

Unbelief and Priesthood (14)

- **Benson** theme - book of Mormon (1985-1994)
- **D&C 84:54-57** (1832) - (54) darkened with unbelief, treated lightly things received (55) church under condemnation (56) rests on children of Zion (57) remain until repent and remember new covenant (Covenant = Testament) even the BofM
- Hypocrisy - We talk about it but don't do it.
- Brethren (past) - used bible to prove restoration
- **JS** upset "If nobody else will preach from BofM I will.
- **D&C 84:58-59** (58) otherwise a scourge on children of Zion (59) Question - will children of kingdom pollute holy land? No
- Have we done better today than in 1988 with condemnation?
- Individually you don't have to be condemned.
- Unbelief - how you view you with spiritual
- Faith with others but unbelief brings it to you.
- **James 1:5** - If lack wisdom, ask in faith, nothing wavering
- Unbelief is great stumbling block to progression
- **Benson** - pride great stumbling block to Zion.
- **Mormon 9:15, 20-21, 25, 27** (15) if miracles stop it's unbelief
- Am I seeing miracles? If not - dwindle with unbelief (Dwindle - diminish gradually from the original)
- Right way = righteousness (traversing the right way)
- (20) depart right way and no trust in God (21) Key - believe in Christ, doubting nothing (criteria), ask the Father and granted. (25) believe (27) In the name of JC what u stand in need.
- Doubt Not (3 times in 7 verses)
- Unbelief is not the same thing as having no faith.
- Cure - pray for the gifts of the spirit
- **Ether 4:15** rend veil of unbelief (many veils - phys body veil) symptoms - hardness of heart, blindness of mind, Break through veil (broken heart and contrite spirit) - the mysteries
- Grace - Strength and Power
- Priesthood - the power of God given to man (different levels) -
- All truths is circumsised into one great whole, not one truth sitting out there. Its part of a greater truth (different levels)
- **Scriptures** talk - rights, doctrine, keys of the Priesthood (plural)
- Priest-hood, brother-hood, neighbor-hood, mother-hood
- Hood = group or community of like minded people. Knighthood (society of knights), Fatherhood is a group of fathers etc...
- Priest-hood (group of priests).
- In heaven - society of piest (initiatory)
- **JS** - ordinances that make men priest and priestesses
- Group of people (society) - exalted M and W other side of veil.
- Power that comes from a society of priests and Priestesses
- **McConkey** (Lists 3) - priesthood, faith, Holy Spirit (not HG) = same thing. Omniscience of God (knows all things)
- Steps - move from called, to chosen, to elected, to made sure.
- **D&C 121:34-37** (34) many called but few chosen (why?)
- (35) 1- Aspire honors of men, 2- Set upon things of this world.
- (36) Rights of P (not rite) are connected with the powers of heaven (people in heaven not a thing) P of H can't be controlled only by righteousness (37) May be conferred on us it is true
- **Nelson** - come up and access something greater. Ordination - did well but not the Power of Priesthood.
- **JST Gen 14:25-40** - Rights of Priesthood (30) power by faith - break mountains, divide seas...(31) defiance of armies
- Coming day - priesthood bearers will stop armies, fire from heaven. Miracles like never before.
- If you and wife don't believe suffering from UNBELIEF
- Ordination in and of itself - has no power
- **Bednar** - priesthood injunction (command to go out and obtain)
- **D&C 121:45** - confidence wax strong in the presence of God
- Bro of Jared - "**show thyself unto me**" (confidence)
- D&C (84) Need to be doing not just talk
- Confidence is the key
- **Don't Share Experiences ---> False doctrine**
- **Matt 7:6** - cast not your pearls before swine doesn't say don't cast your pearls (spiritual experiences) Just be selective.
- **Leave Mysteries Alone - False, damning Doctrine**
- You are under a command to testify of these things.
- **Moroni 7:31-32** (2 groups) #1 chosen vessels who had experiences testify to #2 residue (others) so they can do the same.
- **3 Nephi 12:1-2** (1) after baptized and HG of fire (2) more blessed are they who believe because you testify.
- He doesn't say - keep your mouth shut. Testify
- If they didn't testify what they saw - wouldn't have 200 years of millennial peace. (not every Nephite was there)
- "**Beware of false prophets**" - it doesn't say beware of all prophets. If you have false prophets you have true prophets.
- Need somebody who's not apostle share their pearls. Starts me on the path seeking God.
- If I don't realize that I could accomplish this there is no need to seek after it. Seek for it and don't quit until I do.
- Book - The 2nd Comforter (Denver Snuffer) in 2006 - "I have seen JC. He has ministered to me
- **D&C 88** - It will be in mine own way and time and will
- **JS** - weary the Lord until he blesses you
- Lord withholds blessings to see how bad you want them.
- **Paul says** - Go boldly before the throne of grace
- In Prayer - call down the powers of heaven to be around us.
- Story about how he healed a baby chick
- The Lord notices the sparrow's fall (literally)
- Increases my confidence to raise the dead
- **SN**: Bottom line is HF wants us to be confident with him not wimpy. Unbelief is not trusting that he'll take care of you that he won't leave you alone at a dead end. Even if you're the only one there. He'll be there.

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