

Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. (Matt. 7:16-20).

I am sure that anyone who can see the fruits of Mormonism today cannot help but agree with us that the tree is good.

I have rejoiced greatly in this conference.

We are having wonderful success in the Mexican Mission. As I reported to you six months ago, we are limited to one lone stake to furnish the missionaries who may serve in the Mexican Mission. I believe that Mexico is the only nation in all the world which requires of its ministers that they be native-born citizens of the country before they are allowed to preach the Gospel; therefore we are very much alarmed. I said to one of the bishops of the Juarez Stake yesterday: "If you have any more sixty-six year old men who can come into the mission field and do like one of the missionaries of that age who is now working in the Mexican Mission, send them along."

When this brother arrived in the mission field, Sister Anderson said: "Please do not send him out into the country to work with the rest of the boys, keep him here in the city where I can look after him. He is too old to go out and preach the Gospel."

He was quite offended when I told him that Sister Anderson wanted to keep him under her wing. He said: "I can take it along with any of the boys."

I appreciate the leadership we have in the Church today and the excellent spirit that exists, and I do know that we have the authority of God to preach his Gospel here in the world. May he bless us and help us at all times, I pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### PRESIDENT HEBER J. GRANT

I know we can stand a selection by the choir, and inasmuch as we are to have "The Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah," by the choir, I am prolonging the meeting a little. I know that you will wait to hear this selection.

#### REGARDING AGE

I rejoice in the remarkable and splendid Conference we have had. It has been a source of sorrow to me to be absent part of the time. I am feeling fine, physically. Speaking of old age, Brother Charles W. Penrose lacked only a few weeks of being seventy-five when he came to Liverpool to preside over the European and British Missions, and he performed—at least the missionaries did during his administration—many more baptisms than did Francis M. Lyman and Heber J. Grant. Brother

Penrose was there three years, and we had five years. So you must not think that age counts when it comes to spreading the Gospel. If they have the root of the matter in them and are healthy, just let them go out and work.

BECAUSE WE HAVE THE TRUTH

I thank the Lord for this remarkable and wonderful Conference we have had. No such conference could be held by any other people in all the wide world. Why is it that the Latter-day Saints have such a spirit with them? Why is it that every missionary who fulfills a good mission says it is the best time of his life? It is because we have the truth and they are nearer to the Lord when in the mission field than in any other place.

May the blessings of the Lord be and abide with all of you. May you go home under the inspiration of the spirit that has been with us, first, last, and all time.

I apologize to Brother Rulon S. Wells for not having him speak. Brother Wells, you know, is past eighty, and so am I. We had him speak to us in the temple, and then we asked him to speak again today, after the morning meeting, to the German Saints.

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The Choir sang "Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah," (Handel), after which the benediction was pronounced by Elder William R. Palmer, President of the Parowan Stake.

Conference adjourned for six months.

The musical exercises at the Thursday sessions were furnished by the *Relief Society Singing Mothers*, Wade N. Stephens, Conductor; at the Friday sessions by the *Nebo Stake Choir*, J. D. Christensen, Conductor; and at the Sunday sessions by the *Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir*, J. Spencer Cornwall, Conductor. The congregational singing was directed by J. Spencer Cornwall and Richard P. Condie.

Accompaniments and interludes on the great organ were played by Frank W. Asper.

Stenographic notes of the Conference were taken by Frank W. Otterstrom and Joseph Anderson.

JOSEPH ANDERSON,  
*Clerk of the Conference.*