

Lesson Given by President Warren S. Jeffs During a Visit with Family and Friends

Mohave County Jail in Kingman, Arizona at 11:35 a.m.
Sunday, March 23, 2008

*Testimony of Priesthood; There Will Be a People Prepared
to Redeem Zion; Hasten in Our Final Preparation*



President Warren S. Jeffs: Wonderful to see you. I wore my glasses this time so I could see you better. Well, hello! You just look wonderful. The light of heaven is in your eyes.

My dear brothers and sisters, I ask Heavenly Father's Spirit to be with me as I bear testimony to you that God lives, and this is the true work of God. I bear witness that Joseph Smith did see the Father and the Son; and my father, President Rulon Jeffs, is the legal successor of the Prophet Joseph Smith; and God and my father did right. I read these words of the Lord to express this testimony of the Prophet Joseph Smith:

Priesthood Articles Page 160
Revelation Through John Taylor
June 27, 1882

8. *"Thus saith the Lord God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the Ruler of the universe, whose right it is to rule in the heavens above and in the earth beneath, behold I raised up my servant Joseph Smith to introduce my Gospel and to build up my Church and establish my Kingdom on the earth;*

9. *"And I gave unto him wisdom and knowledge and revelation, and intelligence pertaining to the past; the present and the future, even to that extent which was not known among men;*

10. *"And I endowed him with power from on high and conferred upon him the Priesthood of Aaron and also the Priesthood of Melchizedek, which is after the order of the Son of God, even the holiest of all, and after the power of endless life, and administereth forever in this world and in the world to come.*

11. *"He was called and ordained to this office before the world was. He was called by me; and empowered by me, and sustained by me to*

introduce and establish my Church and Kingdom upon the earth;

12. *"And to be a Prophet, Seer and Revelator to my Church and Kingdom; and to be a King and Ruler over Israel.*

13. *"He was slain for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God; but he yet lives, and is with me where I am.*

I bear that testimony also of the word of God, that the testimony of Lorin and John Woolley is true, that they met Joseph Smith the Prophet as the resurrected being, September 27, 1886, in the presence of the Prophet John Taylor, and Joseph Smith is the One Mighty and Strong continuing the setting in order of the house of God, and he works through each Keyholder of Priesthood to perform that greater mission of raising up a people for the redemption of Zion. I bear testimony that there will be a people prepared from among this Priesthood people who will redeem Zion in fulness. We must now set in order ourselves and our houses. Volume 3 page 48 of father's sermons, father said these words:

Rulon Jeffs 3:48 October 22, 1972 Sandy, Utah

So, brothers and sisters, we should be earnestly seeking to be about the Lord's business; for every bearer of the holy Priesthood should be busily engaged in the Lord's business. The Lord's business, as far as each and every Elder is concerned, is to set in order his house, his family, to bring up his wives and his children in light and truth, and inspire in them a burning love and loyalty for this Priesthood and work, that it might be their whole life.

That is the work we are involved with. Quoting the words of the Lord to John Taylor:

And let My Priesthood humble themselves before me, and seek not their own will but my will; for if my priesthood, whom I have chosen and called, and endowed with the spirit and gifts of their several callings, and with the powers therof, do not acknowledge me I will not acknowledge them, saith the Lord; for I will be honored and obeyed by my priesthood.

And, then, I call upon My Priesthood and upon all of my people, to repent of all their sins and shortcomings, of their covetousness and pride and self-will, and of all their iniquities wherein they sin against me; and to seek with all humility to fulfill my law, as my priesthood, my Saints and my people; and I call upon the heads of families to put their houses in order according to the Law of God, and attend to the various duties and responsibilities associated therewith, and to purify themselves before me, and to purge out iniquity from their households.

And I will bless and be with you, saith the Lord, and ye shall gather together in your holy places wherein ye assemble to call upon me, and ye shall ask for such things as are right, and I will hear your prayers and my spirit and power shall be with you and my blessings shall rest upon you, upon your families, your dwellings and your households, upon your flocks and herds and fields, your orchards and vineyards, and upon all that pertains to you; and you shall be my people and I will be your God; and your enemies shall not have dominion over you, for I will preserve you and confound them, saith the Lord, and they shall not have power nor dominion over you; for my words shall go forth, and my work shall be accomplished, and my Zion shall be established, and my rule and my power and my dominion shall prevail among my people, and all nations shall yet acknowledge Me. Even so, Amen. (Gospel Kingdom, p. 390).

The Lord has said great are the blessings awaiting a prepared people, and I quote from a revelation of John Taylor, May 1884, the Lord's words, what is ahead of that prepared people, as they qualify to enter into the sacred place and receive the secrets of heaven.

REVELATION given through President John Taylor in May, 1884, Logan, Utah. It was given in answer to President Taylor's inquiry if the Lord had accepted the Logan Temple dedication. Revelations pertaining to the past, the present and the future are promised.

3. *"And inasmuch as it shall be preserved pure, and not be defiled, my presence shall be there, even the power of my Spirit, the Gift of the Holy Ghost; which shall be in this house hereafter more fully understood;*

4. *"And I will acknowledge the ordinances which shall be administered therein, both for the living and the dead;*

5. *"And my blessings shall attend the administration of the ordinances and shall rest upon those who administer therein; inasmuch as they comply with the order and institutions of my house, and act with purity and singleness of heart before me, according to my word, my ordinances and my law;*

6. *"And this house shall be a house of prayer, a house of learning, a house of God, wherein many great principles pertaining to the past, to the present and the future shall be revealed, and my word and my will be made known;*

7. *"And the laws of the Universe, pertaining to this world and other worlds be developed;*

8. *"For in these houses which have been built, I will reveal the abundance of those things pertaining to the past, the present and the future, to the life that now is, and the life that is to come, pertaining to law, order, rule, dominion and government, to things affecting this nation and other nations;*

9. *"The laws of the heavenly bodies in their times and seasons, and the principles or laws by which they are governed, and their relation to each other, and whether they be bodies celestial, terrestrial, or telestial, shall all be made known as I will, saith the Lord;*

10. *"For it is my will and my purpose to place my people in closer communion with the heavens, inasmuch as they will purify themselves and observe more diligently my law, for it is in mine*

heart to greatly bless and exalt my people, and to build up, exalt and beautify my Zion, inasmuch as they shall observe my law. Even so, Amen."

I ask the Lord to bless this Priesthood people to hasten in their final preparation, to become clean every whit, pure in heart, by doing all you do through the power of prayer and the Spirit of God. Just know that when you have the Holy Spirit, you pray always the rejoicing prayer of oneness, living to bless and acting on the blessing with an eye single to the glory of God. I ask the Lord to allow father and others of the Prophets to come among you. If my presence away from you is doing better than among you, may the Lord prosper you.

Visitors: We need you. We cannot go on without you.

President Warren S. Jeffs: Hasten our preparation. May He bless the young people with strength. Great is the mission that awaits you to administer the ordinances of the Priesthood -- seek them for themselves, and then administer the blessings of the Priesthood to the Ten Tribes. I love you all, and ask the Lord to bless you all, in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

I just wanted to give that message first. I just want father's approval and the Lord's in all I do, okay?

Visitor: And that is what we want, too -- yours and father's approval.

President Warren S. Jeffs: Oh, that I could tell you what I have been through. But I am smiling. I wore my glasses so I could see you better. Beautiful. Wow, you are wonderful. I have just been a-singing lately. You know, all the songs you and they have sent me on those cards. It has just been amazing. Thank you very much.

I have been praying fervently for deliverance. Let us exert our faith that it will be so, and we will see what the Lord does with me. Anything else I need to know?

Visitor: We wondered how your meals are.

President Warren S. Jeffs: For lunch, bologna, cheese, and bread. For breakfast I have oatmeal or cornflakes with bread, or, like this morning, they gave me potatoes and eggs. I just ate a little. Dinners are either noodles or beans.

Once a week I have chicken, and last night I had a hamburger.

Visitor: We made fish for you last night.

President Warren S. Jeffs: And I have some commissary. My cell is 7' by 12'. Any other questions?

Visitor: Is your bed softer?

President Warren S. Jeffs: Yes, it is a little softer. I have pillows that I can kneel on. Thank you for coming, I hope it is worth your time of travel.

Visitors: We would walk all the way here if we needed to. We are here for you.

President Warren S. Jeffs: I hope to call there. Tell them to pray fervently. Maybe you can listen. I hope to call -- whatever the Lord allows.

Visitors: Can we see your knees?

President Warren S. Jeffs: They are bandaged. They put padding on them so I can kneel. I got sores on the knees from kneeling so long.

Anything I can do for you? I love all of you. Tell everybody I love them. How is my haircut?

Make sure your testimonies are bright and you are filled with the Spirit of God. Anything else?

Visitor: Do you get to walk outside at all?

President Warren S. Jeffs: I walk in a yard about forty foot by forty foot, and the sun shines in about a twenty by twenty foot, and I just walk in the sunshine. Do I look like I have got any sunshine?

Visitor: A little bit.

President Warren S. Jeffs: But not too much. I get a shave about every other day.

Visitor: Do the lights go out at night?

President Warren S. Jeffs: Partly. They are dimmed a little, but they have them on all night, and I am on camera all the time. But I behave.

Visitor: It is so good to see your smile.

President Warren S. Jeffs: Tell them I am smiling.

Visitor: How much do you weigh?

President Warren S. Jeffs: 1-5-0. I got down to 143, 150 right now. Once in awhile I get little snacks, peanuts, or whole grain fruit bars.

I recommend for a reading, read Mediation and Atonement, chapters 18, 19, and 21 together. In this reading you will see the greatness of our Savior -- for people to read on their own, or as a group.

WOW!!!! You are all wonderful! Thank you, thank you, thank you for everything. God bless you all. And everything else. You are amazing. Anything else you want to tell me?

Visitor: We feel your yearnings, and we just want to bless you, and be a sweet heavenly comfort, bring joy to your sweet, perfect heart.

President Warren S. Jeffs: I just want father's will done. If I am a burden, I pray the Lord will see fit to send forth deliverance in His way. Your cards are so encouraging. The pictures of the children are enlivening. The last letters I got were dated the 16th, so you know about how long it takes to get them to me. I have not received any this week.

Tell everybody I love them. You are all a great strength. I need to know if your prayer groups are sweet? Are your prayers shorter? I hope they are more effective. No need for long group prayers. I just want to please Heavenly Father and father.

What time is it? Wow, this is marvelous. This is a miracle.

[Holding up his Priesthood Articles book.] They only let me have soft-bound books. They only let me have a few books in my cell. I may read to the young people later today if I can. I have a Triple, this, and a Teachings. Uncle Roy's they bound four books in one, volume 5 through 8.

Visitor: We just love you so much.

President Warren S. Jeffs: Oh, if only I could tell you what I have been through. I am praying you will all be filled with the Spirit of God, be full of the Holy Ghost. Father wants you with him. No more selfish emotions. No more looking back. Continually dwell in the heavenly fire. Pray night and day for deliverance until deliverance comes. We must be alive in our preparation. The young people need to be converted and alive in the spiritual gifts, and they must love Heavenly Father more than any earthly things. Wherever you are willing to lose the Spirit of God, that is where you love earthly things more than God. We must overcome our fallen nature and come to the oneness of heaven.

I ask the Lord to strengthen you all, to be His people. Oh, let us believe and live as we have been taught. Know that our Savior and His sacrifices and sufferings is the central event of our faith. The keys of the Priesthood are here on earth, and I am determined to carry on.

[Got tissues out of his pocket, told us he folds six squares together to make his "Kleenex."]

Visitor: Do you get bottled water?

President Warren S. Jeffs: No, but I get a glass. I am encouraged, and I want all of you to be encouraged. I yearn to be among you, to teach and train, as the Lord allows. May the Lord bless you all, I pray, in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

You said you wanted to see me, and here I am. You two look like twins.

[The door opened] God bless you. I guess they are here to get me. [He told us to follow him, looking through each window. He turned before going out the door, winked and blew us a kiss.]

Lesson Given by President Warren S. Jeffs During a Visit with Family and Friends

Mohave County Jail in Kingman, Arizona at 3:20 p.m.
Wednesday, March 26, 2008

*This Is the Time to Choose to Be Chosen; Messages to
Older Sons and Daughters; Greater Experiences Are
Ahead, and Great Blessings Await the Faithful*

President Warren S. Jeffs: The light of heaven is in your eyes. That is wonderful. That is what I wanted to see. We could just stare at each other, couldn't we? I wore my glasses today, so I could see you better. [He took off his glasses and said:] But this is what I look like.

Oh, I am so glad to see you. I just can't tell you how glad I am to see you. [Holding up his wrist and showing us his picture] Here is my mug shot.

Visitor: Many people want that picture.

Visitor: We want you.

President Warren S. Jeffs: Greater faith, greater faith.

I seek Heavenly Father's Spirit to guide my words with whatever message He wants given for me and all of you. The Lord will have a prepared and faithful people, and this is my testimony. Get and keep the Holy Spirit of God. This is the time to choose to be chosen. We must set aside our selfish will, and be alive in the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Message to Older Sons

I give this message to my older sons: Be grateful for the blessings you have. Show up for your mealtimes and be grateful for what is served. Don't try to sneak special snacks. Get permission for what you take or use. Be sure to report in to the Presiding Elder about the details of your lives. I would like to know that your mealtimes are quiet and prayerful, and be more grateful for what is served.

Work with those over you about your clothing, and take care of the blessings you have. Be on the job early, be a strength for good, and be home at night. Above all, make sure your testimony is growing bright. You little realize how blessed you are, and know the Lord is choosing. You need a testimony, young men, strong and true. You need to

know what it means to be filled with the Spirit of God. Keep your minds on Heavenly Father and live your testimony, and do the will of the presiding Priesthood authority. Be morally clean in mind and body. Be prepared for Priesthood and the Celestial Law. Don't wander among the ladies' areas. Stay in your areas, or where you go to eat, and be on the job. You who do school, get your studies done quickly, and then try to be a help on the projects.

The Lord needs good, clean young men who can stand in the presence of God, filled with the Holy Spirit. What good is all your earthly comforts and blessings, your pleasures, if you do not have the qualification of the Spirit of God burning within? You were not sent to be a good gentile. You were sent pure Israel, which means Priesthood, and filled with the Spirit of God. The Lord loves His people, but He must choose, and our time is short. We don't have time to waist.

Just because you are part of a good people does not mean you are qualifying.

God bless you, dear sons. I am praying for you, in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

[Warren then looked at a short "thank you" note for the prison staff. It said we brought them some fruit-filled cookies. He told us that they probably would not let us do it, but we could try. He looked at some pictures and read a note.]

President Warren S. Jeffs: Thank you for coming to see me and for letting me see you. You are all so wonderful. Thank you, thank you. Wow. How much time do I have?

Response: Twenty minutes

Message to Older Daughters

President Warren S. Jeffs: My dear sweet older daughters: I love you and ask the Lord to

guide my words, and that the Lord will continue to watch over you through your life and preserve you for the Celestial Law. You must be clean and pure, filled with the Spirit of God. You need to make the spiritual growth all-important in your life. Take on a meek, quiet, and humble spirit. Don't gossip, don't accuse. Learn at this age to sacrifice selfish desires. Bless others more. Learn every skill of motherhood at this age. Become a blessing to everyone. We are counting on you being Zion increasingly. Young eyes are watching you how to be sisters in the great work of God. Set a good example all the time. Be always on duty, living to bless and build up all others.

Obey the caretakers over you. Learn to pray always, and stay morally clean. Know how to comb your hair, take a shower every day, wear clean clothes, have proper hygiene. Keep Heavenly Father in all your thoughts. Pray for the privilege to live the Celestial Law, and pray you will be given to a faithful Priesthood man who can exalt you. Seek the face of the Lord; pray to be part of the fulness of Zion. A day of greater want and hunger and of need is coming upon the nation. We all need more of the Spirit of God. I am counting on you. Stay close to home. Be a strength to the family. I love you, God bless you, in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

I seek Heavenly Father's Spirit to continue with me. Dear brothers and sisters, pray and pray. Be that people the Lord can use to redeem Zion. Keep your goals as high as the Lord's, and become like Him. Rejoice in Him, adore His character, delight in His approval. His holy love, His inspired feelings will guide you and lead you from rejoicing to rejoicing. Be ye one, filled with the Holy Ghost. Celestial oneness is to be like God. The love of God is oneness in action. I love you all and ask the Lord to bless you. Be encouraged. Keep sweeter and sweeter. I say this with a smile. Smile father's smile. Live in the law of sacrifice.

Shine bright, dear ones, shine bright. Great blessings await the faithful; thus great tests and trials and great experience is coming upon the people. Learn to live from rejoicing to rejoicing. Now pray night and day for deliverance, asking the Lord to open the way that we can be together again in the Lord's time and way. Let there be no bad feelings. Be at your duties. Live in the increase of

the Spirit of God as your most important project. My testimony is still the same: God lives, Joseph Smith was visited by the Father and the Son, and my father was his legal successor and is still guiding this work; and God and my father did right and do right.

God bless the presiding brethren. Everyone check in with the Presiding Elder and be a strength to the work of God. Let everyone conserve, only use what you need, of food and clothing. Be a strength to the storehouse. I am able to read the newspaper at times, and great are the events among the nations. This nation is going into great distress, and your conveniences may not be around soon. That will be the time your hearts are revealed -- what do you love most? Stand faithful and true. As John Y. Barlow said, "Stand at the rack, hay or no hay." Make sure you are learning the Spirit of God.

I ask the Lord to bless you with His sweet inspiration and sweet dreams of Zion. Keep sweeter and sweeter above all. I am here to do the will of my father and thus Heavenly Father, the Lord helping me, only wanting their will in my life, dedicating all unto them. And may the Lord's Zion rise. I am encouraged in the Lord. I yearn for all this Priesthood people to be blessed, and ask His blessing upon all in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

~~The light of heaven is in your eyes, and that is~~ very encouraging to me. That is what I was hoping to see. I was going to sing a song to you, but they would not let me bring my card in.

Visitor: Did you write it?

President Warren S. Jeffs: No, I just felt like singing a song to you. God bless you be an example of heavenly service, of loving devotion, spread sweet smiles, shining bright eyes.

Oh, I am just so grateful to see you. Any questions? I just have a few minutes before they will come and get me.

[The guard came to get him] God bless you. I have to go.

Visitors: We love you.

[Warren waved to us, turned around as he got to the door and winked.]