

Men whom the lust of office does
not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office can-
not buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have honor; men who will
not lie,
Men who can stand before a dema-
gogue
And damn his treacherous flatteries
without winking;
Tall men, sun crowned, who live
above the fog
In public duty and private thinking!"

I pray the Lord to bless the mem-
ory of President Joseph F. Smith
and his posterity. His works will
live after him. He has left an im-
pression upon the Church that will
be enduring. I had the deepest love
and the greatest admiration for him
during his life, and I regret that I
did not let him know at least a frac-
tional part of the love and admira-
tion I had for him and his ministry
and the things he accomplished.
May the Lord bless his memory
and bless us that we may follow the
good example he set for us, I pray
in the name of Jesus. Amen.

ELDER LEVI EDGAR YOUNG

(Of the First Council of Seventy).

I bear you my testimony, my
brethren and sisters, that all that
has been said this day in reference
to the character of President Joseph
F. Smith is quite true.

I look upon a man as great when
he stands for great principles; and
that is the standard by which we
should judge people. When people
stand for principle, and know by
their faith in God that the principle
is true, it is always a mark of true
greatness; and when a man links up
his life with God, becomes one with
God, and he and God are friends,
you may depend upon it you have
the truest standard of greatness that
can be possibly created.

The glorious thing to me in the
life of President Joseph F. Smith
was not only his wonderful strength
of character, his true conception of
life, his splendid idealism of re-
ligion and his great faith in God;
but his living the divine injunction
"unless ye can become as a little
child ye cannot enter the kingdom
of heaven." He was great in his
power to understand life and to see
God. His faith was one of the most
sublime things I ever knew. He
never compromised with wrong or
with evil in any form. Man to him
is free, but free to do right, not free
to do wrong. I remember a state-
ment that he once made concerning
the meaning of liberty which I shall
never forget. Said he: "Liberty is
obedience to just law." That to me
is one of the most wonderful ideas
concerning liberty and American-
ism that I have ever heard. Obe-
dience to law is liberty. What kind
of law? Law that is founded on
truth. Law that is an expression of
God's will to his people. Therefore,
he was very democratic. He was
very loving of his fellow man. How
true it was that he showed his love
for God because he loved his fellow
men so much. He feared no man.
He loved his God, and with his
great linking of truth with God's
truth, he lived a truly inspiring life.
Standing upon the principle of right
living, he truly entered the kingdom
of heaven. "Unless ye become as a
little child, ye cannot know God."
To me he was very great, very cour-
ageous, very brave, very true, and
above all, he was the child of God.
He looked up, and with sublime
faith made his life divine.

May we see the beauty of his life,
the truth of his words, the greatness
of his soul, the magnanimity of his
spirit, his great relationship to God.
Amen.