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The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message

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A General Guide to Teaching the Foundation of the Church of Christ

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So, we can see the Apostles (one part of the foundation which we are to be built upon in our Christian Faith) told us the entire Church would fall away from the Word and Doctrine of Christ. Then we can see where the Prophets (another part of the foundation which we are to be built upon), said we would fall away from the Word and Doctrine of the Lord Jesus Christ. Then the Lord Jesus Christ (the final part of the foundation we are to be built upon), said we would fall away from the Word and Doctrine for Christ. In the Word of God all of this was told unto us that we might be made aware and understand the time and place we live today by the Word of God.

We can then understand the words of **2nd John verse 9**, wherein it states, "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God....." If we do not have God's Doctrine, then whose doctrine do we have: the answer is simple: the doctrine of devils as is stated in **1st Timothy,**

chapter 4 verse 1. We truly need to understand God wants mankind to follow Him and not the devil. Doctrine (the Word of God is very important and very needful for us to follow and understand. It is in reality the difference between eternal life with Christ and eternal life in hell.

The Lord's Prayer begins with "Our Father, which art in Heaven". Indeed, the Lord is a loving Father and a just father and a Father whom has paid for our souls with his sacrifice upon the cross. He seeks truly to save us and have us abide in His Words and His Doctrines. He desires us to not wander in darkness, rather to walk in His Light and His Word and His Salvation. It is for that reason He promised He would send someone to restore His Church, that His people could worship Him in Spirit and in truth (**Gospel of John 4:23-24**, "the hour cometh and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him.")

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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 2013 General Assembly of The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message will be held on :

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Jesus Christ said he would restore his Church in **Matthew 17:9-11**, “and as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying tell the vision to no man, until the son of man be risen again from the dead.” “And his disciples asked him. Saying, why say the scribes that Elias must first come?” The disciples were quoting **Malachi 4:5-6** which said, “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord” (that is to say the day of the second coming of Christ as he returns in judgment.) Keep in mind that Jesus continued his statement to the disciples and said in **verse 11 of the 17th chapter of Matthew**, “And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly SHALL COME AND RESTORE ALL THINGS.” In simple words: Jesus promised to send Elijah to restore all things before Jesus returns in judgment.

Moving to **Malachi chapter 3: 1-3**, we can read further where God said, “Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and I the Lord, whom ye seek,

shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.”...”and he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: 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.” Levi were the Old Testament ministry and the sons of Levi are the ministry or preachers of today. So who is the Elijah who will come before the day of Judgment and who is the messenger of the covenant who will purify the modern day ministry? The answer is in **Matthew chapter 11:7-14** and it is Christ himself who gives us the answers. **Matthew 11:10** tells us, “For this is he, of whom it is written, behold I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.” Jesus said John the Baptist is the Messenger of the Covenant. (Who is going to purify the ministry today) and in **verse 14 of Matthew chapter 11**, Jesus said, “and if you will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come.” Jesus declared unto us that John the Baptist is the Elijah which will come and re-

store all things before he returns in judgment. That is what Jesus Christ said and that we can believe totally.

We all know John the Baptist was beheaded (*see gospel of Mark 6:14-29*) and therefore was dead. How can John the Baptist come and restore all things today and purify the modern day ministry since he died over 2,000 years ago? The answer is contained in **verse 11 of Matthew chapter 11** and in **Matthew chapter 27:50-53**. In **Matthew 11:11** Jesus used the word raised when speaking of John the Baptist and then in **Matthew 27:50-53**, we read, “Jesus, when he had cried with loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And behold the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; and the graves were opened: and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city and appeared unto many.”

Therefore we know John the Baptist was a saint, we know Jesus said he would arise and we have record of it in **Matthew chapter 27:50-53**. The

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Word of God is not lacking if we seek the Lord and His guidance to understand it. Isaiah 28:9-10 told us, "Whom shall he teach knowledge? And whom shall he make to understand doctrine? Them that are weaned from the milk and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept: line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little." It is truly needful that we today understand the word of the Lord and follow it. God has sent the promised Elijah, the resurrected John the Baptist and he is restoring the Lord's Church back to the everlasting gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, which mankind has fallen away from. One of His first instructions is contained in the twelfth message and the fourth verse, which said, "Behold, the Lord has rejected all creeds and factions of men, who have gone away

from the word of the Lord and become an abomination in his sight. Therefore let those that come to the Church of Christ, be Baptized, that they may rid themselves of the traditions and sins of men; preparing themselves, that they may be fit and worthy for the Spirit and Power of the Holy Ghost, and as the greater power shall come, that they may be ready to receive it with joy. For this is the time of the restitution and restoration of all things, and this must come to all that shall be permitted to dwell in the presence of Christ, for sin cannot receive the glory of God, nor the power of the Holy Spirit." God also said in the last part of verse 19 of the twenty second message, ".....That the gospel may be preached and the Kingdom of God might be established on earth in it's fullness, and the Church set in order in it's completeness."

We live in an exciting time, a time just before the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and we live in the time Christ promised that he would send His Messenger to prepare the people for His Second coming and Judgment. It is a time that men have waited for ever since the Resurrection of the Lord. We wait for the return of Christ and with the coming of His Messenger we know and rejoice that His Second coming is near. Therefore let all be up and doing and have oil in our lamps that we will be as the wise virgins spoken of in Matthew chapter twenty-five. God Bless you in this study and it is my hope you are blessed and understand it clearly and it will be of some small help in your teaching of the Doctrine, Foundation, and Plan of our Lord Jesus Christ for today. Amen.

By Apostle Norm Lyles

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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 always 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 manmade 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. Receive 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.

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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 delightsome 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 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 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 in-

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structions 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

will 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 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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