

light of God may go forth from Zion and His name be honored in all the earth, and that He may reign from pole to pole and from shore to shore forever and ever. Amen.

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**OBEDIENCE TO THE PRIESTHOOD OBJECTED TO BY THE  
WORLD—WISDOM IN THE COUNSEL OF THE  
PRIESTHOOD—PROSPERITY OF THOSE WHO HAVE  
OBEYED—TEMPORAL AND SPIRITUAL  
WEALTH—EFFECTS OF THE PRIESTHOOD'S  
INFLUENCE—LOYALTY OF THE SAINTS—RESPECT FOR  
LAW AND HATRED OF OPPRESSION AND  
MOBOCRACY—DESTINY OF THE SAINTS—THEIR  
CAPACITY FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT—CHARACTERISTIC  
VIRTUES—TREATMENT IN REGARD TO SEXUAL  
CRIME—HONOR IN DEALING—DUTIES TOWARD  
FAMILIES.**

DISCOURSE BY PRESIDENT GEORGE Q. CANNON, DELIVERED IN THE MEETINGHOUSE,  
BEAVER, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 20, 1883.

REPORTED BY JOHN IRVINE.

I am greatly pleased at having the opportunity of meeting with the Latter-day Saints in this place, and I trust that our meeting will be profitable to all. It is a most excellent thing to come together as we have done today, and as we shall do tomorrow, and have an interchange of views and partake of that spirit which is accessible to all of us—that is, to all those who have placed themselves in a position to receive it, by keeping the commandments of God.

We have had from Brother Lyman much good instruction, and if it is remembered and carried out practically in our lives it will be of great profit to us. There is one thing that

suggested itself to me in listening to his closing remarks, and that is, that if there are any strangers here—I suppose there may be—I am not so well acquainted with your people as I might be—they will imagine that we are dwelling considerably on this idea of listening to the counsels of the Priesthood. If there is anything more objectionable than another in the eyes of those who are opposed to this work called "Mormonism," it is that feature of it. I do not think there is any feature that is so much disliked and so much found fault with as that peculiar feature of our religion which requires us to listen to the counsels of the Priesthood. In this respect we