

## PRESIDENT J. REUBEN CLARK, JR.

*First Counselor in the First Presidency*

I want to thank the brethren for their kindly cooperation in getting through as we have.

Brother Kirkham's talk brought home to me what I think in some respects is one of the most significant things that I have noticed since I came into a position of responsibility in the Church. I have been present when we have called men in and told them that we would like to have them go and preside over a mission. I have seen them color and pallor and swallow and say, "I will go." The loyalty and devotion of the people of this Church is beyond all calculation.

The principle which Brother Grant expressed to Brother Kirkham is fundamental in all our dealings, and we must never lose sight of it, brethren: Express ourselves freely in the council chamber while matters are under discussion, and then when they are decided, line up and carry on. If we ever get, in this Church, to a place where our loyalty is merely lip service, then we shall be in a serious condition. I know that the Lord will move the lip-servers out of their places.

Tomorrow morning, brethren, as we have already told you, we are to meet in the temple. We ask you to come fasting. You will enter the temple enclosure in the regular way as if you were going into the temple, through that little gate by the little house over on Main Street. The brethren will be there in the morning to welcome you at 9:20, when the gate will be opened. You will enter the temple itself by the southwest door. There will be brethren there who will show you how to get to the upper floor.

I do not speak of this very often, I do not like to, but I am getting to the age where stairs are a bit troublesome. Now there may be some of you also to whom climbing stairs is a little difficult and you would not do it just out of choice. To those of you who are like myself, I would say when you get inside the west door of the Temple if you will turn immediately to your left you will come to an elevator. A man will be on the elevator who will take you up to the fifth floor. I would like to urge those of you who do want to take the elevator to come early, because the elevator is small, carries only a few at a time, and it will therefore not be possible to move a great group of you with any considerable expedition.

Remember as you enter the temple, and I am sure you will remember, that you are entering a holy place. We would like you to go immediately to the top floor where we will have one of the brethren at the organ playing soft music for us while we wait for the time to come to commence the meeting. We ought to be in our seats by 9:50 because they will begin broadcasting from the Temple at 10 o'clock sharp. The broadcast will be the usual one on Easter Sunday morning. It will consist of a short service by us in the Temple, then the controls will go to the Tabernacle where the Tabernacle Choir will give its regular Sunday morning broadcast; then Elder Stephen L Richards will give the *Church of the Air* Easter sermon, which will likewise be broadcast from the Tabernacle. We shall hear it in the Temple so that that will be part of our service. When that is over the controls will come back to us, and we shall go forward with the rest of our service, until 12 o'clock, when we shall go off the air. We then

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count on recessing for thirty minutes, that we may rest and go to the lavatories. We will explain about them to you tomorrow.

Please, brethren, come fasting, and with a fast-day spirit.

After the recess tomorrow we shall re-assemble at 12:30 when we shall have a Fast meeting. The quorum of the Twelve will administer the sacrament to us; then we shall have testimony meeting. You brethren will be asked to take up the time in bearing your testimonies, rather than, may I say, in preaching sermons. There are a lot of you and you cannot all be heard under the best circumstances, but we hope that the spirit of testimony will rest upon you, so that no time will be wasted. We know that we shall have a glorious time. That meeting will end when it seems right to end it.

We will now close by singing, "God Be With You."

Now, brethren, it will be necessary that all of you have with you in the morning your tickets of admission. You will understand that we cannot run the risk of anybody going who should not be there.

Let me go over it again if I have made a mistake: The gates into the Temple will be opened at 9:20. Those who wish to use the elevator ought to get there at that time or as soon thereafter as possible. You all ought to be in your seats by 9:50. Our broadcast from the Temple will begin at 10 and run until 10:30, when it will be taken over by the Tabernacle Choir, which will hold it for thirty minutes, until eleven; then another thirty minutes will be used for the *Church of the Air*; then the broadcast will come back to us in the Temple at 11:30, and we will go on there until 12. Then we will be off the air. After that we will have a recess for thirty minutes until 12:30. We will re-assemble at 12:30 and have our testimony meeting, where you brethren, I repeat, will be the ones to bear your testimonies. The sacrament will be administered by the Twelve, and Brother Clawson will arrange for that in the morning.

Have I made it clear, brethren? Is there anything else?

The congregation sang the hymn, "God Be With You" (L. D. S. Hymns, page 132), words by J. E. Rankin, music by W. G. Tomer.

Elder Horace A. Hess, President of the Yellowstone Stake, offered the closing prayer.

Conference adjourned until Sunday, April 5, at 10:00 a. m.

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### MORNING MEETING

The fourth session of the Conference was held in the assembly room on the fifth floor of the Salt Lake Temple, and the meeting convened at 10 o'clock a. m.

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This is the morning session of the second day of the One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. We are meeting in the upper room of the Salt Lake Temple.