

<p>my wives and children. Our plural wives and our children are just as dear to us as the one wife and the children of the Gentiles are to them; and what is more, we have married our wives by command of God, and</p>	<p>by authority of His Holy Priesthood, which has been restored again to earth; and if we prove faithful and true to Him and to one another, we shall claim our wives and children in the world to come. Amen.</p>
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ELDERS—VALUE OF THE TRAINING THEY  
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OF THE ELDERS WOULD BE INTERESTING—PROSPECTS  
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CHURCH CANNOT BE HINDERED—THE SAINTS PURIFIED  
BY TRIAL.**

DISCOURSE BY PRESIDENT GEORGE Q. CANNON, DELIVERED AT THE ASSEMBLY HALL,  
SALT LAKE CITY, SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 14, 1880.

REPORTED BY JOHN IRVINE.

<p>It is exceedingly pleasing to me—and I have no doubt it is to all the Latter-day Saints—to hear the testimony of the servants of God who have gone forth as missionaries to the nations of the earth, and have returned bearing a faithful testimony concerning the work of God, and giving their experience in declaring the word unto the people.</p> <p>The labors of the Elders of this Church are, in some respects, the most extraordinary of all the labors of the children of men with which I am acquainted. The preaching of what is called the Gospel is not uncommon. There are thousands upon</p>	<p>thousands of men who profess to be ministers of life and salvation, and to be servants of the Lord Jesus Christ, who devote their lives to the proclamation of those principles which they esteem necessary to salvation. But it is not a common thing for men to go forth, putting their trust in God and relying upon him for that sustenance which is necessary to enable them to live and to perform their missions. We have missionaries of various denominations who have come here, as they say, to enlighten us, to dissipate our errors, to put us on the right path and to point out to us a</p>
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