

# The Greater Light

## *The End Time Messenger*

*'... Let all have Faith. Turn to The Lord and obey His Commands. Heed Repentance and Baptism that The Way of The Lord shall be among men. His Kingdom shall fill the whole earth. The hands must be laid upon all that THE GREATER LIGHT might come to them'*

## Isaiah 7:14 & John 1:14

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**“Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.**

**And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father.) full of grace and truth.”**



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## Articles of Faith and Practice

1. We believe in God The Eternal Father, who only is Supreme; Creator of the Universe; Ruler and Judge of all; Unchangeable and without Respect to persons.
2. We believe in Jesus Christ The Manifestation of God in the flesh, who lived, suffered and died for all mankind; whom we own as our Leader, Witness and Commander.
3. We believe in The Holy Ghost, The Spirit of Truth, The Comforter, which searcheth the deep things of God, brings to our minds things which are past, Reveals things to come, and is the medium by which we Receive Revelation of Jesus Christ.
4. We believe that men will be punished for their own sins and not for Adam's transgression, and that as a consequence of The Atonement of Christ "all little children are alive in Christ, and also all they that are without The Law. For The Power of Redemption cometh on all they that have no law; wherefore, he that is not condemned, or he that is under no condemnation, cannot repent, and unto such, baptism availeth nothing." (Moroni 8:22)
5. We believe that through The Atonement of Christ all men may be Saved by Obedience to The Laws and Ordinances of The Gospel; viz. : Faith in God and in The Lord Jesus Christ; Repentance and Baptism by immersion for the remission of sins; Laying on of Hands for: (a) Ordination, (b) Blessing of Children, (c) Confirmation and The Gift of the Holy Ghost (Acts 8:17), (d) Healing of the sick.
6. We believe in the literal second coming and Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ; in The Resurrection of the Dead, and in Eternal Judgment; that men will be rewarded or punished according to the good or evil they may have done.
7. We believe in The Powers and Gifts of The Everlasting Gospel: viz: The Word of Wisdom; The Word of Knowledge; The Gift of Faith; The Gift of Healing; Working of Miracles; Prophecy; Discerning of Spirits; Divers kinds of Tongues; Interpretation of Tongues.
8. We believe The Fruits of The Spirit to be Love, Joy, Peace, Long Suffering, Gentleness, Goodness, Faith, Meekness, and Temperance.
9. We believe that in The Bible is contained The Word of God; that The Record of the Nephites is an added Witness for Christ, and that these contain 'The Fullness of The Gospel.'
10. We believe in the principle of Continuous Revelation; that The Canon of Scripture is not full, that God Inspires men in every age and among all people, and that He speaks when, where, and through whom he may choose.
11. We believe that where there are six or more regularly Baptized members, one of whom is an Elder, there The Church exists with Full Power of Church extension when acting in Harmony with The Law of God.
12. We believe that a man must be Called of God by Revelation and Ordained by those having Authority, to enable him to Preach The Gospel and Administer The Ordinances thereof.
13. We believe in the same Church Organization as existed in the time of Christ and His apostles. The highest office in The Church is that of an Apostle, of whom there are Twelve, who constitute Special Witnesses for Jesus Christ. They have The Missionary Supervision and The General Watch care of all The Churches.
14. The primary function of The General Church, of which each Local Church is a component part, is Missionary and the building up and extension of The Kingdom of God in all the world.
15. We believe that Local Churches should govern their own affairs and that General Church officials should not dominate or interfere therewith. On invitation such general officers may, with propriety, give counsel and assistance. Local congregations are subject to The Articles of Faith and Practice and must be governed thereby.
16. We believe The Church of Christ comprehends The True Brotherhood of man where each esteems his brother as himself and wherein The Divine Command to 'love your neighbor as yourself' is demonstrated by the prevalence of social equality.
17. We believe that all men are Stewards under God and answerable to Him not only for the distribution of accumulated wealth, but for the manner in which such wealth is secured. The primary purpose of Stewardship is not the increase of Church revenue or the mere contribution of money by those who have to those who have not, but to bring men to a realization of The Common Fatherhood and the universal brotherhood of man in all the affairs and expressions of life, and to maintain such social adjustments that each may enjoy The Bounty and Gifts of God, and be free to exercise his talents and ability to enrich the life of all.
18. We believe that men should labor for their own support and that of their dependents. Ministers of The Gospel are not absolved from this responsibility, but when Chosen or Appointed by The Church to devote their entire time to Missionary Work, their families are to be provided for out of General Church fund. The Admonition of Christ that The Ministry should not provide purse or scrip for their journey, but go Trusting in God and the people, is applicable.
19. We believe that the temporal affairs of the General Church are to be administered by The General Bishopric under the supervision and direction of the general conferences of The Church. The temporal affairs of The Local Churches shall be Administered by local Bishops under the supervision and direction of the local congregations.
20. We believe that marriage is Ordained of God, and that The Law of God provides for but one companion in wedlock for either man or woman. In case of breach of this covenant the innocent one may remarry.
21. We are opposed to war. Men are not justified in taking up arms against their fellows except as a last resort in defense of their lives and to preserve their liberty.
22. We believe in The Literal gathering of Israel, and in The Restoration of The Ten Lost Tribes.
23. We believe a Temple will be Built in this generation, in Independence, Missouri, wherein Christ will Reveal Himself and Endow His Servants whom He Chooses with Power to Preach The Gospel in all the world to every kindred, tongue and people, that The Promise of God to Israel may be Fulfilled.
24. We believe that a New Jerusalem shall be Built upon this land 'unto The Remnant' of The Seed of Joseph. (Ether 6:6-8; III Nephi 10:17), which city be Built, beginning at The Temple Lot.
25. We believe The Ministry and Membership should abstain from the use of tobacco, intoxicating liquors and narcotics and should not affiliate with any society which administer Oaths or Covenants in conflict with The Law of God, or which interfere with their duties as freemen and citizens.

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Message 53:3, **'Give ear, Oh ye people of the earth. Hear The Warning today. I speak The Words and Will of The Lord. Let all have Faith. Turn to The Lord and obey His Commands. Heed repentance and baptism that The Way of The Lord shall be among men. His Kingdom shall fill the whole earth. The hands must be**

laid upon all that **THE GREATER LIGHT** might come to them.’

Message 53:10, ‘Yea, I have brought a Warning and few prepare for **THE GREATER LIGHT**, but be thou Faithful even all who hear, for The Lord’s Will shall be fulfilled in all things. All have their work to do and the day comes when The Lord shall breathe upon The Chosen and they shall do His Work in Mighty Power for their love toward the brethren. All that offend and that do not keep His Commandments shall not be His in the Last Day. Moreover, it is Christ’s Words that shall judge all men.’

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*Faith and Practice.*

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Secretary For The Twelve

## FOREWORD

**THE GREATER LIGHT**, the official publication of *The Church of Christ With The Elijah Message, The Assured Way of The Lord, Inc.*, comes to YOU as an expression of the Hope we have in Christ.

In its pages are found the thoughts and expression 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 1829 marked the beginning of *The Restoration of all things*. It is a history of the people who once lived in the region around *The Great Lakes*, some of whom are Ancestors of The American Indians. Though it contains a Record of two other groups of people who once lived here, 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 to him of God; that of Restoring all

things (Matthew 17:11-13). The Angel first came in 1829, and Restored *The 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 is *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 soon Coming is near at hand. Fear God and give *Glory to His Name*, for *The Hour of His Judgment* has come. Awake thou that sleepest 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 Greater Light***.

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## THE MESSAGE OF CHRIST TODAY

### *To All People*

#### Message Forty Two

1. "I come to you in peace. I bring a message from the Lord; he that has loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that he might man redeemed.

2. This is the Lord's work. You men are called from among men to represent Christ and his church. Therefore be very humble. Meet in your assembly in peace and let the Lord by his Spirit remain among you. Behold, the Lord will meet with you, for truly this shall be the beginning of great things to come to pass.

3. See that all teach and preach the same thing—and wander not off on strange doctrine, for such will not save you.

4. Those that shall not labor in full purpose of heart to defend this cause shall be not of the chosen of the Lord. Hardness of heart and under deception is not of the Lord. There are those that are traitors. Let them repent lest the Lord reject them for this work shall go on and the purpose of the Lord accomplished.

5. Contend with no man, only for the truth. Remember the Lord Jesus who intercedes to the Father for mankind that he shall draw all who will come unto life eternal.

6. Repent ye that have erred and ye that are right before God, for the church work is holy and it must be carried on under the just plan of the Lord. Let no contention come among you; they that contendeth against the word of the Lord contendeth selfishly to their woe. Let all ye servants be as one and great things shall come to pass that shall awaken many and hosts shall gather to learn the will of the Lord.

7. To the servants of the Lord: Do as I have

bid you. Let the twelve counsel together much and consider this great work and the Spirit of the Lord shall abide with you to enlighten the way, for in principle, justice and righteousness shall ye consider the way. The Spirit of the Lord shall fill your souls with joy, and with a conqueror's tread shall the work go on. With your faith ye will accomplish. It shall be done.

8. Let the bishops counsel together much. Be kind and humble that ye may understand the ways and needs of the people. Let all be saving that more might go to the field.

9. Let all pray much that when the evil powers arise, they shall not harm the work of the Lord. As you labor, labor in love. As one, stand together and the powers of darkness shall fade before you. Be kind to all men. Be ye observant.

10. Make your preparations that the gospel may soon be preached in Norway, for this is an opportune time to take the message to that humble nation.

11. Let more set their homes in order that they may go to the fields and labor. Hasten, arise, go forth in faith; your mission is one of love.

12. I have come as the messenger of the Lord. I speak his will and my name is John. I shall come again to instruct in this work, for so is the will of the Lord. Amen."

## From the Apostles

The Angels of God  
Apostle Eddie Lee

The angels of God (Yahweh-Yeshua) Shalom, the Bible the Holy Writ is full of natural and supernatural events, some good and some evil source. Some are from the true and living Jesus Christ, The Creator of "The Heavens" and Earth and all the constellations seen and unseen. There are Evil Spirit beings, demons wicked spirits, devils under authority of the Father of Evil and Spirit, Lucifer the fallen Cherubim. Both for now today we will speak and give some important information what the Bible gives about the angel host of Yahweh (Yeshua).

The angel of God (Yeshua), The Hama-shiach, The Holy One of Israel

A. They are often referred to as helpers of God, Messengers of God, the watchers, the record keeper, warrior's, defenders, protectors, the light carriers, ministering spirits, they who cover.

They are spirit beings and they only do their creator's bidding not mans. The Angels were God's creation. They undoubtedly existed the time of memorial thousands of years.

B. There are different types of Angels of God, different in rank, in position, in power and work in assignments as in the Heaven so in the Earth. They are different in job assignment in appearance. Angels have order and rank.

Under leadership some hold rank of position of peace as A.) cherubim's (captains), B) seraphim's (generals), C) ark angels, D) warring angels E) messengers, ministering angels, guardian angels. There are millions of millions of angels all subject to command of their Master and Maker only (Yahweh Yeshua). Again I repeat they are different in size, position, rank and duties.

No where in scriptures are we told or commanded to pray to angels. No where are forbidden by God to pray or worship angels.

In pagan and heathen cultures they are in ignorance worshipping various deities or spirit beings (demons). Angels of God will not accept these. Satan and demons desire and crave their worship. Angels are servants, helpers, messengers to do God's bidding. They are over the (redeemed) fellow servants in God's Kingdom and affairs. As we look at scriptures we find much about angels of God and their delight to do their Creators Bidding and helpers of God's people to do the work of God.

If we did not (The Church of God) have angels of God protecting us from day to day and night to night, we would no doubt be destroyed. Angels protect God's people and to a certain degree sinners also. There are millions of evil spirits and demons walking up and down on the earth. They hate God and hate God's people. They hate all flesh. God's angels operate in God's love, light, truth, justice, judgment, giving comfort, and help in victory in all needs of mankind. You who are beloved in Christ Jesus know this. They know this even now in our day and time. Be aware and be assured. The angels of God are appearing, visiting and seen of many people all over the Earth, even in nations and visions of the Lord Jesus Christ. The unsaved receive visitation of God's angels. Be not surprised that the angels of God are being sent of God (Yahweh, Yeshua) to visit many souls who are and were not Christians or followers of Jesus our Lord. Many good people even heathens are seeing visions

and actual appearing of God's angels. They are also seeing demons and devils and familiar deceiving spirits in false idolatry religions as well. Remember this Christ Jesus died and paid the price and penalty for the sin of all. All are born under the curse of sin and death. Jesus loves all men. He seeketh all, even those in the worst spiritual ignorance and idolatry darkness. His redemption sacrifice on Calvary was and is for all. So if he chooses to visit sinners, pagans, heathens, and nations don't be surprised. He loves all. He doesn't love their sin and evil and pagan works.

The darkness of uncivilized tribe of mankind in regions of Europe, Asia, Africa, Central America and North America Jesus reaches out to them. I know that many people think that heathens are only in Africa, not so. There are many more in Europe, Asia and U.S. A. (idolatry).

The angel messengers carries light and truth, justice, protection, and deliverance from the Father (Yahweh).

#### Angels of the Old Testament

1. Angels visit Hagar. Genesis 16:7-12.
2. Angels received of Isaac. Genesis 18:1-13.
3. Angels destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah. Genesis 18.
4. Angels intercept the slaying of Isaac. Genesis 22:11-12.
5. Angels guard Jacob. Genesis 28:12; 31:11; 32:1.
6. An angel commission prophet Moses. Exodus 3:2.
7. An angel leads Israel. Exodus 14:19; 23:20-23; 32:34.
8. An angel arranged the marriage of Isaac and Rebecca. Genesis 24:7.
9. An angel of God gave the law. Acts 7:38, 53; Galatians 13:19; Hebrews 2:2.

10. An angel rebuked Balaam. Numbers 22:31-35.
11. Prince of God chief angel appeared to Joshua. Joshua 5:13-15.
12. An angel of God rebuked the Israelites for Idolatry. Judges 2:1-5.
13. An angel commissioned Gideon. Judges 6:11-20.
14. An angel announced the birth of Samson. Judges 13.
15. And angel smote Israel. II Samuel 24:16-17.
16. An angel saved Daniel from the lions. Daniel 6:22.
17. Angels smote the Assyrian army. II Kings 19:35; Isaiah 27.
18. Angels received Elijah. I Kings 19:5-8.
19. Elisha was surrounded by invisible angels. II Kings 6:14-17.
20. Angels encamp around God's people. Psalms 34:7; 91:11.
21. Angels aided in writing of Zechariah. Zechariah 1:9; 2:3-5.

#### Angels in the Life of Jesus

1. An angel announced His Birth. Luke 1:1-4; and names him Luke 1:13.
2. An angel told Mary the birth of Jesus (Yeshua). Luke 1:26-27.
3. An angel told Joseph about the birth of Jesus (Yeshua). Luke 1:26-27.
4. Angels announced to Shepherds the birth of Jesus our Lord and Savior. Luke 2:13-14.
5. An angel directed the child to flee to Egypt. Matthew 2:13-20.
6. Angels ministered to Jesus at His temptation. Matthew 4:11.
7. An angel came to Jesus in Gethsemane. Luke 22:43.
8. Angels rolled the stone away at His tomb. Matthew 28:2.

9. And announced His physical – bodily resurrection. Matthew 28:5-7.

10. Two angels presented Him to Mary Magdalene. John 20:11-14.

Jesus said of Angels

1. Angels ascending and descending upon Himself. John 1:51.

2. Could have twelve legions of angels to deliver Him. Matthew 26:23.

3. Angels will come with Him, 2<sup>nd</sup> coming. Matthew 25:312; Mark 8:38; Luke 9:26.

4. Angels will be the reapers. Matthew 13:39.

5. Angels will gather the elect. Matthew 24:31.

6. Angels shall sever the wicked from the righteous. Matthew 13:41, 49.

7. Angels carried the beggars to Abraham's bosom (paradise.) Luke 16:22.

8. Angels rejoice of the repentance of sinners. Luke 15:10.

9. Little children have guardian angels. Matthew 18:10.

10. Jesus confesses to His people before the angels. Luke 12:8.

11. Angels have no sex and cannot die. Luke 20:35-36; Matthew 22:30.

12. The devil has evil angels. Matthew 24:41.

Jesus himself said these things about angels. His statements are so specific, so varied and so abundant that do you reject His words to be true or false. Many Christians do, even church members say I believe.

13. That God has changed His way and pattern of working and doing because this is almost 2017. Oh, I know God can't or doesn't do that anymore. Not in this age, will man's unbelief change the Father? Has God's nature changed? Has His character changed? Has His power decreased? Has

His ability weakened? Is this great sin of unbelief and ignorance? God says I am Yahweh. I change not in Malachi 3:6. Jesus said "I am, I am, I am" the same yesterday, today and forever. (Hebrews 13:6-8).

Beloved the law of gravity changes not look at the constellations, it is amazing to me. Some say they believe all the Holy Scriptures (the Bible) yet say God does not speak today. He does not heal; does not save—deliver, does not visit, does not raise the dead today. He has ceased man's belief, hinders, and blocks. Angels do not visit people today. Yet God can't, but the devil can talk and can do this and that?

I have heard testimonies of some raised from the dead more times Brother Crockett and I have ministered to a few people dying I rebuked and bound the spirit of death, other lived. Read Matthew 18; Luke 10:17-19 and Mark 11:22-28.

Even the very laws of nature teach us, speaks to us constantly, day and night the polarity in all things. There is light then there is darkness. There is good, there is evil. There is sin, there is righteousness. There is up and there is down. There is positive and there is negative.

There are even many good loving Christians who do not believe all of God's words in the Bible today. "God does not do what He did in the day's of The Apostolic Church 1<sup>st</sup> Century. Why doesn't He? Among the unbeliever does the ocean, the sea, the rain, does pain, does sorrow, does grief exist?

Has Yahweh, Has Jesus our Lord; has the Holy Spirit ceased to be who and what they are? Do angels and demons still work? Does the sun seem to rise and night cometh? Are all the constellations still in orbit? Is joy and hope still alive? Is Jesus

still I Am the life and resurrection and the bread of life? Is the scripture true? God so loved the whole of mankind that He sent His Son Jesus Christ, not Muhammad, not Buddha, not the holy prophets Moses, Enoch, Job and Daniel. But Jesus to die for sins of the world and rose literally, bodily from the dead. He is now alive forever more. St. John 3:16-20; Ephesians 2; Acts 4:12; II Peter 1:18-24; Romans 1:16-17. The Gospel of Christ is the only hope for all mankind.

#### The Apostles of the Lord Jesus

1. The angels of Jesus open prison doors for the apostles.
2. The angels directed Philip to the Ethiopian. Acts 8:20
3. Angels release Peter from prison. Acts 12: 7-9
4. Was called His angel, Peter's angel. Acts 12:15
5. The angel of the Lord struck Herod dead. Acts 12:23
6. The angel directed Cornelius to send for Peter. Acts 10:3
7. The angel stood by Apostle Paul during the storm. Acts 27:13

#### The Epistles

1. There are elect angels. I Timothy 5:21
2. Angels are innumerable. Hebrews 12:22; Revelation 5:11
3. Angels minister to heirs of Salvation. Hebrews 1:13-14; are there only heirs today?
4. Angels will come with Jesus on flaming fire. II Thessalonians 1:7
5. We are never to worship angels. Angels of God will never accept worship. Devil and demons will. Colossians 2:18; Revelations 22:8-9
6. Did you know angels directed the writing of Revelation of Jesus Christ to John on

the Isle of Patmos. Revelation 1:1

7. Some churches have guardian angels of God. Revelation 1:20-2:2-12 18; 3:1-7,14
8. Revelation mostly draws from angels of God as well as Holy Spirit.

#### Order of Angels

1. There are different types of angels organized into principalities, powers, thrones and dominions. Romans 8:18; Ephesians 1:21-3:19; Colossians 1:16; 2:15; I Peter 3:22
  - A. "Michael": The archangel, Great Prince and God's chief and most powerful general warring angel. Daniel 10:13; 12:1. He contended with the devil over the body of Moses. Jude 1:9; Revelation 12:7
  - B. "Gabriel": seem to be primarily chief messenger, prince general. He is the announcer of John the Baptist's birth and Jesus' birth. Matthew 1:21-24; Matthew 2:13, 19. He was sent to Daniel with a special message and revelation for God's people and end time events. Daniel 9
  - C. There is a hierarchy and order, positions, assignments of angels of God. All angels do not have the same bodily appearance, size or shape.
    1. Cherubim's protector of the Throne of God.
    2. Seraphim's "six wings creatures: Worship angels, before the Throne of God day and night. Isaiah 6; Revelation 4; onward
  - D. Warrior angels made for warring. Some 100 feet tall, size gigantic, suited war armor.
  - E. Ministering or guardian angels
  - F. Earthly angels spend their time mostly on Earth. They look as regular humans. Many people have been entertained by angels unaware. Romans 13
  - G. Jesus said in the resurrection of the just,

the redeemed will be as angels of God. Luke and Matthew will be like Jesus was in real physical body, flesh and bone. Luke 24:49-52

#### Resurrected Being

H. In the resurrection of the righteous we will be like him, having a glorified body and spirit of the resurrected Christ. "Feel me Jesus said to Thomas, with His disciples He ate fish with them. After Jesus resurrection many of the bodies of the Saints arose. They also went into the city, Jerusalem, and appeared, appeared unto many." Matthew 27:50-53, yes it is true.

I. The angel that visited and appears to John in the Book of Revelation is John the Baptist. Message 102:4-5: "I am your fellow servant. I am John the Baptist. I am resurrected. I gave the revelation and the vision of the churches to John the Beloved in his day. In its fulfillment, you will see much has passed and much more to come."

Were the resurrected prophets of God raised with Christ? Yes, they were read Revelation 20:8-10 and 22:8-10. No wonder Jesus said John the Elias must 1st come and 2<sup>nd</sup> time to restore all things. Read and study deeply in prayer in order for the Scriptures to be fulfilled and found to be true. John must come again in the spirit and power of Elijah (Elias) and the end time restore all things. Matthew 17:10-13.

J. This is why it says there was not a greater prophet born of a woman than John the Baptist. Luke 1:17-76; Matthew 11:11. He is called the prophet of the Highest. Jesus said of John's ministry and mission that no one, not any prophet is greater than John. Why? Jesus said he is more than a prophet: Matthew 11 and Luke 7. Elias must first come: Malachi 3:1-4:6. He will come: Revelation 14:6-18:1. Yes, I know

your traditions say otherwise. This is man's teaching. Why don't you search the Scripture? Go to Jesus in humble prayer to be convinced or know otherwise. Jesus is risen with a real body, glorified immortal flesh and bone baring the spirit of Christ the risen Lord. Will you cast it off and laugh and search it out: Matthew 7:7; Isaiah 8:20; Galatians, Jeremiah 33:1-3; John 15-17. Yes, I know many false prophets, false teachers but Jesus said Watch: Matthew 24. I know the revelation says of Jesus in Revelations to John on Patmos. If anyone adds to this revelation or prophesy I will do what?

K. But you know He also says if anyone take away from this prophesy (as Jesus to reveal your angel?) Disregard this prophesy. What all God says must surely come to pass. This angel must come: Revelation 14:6 and Malachi 4:5. Our unbelief will not stop God of fulfilling all He says.

Every Christian has an angel assigned to them: Matthew 18.

Love you, Brother Lee

## Articles

### Thankfulness

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Here are a few Bible scriptures on Thankfulness and praise in this season of Thanksgiving and Christmas. I thought you might like these. I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving, and may your Christmas be blessed.

I Thessalonians 5:28 "In every thing

give thanks; for this is the will of God, in Christ Jesus concerning you.”

Philippians 4:6 “Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known unto God.”

Psalms 7:17 “I will praise the Lord according to his righteousness; and will sing praise to the name of the Lord most high.”

Psalms 107: 1 “O give thanks unto the Lord, for his is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.”

Ephesians 5:20 “Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

James 1:17 “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.”

Psalms 100:1-5 “Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. 2) Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing. 3) Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. 4) Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. 5) For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.”

Psalms 50:14 “Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High.”

Isaiah 12:1 “And in that day thou shalt say, O Lord, I will praise thee; though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.” (Please read the rest of the chapter.)

Hebrews 13:15 “By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continu-

ally, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.”

Psalms 116:12 “What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?”

Colossians 3:15 “And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.”

II Corinthians 2:14 “Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

Psalms 31:19 “Oh how great is thy goodness. Which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!”

Let us praise God in Thanksgiving like The Record of the Nephites states in the Book of Alma 34:37-38 “And now, my beloved brethren. I desire that ye should remember these things, and that ye should no more deny the coming of Christ; 38) That ye contend no more against the Holy Ghost, but that ye receive it, and take upon you the name of Christ; that ye humble yourselves even to the dust, and worship God, in whatsoever place ye may be in, in Spirit and in truth; and that ye live in thanksgiving daily, for the many mercies and blessing which he doth bestow upon you.”

Let us Rejoice to stand together! Praise God for all our blessing! “Let there be peace in your gatherings and the weakness will turn to love and strength. Arise from lethargy. Swing wide the gate. Let the Lord’s people come all the way to this plan of deliverance—receive a new heart and abundance of God’s Spirit and deliverance will be made sure.” Message 107:13.

## Do You Still Believe in the Church Christ With the Elijah Message?

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Yes, amen not only do I believe "I know" by the spirit of God and the many miracles that has been wrought by the hand of God in my life. My Savior has given me many things to rise and praise his Holy name for. "Yea, I know that I am nothing: as to my strength I am weak; therefore I will not boast of myself, but I will boast of My God, for in his strength I can do all things; yea behold, many mighty miracles we have wrought in this land, for which we will praise HIS name for ever. Therefore let us Glory, yea, we will glory in the Lord. Yea, we will rejoice, for our Joy is full, yea we will praise our God forever. 16)... Behold, who can glory too much in the Lord? Yea, who can say too much of his great power, and of his mercy, and of his long suffering towards the children of men? Behold, I say unto you, I cannot say the smallest part, which I feel." Alma 26:12, 16)

Yes, I believe in the angel Message sent in our day, by John the Baptist, by the divine orders of our heavenly Father. I know of this truth, as I have walked in the heavenly light that comes with him from our Lord Jesus Christ and was healed from the light.

"For behold, angels are declaring it unto many at this time in our land; and this is for the purpose of preparing the hearts of the children of men for to receive his word at the time of His coming in his glory. 25) And now we only wait to hear the joyful

news declared unto us by the mouth of angels of his coming: for the time cometh, we know not how soon. Would to God that it might be in my day; but let it be sooner or later, in it I will rejoice. 26) And it shall be made known unto just and holy men, by the mouth of angels, at the time of his coming, that the words of our fathers might be fulfilled, according to that which they have spoken concerning him, which was according to the Spirit of prophecy which was in them (Alma 13:24-26)

Now let's examine this go to Matthew 11:9-19 Christ words: "But what went ye out for to see? A Prophet? yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet. 10) For this is he, whom it is written, Behold I send my Messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. 11) Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. 12) And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force 13) For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. 14) And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come. 15) He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. 16) But wherunto shall I liken this generation? ( in other words when does Elias come ? it will be in this generation that he will tell you in next verses what takes place in this generation when he send his angel Elias John the Baptist )

Now let's go to Matthew chapter 17 where Jesus gives a vision and after this verse 9 ) "And as they came down for the mountain, Jesus charged them saying: tell the vision to no man, until the son of man

be risen again from the dead. 10) And the disciples ask him, saying, why then say the scribes that Elias must first come? 11) And Jesus answered and said unto them. Elias truly shall come, and restore all things (this word SHALL means in the future yet to come ) 12) But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer of them. (ELIAS, now what did they do to him? They beheaded him so at this time John the Baptist is dead. But Jesus speaks about him as he Shall come and what? Restore all things Christ is telling them they will do the same thing to him. What was that? KILL HIM. Please notice this in verse 13) 13) Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.” What, how can this be when John the Baptist is dead?”

Well let's go to Matthew 27: 50-53 this is after our savior crucifixion. “Jesus when he had cried again with a loud voice, yield up the ghost. 51) 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; 52) And the graves were opened; and Many bodies of the saints which slept arose. 53) And came out of the graves after his resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared unto many.” Now wouldn't you say if John the Baptist was the greatest born of woman and yet he has to come as Elias before the great and dreadful day of the Lord. Jesus told us in his words that Elias must first come and also announce to his disciples that he shall come and again. This was after John the Baptist was beheaded. Jesus says he shall come again. Do you need more?

Let's go to Luke 1:76 “And thou child

(speaking to Elizabeth, John the Baptist mother and Zacharias, John the Baptist father) being filled with the Holy Ghost prophesied concerning his son: and thou child shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the LORD to prepare his WAYS.” This is verse 76 but please read the whole prophesy that Zacharias spoke under the influence of the Holy Ghost in verses 67- 79.

Now let's go back to the old testament Malachi 3:1-3 “Behold I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me; (remember what was said in Luke, about preparing the ways before Christ?) and 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. (The Lord said he would send his messenger and he shall prepare the way before me, and then shall the Lord suddenly come to his temple, with his messenger. Why the coming of Elijah or Elias before the coming of the Lord? Read on to verses 2- 2-4). Let's now go to Malachi 4. It would be good to read the whole chapter but here let's go to verses 5-6. “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: (great for some dreadful for others) 6) And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.”

In the Word of the Lord brought to mankind by an angel, John the Baptist, is the end time working of THE RESURRECTED John the Baptist, the fore runner of Jesus. It is to prepare a people to set up the kingdom of God here on earth and to bring all mankind to the fullness of the

Gospel. Message 85:29 “I come fulfilling and to do His will. This is the Assured way, the Elijah message. The curse is lifted as belief and obedience comes.”

Message 93: 3 “The midnight cry is on. Hear, O ye ends of the earth ‘Come,’ The Lord and the word saith, ‘Come all the way and deliverance will be yours.’ You will stand in Holy places and inherit the will of the Lord. The kingdom and dominion shall be the inheritance of the humble and righteous.”

I will finish with Message 116:9 "Faith, Repentance, the Baptisms, teaching Jesus Christ and His atoning Blood in redemption, that salvation will come to all that hear and obey the full plan as taught in the Bible, The Record of the Nephites, and the Word of the Lord, the words I bring as the Angel of God. I am His messenger, a resurrected being. I am John the Baptist, I am the Elias.”

Yes, indeed I know of these truths. Take time to read Acts. 7:51-53 “Ye stiff necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye. 52) Which of the prophets have not your father’s persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers: 53) Who have received the law by the disposition of Angels, and have not kept it.” When they heard these things they were cut to the heart and they gnashed on him with their teeth, but he being full of the Holy Ghost looked up steadfastly into heaven and saw the Glory of God.

Also read Galatians 3:19 Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was

ordained by Angels in the hand of a mediator.” Now a mediator is not a mediator of one but God is one.

Let rejoice to stand together. God bless each one and keep us in his care.

## Description of the Messenger

August 25<sup>th</sup>, 1938

Elder W. A. Draves

Inasmuch as many has asked of me to give a description of the Messenger that has visited me from time to time since October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1937, I therefore take this opportunity to describe him to the best of my limited ability in descriptive power:

He is very large in stature. He is beautifully formed with broad shoulders and deep chested. He seems as a matured man, in his prime. As for myself, I am only 5 feet, 7 inches tall and he is much taller than I, being at the least six feet or better. I can not say exactly how tall he is but I do know that he is very much taller than me and I was dwarfed when I stood beside him. He was so much larger in every way. I never saw a man so magnificently formed.

When he makes his appearance, he is surrounded by an exceeding bright white light, with a mellowing influence. When he leaves, the room remains as light as noon-day for some time.

His hair is long, going down almost touching his garment, and is becomingly arranged around his visage. There is so much light that seems to radiate from the very roots of his hairs as well as from his entire being that it give it a rather gold blended to silvery tint, altogether being

very brilliant with light. The same is true about his beard, which is rather short extending about one and one-half inches or so below his chin—making about 3 or 4 inches of beard from his mouth down. His features are large and his expression mild but very impressive. His eyes are kind, yet bright like a fiery flame

His voice is heavier than that of an ordinary man, very much in earnest. When he extended his arm over me at the time of the first visit on the morning of October 4<sup>th</sup>, 1937, it seemed as fire issued from the tips of his fingers. The time of the third visit on January 30, 1938 when he took hold of my shoulder, his influence seemed to penetrate my whole being. My shoulder pained from his touch and had given me many moments of discomfort. It hurt more when I felt resentful of his visits to me, or when I was neglectful to tell the church of these things. However I was relieved of this pain the day before we arrived at the assembly on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1938 when I felt the presence of this heavenly being near, (as witnessed by others also) when I felt healing virtue come within me.

He wears a loose robe of silvery white that extended nearly to his feet and somewhat open at his chest. He had sandals on his feet. They were of ancient style.

His presence caused me to be very weak in body; hours after he visited me I would still feel weak.

I hope this is made plain, however human word fail me to give an adequate description.

## True Meaning of Christmas

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Luke 2:1-21 “And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) [This was first census.] And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. (They went to register.) And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. (time for the baby to be born). And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger (a feed trough); because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them (Appeared and stood before them), and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid (greatly afraid). And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger (feed trough). And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to

pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste (hurried), and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child (they testified and spread the word). And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds (marveled at what they heard). But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. (Think about this how she knew her child was the Savior of the world and one day would sacrifice his life for all mankind. Mercy, what faith. I know of no stronger woman). And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them...His name was called Jesus, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.”

This, my friends, is the true meaning of Christmas according to the gospel of Luke.

May this year we think about the true meaning of Christmas and put him first in all our thoughts and rejoicing this Christmas season.

## The Sounds of Salvation

Doug Rose

Joseph creaks open the rusty stable door,  
A chorus of animals snore on the cold floor.

We'll take it, "says Joseph in a voice so  
mild"

The town is teeming with travelers wild.

The night is quite and makes not a  
sound

It seems to now know that the Savior soon  
will be found.

Joseph clears his tired throat; the  
Messiah is here.

Mary feels His heartbeat – real royalty so  
dear.

And so suddenly with barely a ripple of  
show,

God stepped down to earth into this world  
of woe.

Where we expected presidents and  
heads of state,

Only scurrying barn mice appeared to ar-  
rive late.

A band of blue-collar shepherds sud-  
denly appeared,

Without pomp or pageantry, they nosed in  
near.

In the town of Bethlehem the winds of  
change blew,

And the sounds of Salvation quietly tiptoed  
through.

Submitted by Oladawn Thompson

My father, W. A. Draves, loved poems  
and wrote many of them. I thought of him  
as I read this one. I hope you enjoy the  
meaning of this poem.

## Handmaidens

Oladawn Thompson

Missouri

Handmaidens October Meeting:

Balance after 40 dollar donation was  
\$127.23.

New Business: We are going to donate  
baked goods for Christmas to the Chil-  
dren's Noyes home. This approved and we  
are happy to do this. A date will be provide  
closer to Christmas on how many children  
and what date to take it to them. We dis-

cussed next August to buy school supplies for the children at the Noyes home.

For all those who want to take part in the coat drive, you can get your coats to Tammy Thompson or Thresa Ray. We need all coats collected before November 20 so they can be given to Tammy at our next meeting and she can take them to the ones who will give them to the homeless.

Tammy Thompson discussed the Christmas shoe boxes for the children on the Indian reservation. A list of things for each shoe box was provided. The children loves to have a card in the box. Tammy will check to see if Walmart will donate the plain white shoe boxes that they have for our gifts. We will bring our stuff we bought for the shoe boxes to our November 20th meeting as these need to be done by Thanksgiving. We will need 20 boxes so get everything on the list for a box or two and one of each item on the list for each box. This is one that our children can help with.

Tammy suggested an idea for a fundraiser. Maybe we could try Rada Cutlery. They out everything on the internet for us and our sales will go directly to them and we will make a 40% profit of every sale. We can even post on Facebook or order on line. Everyone thought this was a good idea and we discuss this more at our next meeting.

Save this date: Christmas party will be December 11, 4 p.m. at Holt local. Hope everyone is able to attend.

Tammy had a devotional. She read out of The Record of the Nephites. She read Alma 34: 17-41. She remind us to pray over everything and live in Thanksgiving daily.

Our meeting ended with a season of

prayer.

Thank you God for meeting with us today.

## Junior Department

Thresa Ray  
Missouri

### We Have So Much To Be Thankful For

The United States of America was first settled by people that came to this country for religious freedom. The first Thanksgiving Day observed in America was Dec.4, 1619 when a group of 38 English settlers arrived near what is now Charles City, Virginia. The groups charter required that their day of arrival be observed yearly as a day of thanksgiving.

The first Thanksgiving Day in New England was celebrated in Plymouth less than a year after the Plymouth Colonists (Pilgrims) settled in America. More than half of the settlers died the first dreadful winter, but, new hope was given with a good corn harvest. In 1621 they had a Thanksgiving festival that lasted for three days! Their meal included ducks, geese, turkeys, clams, eels, fish, plums, leeks, cornbread, and water cress. Also, ninety Indians attended the festival and brought five deer to add to the feast! What a grand celebration! What a time of thankfulness to God for their bounty of food!

Through the years they continued to celebrate a day of thanksgiving in this country each year! In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday of November as 'a day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father'. (a Father that loves us and does good to us.) For the next

75 years our Presidents proclaimed the last Thursday of November as Thanksgiving Day. In 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt set it on one week earlier. In 1941, Congress ruled that last Thursday of November be observed as Thanksgiving Day and would be a legal federal holiday!

So for 397 years, the people of this country have set aside a special day to “Thank God for all of His blessings and goodness” to us!

Perhaps you celebrate the day with the traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner or maybe some other special food. It is a day we get together with family and loved ones and give thanks to God for all of our blessings!

We have so much to be thankful for; our freedoms, our homes, our family and loved ones, food to eat and the comforts of home! Most importantly we have a loving God that loves us, watches over us, protects us, guides us and helps us through our good times and our challenging times. He is just a prayer away! All we have to do is call on Him and He is there for us!

Now, in December, we celebrate Christmas --the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

John 3:16 & 17 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (17) For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.

Read the beautiful story of Christ’s birth in Matthew Chapters 1 and 2 and Luke chapter 2.

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, think about all that He has done for us – because He loves each of us so much! Jesus

showed us how we should live by the example He set for us.

He even gave His life for us, dying on the cross so that by believing in, and trusting in Him we can be forgiven of our sins and we can receive eternal life. He has shown us the way. We have the inspired scriptures we can read and follow: ‘The Holy Bible’, ‘The Record of The Nephites’, and ‘The Word of The Lord, Brought to Mankind by an Angel’. He has even set up His Church by His Angel, John the Baptist, in this – the end time, so that He can return to earth

and claim His Bride – the Church.

So, Praise God from whom ALL blessings flow! We are so blessed! Be thankful and remember to show your thankfulness to God, in prayer, in gratitude, in praise, in study of His Word, in how you live your life and treat others! Bless God by blessing others!

Love in Christ,

## **Primary Department**

Joy Ellen Draves-Dreher

Christmas has taken on so many other things over the years. We have the story of Santa. We have the gift giving. These things aren’t bad in themselves, as the gift giving started with the Wise Men. But it can take away from the real meaning of Christmas.

What is Christmas all about? What happened that first Christmas? Why do we celebrate it? The Bible answers these questions in Luke 2:6-18: “And so it was that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

7) And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

8) And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9) And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

10) And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

11) For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12) And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13) And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

14) Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15) And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

16) And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17) And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18) And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.”

As we read here, Jesus, the Saviour of the world, was born. He came as a baby,

then grew to be a man that gave His life for you and me, so we could live with Him forever when we die. We celebrate His birth because of our faith in Him, and His birth was the beginning of a life-changing event—the cross. So let us celebrate Jesus’ birthday together and remember why He came.

## Christmas Acrostic

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**C** is for the Child born that night to be our light. (John 8:12)

**H** is for holy in His name. (Revelation 4:8)

**R** is for rejoice with gladness and joy. (Luke 1:14)

**I** is for Immanuel, God with us. (Isaiah 7:14 and John 1:14)

**S** is for the star that led the Wise men to Him. (Matthew 2:2)

**T** is for the truth and grace that was sent our way. (John 1:14)

**M** is for Mother Mary laying Him in swaddling clothes in the manger. (Luke 2:7)

**A** is for angels singing songs of joy. (Luke 2:14)

**S** is for salvation.

*Merry Christmas and May  
you have a Blessed New Year*

