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## DOCTRINES

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CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS:

ITS FAITH AND TEACHINGS.

BY ELDER JOHN MORGAN.

"Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me."—JOHN v. 39.

"To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them."—ISAIAH, VIII, 20.

WE believe in God the Eternal Father, and in His Son Jesus Christ, and in the Holy Ghost.

We believe that men will be punished for their own sins, and not for Adam's transgression.

We believe that, through the atonement of Christ, all mankind may be saved, by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the Gospel.

We believe that to obtain salvation it is necessary to obey the following principles of truth.

### FAITH.

The principle of faith is the moving cause of all action. A man must have faith to believe that God will answer his prayers before he will offer them. It requires faith to accomplish any given work to which we set our hands.

Noah had faith in the promise God made to him, while the world of mankind perished through their lack of faith. Faith caused Noah to act, while the unbelieving people of his day, who had not faith, derided and refused to accept his testimony, and the result was that Noah and his household were saved, while destruction overtook the unbelievers.

my brother George I obtained permission from Pres Smith to remain in S. L. City for the Conference so we went to S. L. C. Apr. 3<sup>d</sup>. Attended all conference meetings went to Bountiful on the 7<sup>th</sup> returning to S. L. C. on the 9<sup>th</sup> ~~to attend instruction meeting in Amer. to Temple~~. Hours set apart by B. H. Roberts on Apr. 4<sup>th</sup> while visiting relatives at Bountiful stopped at Bro. E. Thomases while at S. L. C. stopped in company with Brothers George and wife at Elder M. Nielsons home was treated kindly there as well as at Bountiful.

April 10 S. L. City Utah

Obtained tickets ect- am to leave on the 6:15 P.M. train for Chattanooga Temp wrote letter to my wife & Mother also was a little short on money so borrowed from A. J. Grant. <sup>shortly</sup> Am to travel with a company of Elders & one lady Mrs. Berlin of Nuttovo.

On train all day between Ogden Utah and Cheyenne Wyoming in evening got on south to Denver Colorado 8:10 P.M. Left Denver 10 P.M.

Apr 12

Morning came while we were yet in Western Kansas all day toward Kansas City Arrived 5 P.M. Stay over till 9 P.M. took short care and went up train short time left Kansas City for St Louis 9 P.M.

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Arrived at St Louis lay down a short time and went on to write for Chattanooga Passed Cairo saw the junction of Ohio and Mississippi rivers saw Steam Boats crossed over river bridge ect.

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Arrived at Chattanooga at 2:30 A.M. went to Raymore hotel and after breakfast purchased clothing ect put in rest of the day working running right round.

Monday 20 Notaway Co.

Upper Limestone

After a good night-  
est with U.S. in the Corn fodder  
Elder Evans & myself traveled on  
I finally built a fire & waited  
all morning when we set out in  
search of a family of Saints.  
Found the home of Mr Oliver his  
son being a member of our Church  
they took us in treated us kindly  
gave us breakfast and we slept part of  
the day as it was the Sabbath & rested  
for our weeks work talked with  
Mr. Oliver who is favorable to our  
work. I had a fine time.

Monday-21-1902 —

Left Oliver's place about 7 A.M. for Burke  
ville passed Burkville arriving at New  
youth was very tired having walked  
20 miles since 10 A.M. we are now in  
Cumberland Co. enroute for Jonesboro  
in Brunswick Co. we were entertain-  
~~d~~ed at the home of W.J. Estes,  
his sister being a member of our  
Church we left early for Jonesboro

Tuesday 22

Leaving the house of Mrs Estes at  
about 7:30 we traveled on, passing by  
McFarlin we met Elders Hyde &  
Edwards at Jonesborough we had then  
to walk 8 miles having already  
walked 22 making a walk of thirty  
miles I was lame & very foot sore  
having walked so far, for the last  
4 days was never so tired in my  
life but arrived at the home of W.M.  
Edmonds where we were treated  
very kindly after supper we retired  
in an attic room was so tired could  
hardly sleep

Wednesday April 23-1902

We decided to stop over here today  
and rest up. Elders Edwards & Evans  
to go from here to their farms in  
Notaway Co and Elder Hyde & myself  
to go into Brunswick Co. own field of  
labor. I am very lame in my right  
leg & generally need up but am  
not blue nor disengaged.

Tuesday May 6th 1902

After a long talk with Mr Taylor we left we did some trouting till noon when we were taken in by a young farmer for dinner. He cannot read so cannot understand our tract, but his wife can read little so she bought a book. I got a poor leaf and mailed it home, we tired till night we asked entertainment was finally taken in by one Mr Rawlings very well to do farmer we found well passed thru Charlie Hope on our way not passed thru little opposition.

Wednesday May 7-1902

We left Mr Rawlings home tired on all we reached White Plains there we were turned away and showed the road and told to take it at several places. We went to the parsonage of the district and called on the preacher (Methodist) he was no Robt in Congress Brigham Young & Mountain Meadow etc. et in return we gave him scriptures and testimony he will not forget for some time

we went on till night and stopped with one J. D Brooks a cripple he was very kind to us we were ready for supper as we had traveled all day without dinner and ate only a little bacon and some dry biscuits for breakfast I am feeling a little bad and a little dispirited but if the Lord will bear with me and forgive my past weakness I will try with all my might to do his will and to fill a good mission. It has been raining considerable of late makes it hard traveling but others have gone thru trouble for the sake of the gospel. So I will try -

Thursday May 8-1902

We left the home of Barrows or Brooks it was raining and very muddy so it was very hard walking we arrived at the home of T. D Temple at noon and spent the rest of the day resting etc. I helped Mrs Barnes make flower beds set out plants etc. in the evening we feel very much at home here.

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Friday May - 9-1902

We had called for our mail and as it had not come we would have to lay over till 1:30 the next day so as Mr. Temple asked us to accompany him to the mill we did so I saw while then the way he hauled which was faster than our way at home and as it was much easier two teams would put in about 10 thousand feet per day in very small logs hauling them about one mile or more he sells lumber for \$6. per thousand and feet-but-pays only 70 cts per day for his laborers. Mr. Temple is very kind to us and we are welcome at his home. We left the mill at 1 P.M. and started for Brandon. We arrived at Brandon and found no mail so on we went two miles to Bagley's Mills. we stopped for night with C. Mr. Saunders having walked 20 miles since 2 P.M. very tired.

Saturday May 10 1902

We left Mr. Saunders home and after a walk of 6 miles we arrived

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at Bagley's mills we spent the day resting hunting up the other Elders & we held an instruction meeting at night - I was called to speak we had an enjoyable time as there were 12 Elders at the conference this neighborhood is very friendly & all found good entertainment for the night.

Sunday May 11 1902

After 9 A.M. all were present we held a council meeting for the Elders lasting 1 hour after which the Conference convened & there being present about 20 members & friends had a good meeting and reconvened at 2 P.M. and had excellent services. Meeting was held at 8 P.M. There set of us spoke all in all we had a very good time.

Monday May 12

Spent the day with friends here stayed with the Elders the principle part of the day had a most enjoyable

old place the Church yard is composed of a grass grown lot of about 2 acres and filled with graves the oldest date we noticed was interred in 1687 Making it two hundred and fifteen years since it was placed there In the South West corner of the Church was a cannon ball just about  $\frac{1}{2}$  buried in the wall fired by an English lord at the time of the Revolution. We got to our depot took train rode to Butt Road and walked from there to the home of Brother Woodard where conference is to be held we found four of the Elders there upon our arrival While at Newport News we saw a number of War vessels among the Number was the ~~Alabam~~ Alabama also the Olympia (Davis flag ship) We sat down to supper on one corner of the table was the largest dish of straw-berryes I ever saw but there was not so many when I finished my supper. Am quite well.

Sunday May 18- 1902

During the first part of the day we

talked & ate straw-berryes etc at 11 AM Pres Mortensen arrived after a good dinner we held meeting after meeting we adjourned to the straw-berry patch also picked a bucket full for supper I ate more straw-berryes than ever before in my life. we had an enjoy able time met up with Elders Ridenour and Farns for the first time, held meeting again in the Evening very few attended

Monday May 19- 1902

We left Bro Woodard at 10 to 1 Q.M. after a walk of fourteen miles we got on a street car & rode 5 miles to where we took the boat on the North of Norfolk after a pleasant sail of 16 miles across the finest harbor in the World we arrived at N.P.M. thence to Richmond 90 miles by rail. A new ship being built there and 9 sticks of the pine were shipped from Oregon at a cost of \$3.30 each and average over 100 feet long

May

I am liable to remain here some time as Pres Rich is about to send Elder Hyde Elsewhere if so I will help to canvass the rest of Manchester City. I am fairly well but some little blue.

Tuesday May 20/1902  
Remained in town all day I am not very well I put in the most of my time reading etc.

Wednesday May 21/1902  
In Richmond all day am lettered to-day We met Pres Rich at the Dept stayed with him till 11:20 P.M. when he left for Chattanooga they take Elder Hyde to labor in the office at Chattanooga so I will have no companion for a while

Thursday May 22/1902  
Early this morning we began to make a trip to Washington D.C. we finally dined to go so at 12:10 P.M.

my self & Elder Hyde took train for Washington we arrived at Capitol grounds at 4 P.M. We saw both houses in session also went to whistling room and all thru the Capitol building at night we attended a theater the play was East Lynn. Also met one of the Elders there from St. Louis

Friday May 23/1902  
In Washington first visited Patent Office then Nagyard then the printing office where 28 hundred are employed from them We went up the Washington Monument a height of 500 feet on the elevator where we obtained a very beautiful view of all Washington and a very fine view of the Potomac in the afternoon we witnessed a ball game between two of the American League teams St Louis & Washington it cost 25¢ for 3d class seat but was very interesting we went to another theater that night very fine

with Bro. Tuck & Family

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Saturday July 19 - 1902

We left Bro Tucks in last to catch our train we walked the distance in home & 10 M. being over 4 miles hundred walk I have made yet in the South for so short a distance Left all at Bro. Tucks in time at the thoughts of having to part with Pres. H. we connected all O.K. with trains as we arrived in Lynchburg about 8 A.M. Then loaded a east bound train for Richmond where we arrived at 2 P.M. After an absence from the office for 3 weeks all O.K. here. After a bath Shaw & some time spent in reading letters we went up to see Dr Hayden all O.K. There written is the hottest yet of the

season.

Sunday July-20-1902

For part of the day was spent in writing ect. at office after we held meeting at Bro. Hinch his 3<sup>d</sup> again at night with Rev Austin good crowd for cottag meetings. I am fairly well although the hot weather does not agree with me

Monday July-21-1902

Spent the day in connection with Pres. H. going over rec'ds. footing up accounts, &c. receiving sum as he wish to turn all business over to me at once

Tuesday July-22-1902

Day spent on books letter with visiting with Pres. H. ect.