raiment, their voices were ringing out—Holy, Holy, Holy is our Lord, Hosanna to His name! I saw much and heard many praises and songs of joy; a sound of music and singing, and felt a peace that permeated my whole being.*

*I thought, all this, concourses of angels or saints that once were on the earth. Then I appeared to be real*

*close to them in vision, and wondered if they knew I was looking in upon them. I thought I knew men, like Adam, Noah, Abraham, Joseph, Moses and many, many others. All the righteous that was before the Christ came through the resurrection. Those that before had lived in the Lord’s will, their sojourn here on earth and were counted righteous for their faith and good works. Redemption, deliverance and salvation was theirs to have to eternity with God.*

*Again I proclaimed, “Precious Jesus,” I heard my voice, and the vision closed. Many more things I saw and heard which I have not written here.*

*I know my Lord lives and on the earth again shall stand with many saints with him. I want to be worthy. I understood that all righteous before Christ’s resurrection were resurrected at that same time.*

*I want all who read the-*

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*se words, the angel message to prepare for that eternal way and day with our God. Deliverance has come.*

*I do not know how long the vision lasted but it must have been some time compared to the things I saw and heard. A great serene feeling of joyous ecstasy was all over me. I thank God for this wonderful way of life.*

*The Messenger was still standing there just inside my bedroom door. His hands pleasingly at his sides he stepped closer to me and began to speak on.*

*He said:*

1 “Arise and write the words I will give you. Do with these as you have done with the others—publish them in the book, the Word of the Lord, and send to the ends of the earth.

2 Arrange so you may do more in this work, as the way opens. The Lord will direct and it will be well with you and others that hasten to follow.

3 I come to you with a mes-

sage from the presence of the Lord. To the believing and faithful peace and joy: they delight in my coming. 4 Press on, greater trials await the nations, the people and the Church. Let nothing destroy your faith and good works. Deliverance has come—reach out. The way is prepared for greater outpouring of the Spirit and mighty things will be revealed, but only to the humble.

5 The Lord will water the seed you have sown. Many more shall yet come. Much more shall yet come to pass of miracles and healings and a better way in the lives of many.

6 Fret not over what men may say of you. You have those to stand by you and this work. Respect ye one another and lift each other by being faithful to this work of redemption, the plan of God.

7 Every tree, the churches, the Lord has not planted shall be rooted up. There are many false claims and proclaims that is of the evil one to get gain and make merchandise of the word of

God. When man is not humble and his soul is not calm, know ye this, it is not of the Lord.

8 Some you think to be your friends is laboring for Satan, seeking to destroy your good and this work.

9 Those that will work together, stay together in faith and good works.

10 Those that will not come to understanding of my teachings, what I have to say to all ministry—unless they hear and follow through, their works will not stand and in the end they will not be there.

11 Behold, it was said by the Christ, that I come not eating nor drinking and men say I have a devil—but it is they wherein is the devil. Fear them not, be calm, for I come, and I speak the truth.

12 In ancient times, it has been told of my coming in this day and time: the end time, the closing time, the midnight cry, the time of purifying the ministry, leading all Christendom into one fold, wherein is one Shepherd, the Christ Jesus who shall rule all nations and peace shall be from one end to the other of this world.



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13 There are those that stumble over the words of truth and claim to love the Lord Jesus. However, if they knew him, they would be meek and lowly of heart—full of peace. Let them be delivered from the adversary and learn the full truth, more perfectly, the fullness of the gospel of Christ. There is no other way mankind can be saved. Hold to that I have given, build upon the instructions and directions I have given of the Lord. Shape your lives by the words I bring, for I come from the Lord's presence and my mission is one of love and deliverance. For the way is prepared that mankind may walk therein and be saved.

14 From another language and tongue the Lord has spoken to this people through the book—The Record of the Nephites—the language of the Nephites and Jaredites; which to hear in their language would appear as stammering lips—but what the Lord doeth he doeth well.

15 Yet there are those that imagine a vain thing, making evil thoughts against my

words, and the Lord's plan.

16 All that are heady and highminded seeking prominence, shall be brought low. Some will learn and yet know this work is true, though they fail.

17 When the rivers of the seas flow towards the heavens, then many that believe not, shall say, 'The Lord he is great, he doeth all things well. Surely, these things are true and he has spoken.' Some will believe, but Woe to the slow to hear.

18 As it was in the days of Noah, the doubter, the disobedient, the sinner were all taken away in their unbelief.

19 Does not the revelation say that I come with the everlasting gospel, to preach to them that dwell upon the earth? Who is man that claimeth to have more than this?

20 When men work in subtle manner he destroyeth himself. Seek to deliver and save all that will come this way.

21 Let all labor that can. Send others into the field of service.

22 Let the Church stand firm

that the residue of troubles will not harm you.

23 There will be many troubles and trials within and without the homes, the nations and the Church, until you will rejoice to stand together. Let peace rule your lives—watch what you say and do, and where you are.

24 Let the Assembly of the people be in peace. Let the conferences of the apostles and bishops continue throughout the year and always to come closer to each other and the Lord's will.

25 Pray the Lord of the vineyard to send forth men of renown and faith to work in this way. Let the women help all they can—there is much to be done.

26 I leave peace with you and I shall come again, when the Lord directs. Amen."

The Messenger left, it was 5:50 a.m.

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