

# *Lesson 29: Missionaries Go to Other Nations*



**“Lesson 29: Missionaries Go to Other Nations” to Missouri,” *Primary 5: Doctrine and Covenants: Church History*, (1997), 159-66**

*Teacher's Note:*

On the next slide is a music video that you can have playing as the class gathers. It keeps looping until you hit the space bar.



# PURPOSE

- To increase your desire to be a missionary and share the gospel with others.

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# Attention Activity

Have you ever gone on a trip or vacation?

# Attention Activity

How far away from your home did you travel?

# Attention Activity

Would anyone like tell of anyone in their families who has traveled to another part of the world?

# Attention Activity

You can use the map on the next slide to point out places where they have traveled or lived.



# Attention Activity

Where have some of the missionaries you know been called to serve?



# Attention Activity

Missionary work has always been an important part of the church of Jesus Christ.

A light blue world map is centered on the page, showing the continents of North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and Australia. The map is semi-transparent and serves as a background for the text.

# Attention Activity

As the Church grew stronger in Ohio and Missouri, the Lord called missionaries to preach the gospel in other parts of the world.

# Scriptural and Historical Accounts

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When a term or phrase is mentioned, bring the paper to the front of the class and display it. (Tell them where)

# The Quorum of the Twelve Apostles Is Organized

An important part of the restoration of Jesus Christ's church was the organization of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles.

In February 1835 twelve men were called and ordained to be Apostles.

The Lord revealed to the Prophet Joseph Smith the duties of the Twelve Apostles, and the Prophet taught the Apostles what they were to do.

# The Quorum of the Twelve Apostles Is Organized

The Apostles were to be “special witnesses of the name of Christ” and go to all the world to preach the gospel and teach people about Jesus Christ (see [D&C 107:23, 33, 35](#); see also [18:28](#)).

The current Twelve Apostles have these same responsibilities, although they fulfill them differently than the first latter-day Apostles did.

# The Quorum of the Twelve Apostles Is Organized

These first Twelve Apostles traveled hundreds of miles doing missionary work and strengthening and instructing members of the Church.

Although they were responsible for the missionary work of the Church, they were not the only people who served as missionaries. Joseph Smith himself went on many short missions to states near Ohio and to Canada, and other men were called to be missionaries to areas around Kirtland, Ohio, to teach about the restoration of Jesus Christ's true church.

# The Quorum of the Twelve Apostles Is Organized

Most missionaries would go to teach for a few weeks or months, return home for a short time, and then go on another mission.

The wives and children of these missionaries remained at home and took care of the homes and farms while the men served missions.

Soon missionaries began to travel farther and serve for longer periods of time to preach the gospel to people all over the world.



Heber C. Kimball  
Goes to England



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Elder Young and Elder Kimball had very little money for their journey to England.

Between them they had \$13.50, which had been given to them by friends.



They traveled from Missouri to Kirtland by stagecoach and expected to ride only a short way before their money was gone, but when Elder Young went to his trunk to get the money to pay for the first part of their journey, he found they had enough money left to continue farther.

The same thing happened the next time, and so it continued until they reached Kirtland.



They had traveled four hundred miles by stagecoach and had spent \$87.00, even though they had only \$13.50 when they started.

Elder Young and Elder Kimball felt that the extra money must have been placed in the trunk by a heavenly messenger who knew they needed help.



As the members of the Quorum of the Twelve arrived in England, they split up and went to different areas of the country.

Wilford Woodruff went south to the area of Herefordshire, where he found many people eager to accept the gospel.

Elder Woodruff sometimes had over a thousand people attend the meetings where he was teaching.

Once a constable (law enforcement officer) came into the meeting where Elder Woodruff was teaching.

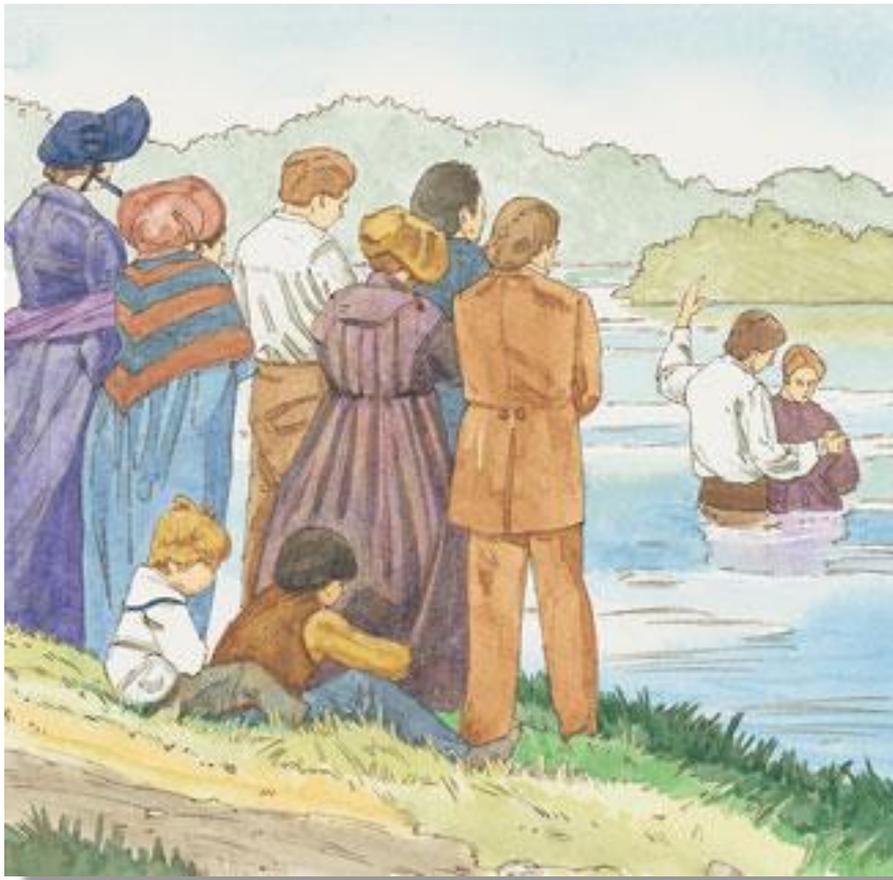
The constable said he had been sent by the minister of the local church to arrest Elder Woodruff for preaching.

Elder Woodruff explained that he had a legal license to preach, and he asked the constable to sit down.



He promised he would talk to him after the meeting..

The constable listened to Elder Woodruff teach the principles of the gospel for over an hour.



At the end of the meeting seven people wanted to be baptized, including four preachers from other churches and the constable who had come to arrest Elder Woodruff.

The constable returned to the minister who had sent him and told the minister he would not arrest Elder Woodruff, for he had heard Elder Woodruff preach “the only true gospel sermon he had ever listened to in his life.”

The minister sent two clerks to spy on another meeting to find out what Elder Woodruff preached.

The two clerks were also converted and baptized.

(See Matthias F. Cowley, *Wilford Woodruff: History of His Life and Labors*, p. 118.)



Through the efforts of Wilford Woodruff and his companions, over eighteen hundred people in southern England became members of the Church.

A globe is depicted, its surface composed of a mosaic of numerous national flags from various countries, including the United States, United Kingdom, France, Germany, and many others. The globe is centered and occupies most of the frame. Overlaid on the globe is white text.

When the Twelve Apostles returned to Nauvoo, Illinois, where the headquarters of the Church was then located, they directed missionary work around the world.

Elder Orson had already preached the gospel for a short time in Germany and the Netherlands and had gone to Jerusalem to dedicate the Holy Land, where Jesus had lived when he was on the earth.

Missionaries were soon called to go to the islands in the Pacific Ocean.

Through the Twelve Apostles, the word of the Lord had begun to spread to all the nations of the earth.

# *DISCUSSION TIME*



What is the main  
responsibility of the  
Twelve Apostles?  
([D&C 107:23.](#))





What does it mean to  
be a witness of the  
name of Christ?

To teach people about  
Christ and testify that  
he is our Savior.

To whom are the  
Twelve Apostles to be  
special witnesses of  
Jesus Christ?





In addition to being witnesses of Jesus Christ, what are the Twelve Apostles called to do?

The Twelve Apostles supervise missionary work ([D&C 18:26–28](#); [112:21–22](#)) and other Church business ([D&C 107:33](#)).

They also jointly hold all the keys of the priesthood ([D&C 107:35](#); [112:30–32](#)).

How did the Lord  
promise to bless the  
Twelve Apostles and the  
other missionaries sent  
to preach the gospel in  
other nations? ([D&C](#)  
[112:19, 21.](#))





What did the missionaries have to do to receive this blessing? (D&C 112:10, 22, 28; see also D&C 11:21.)

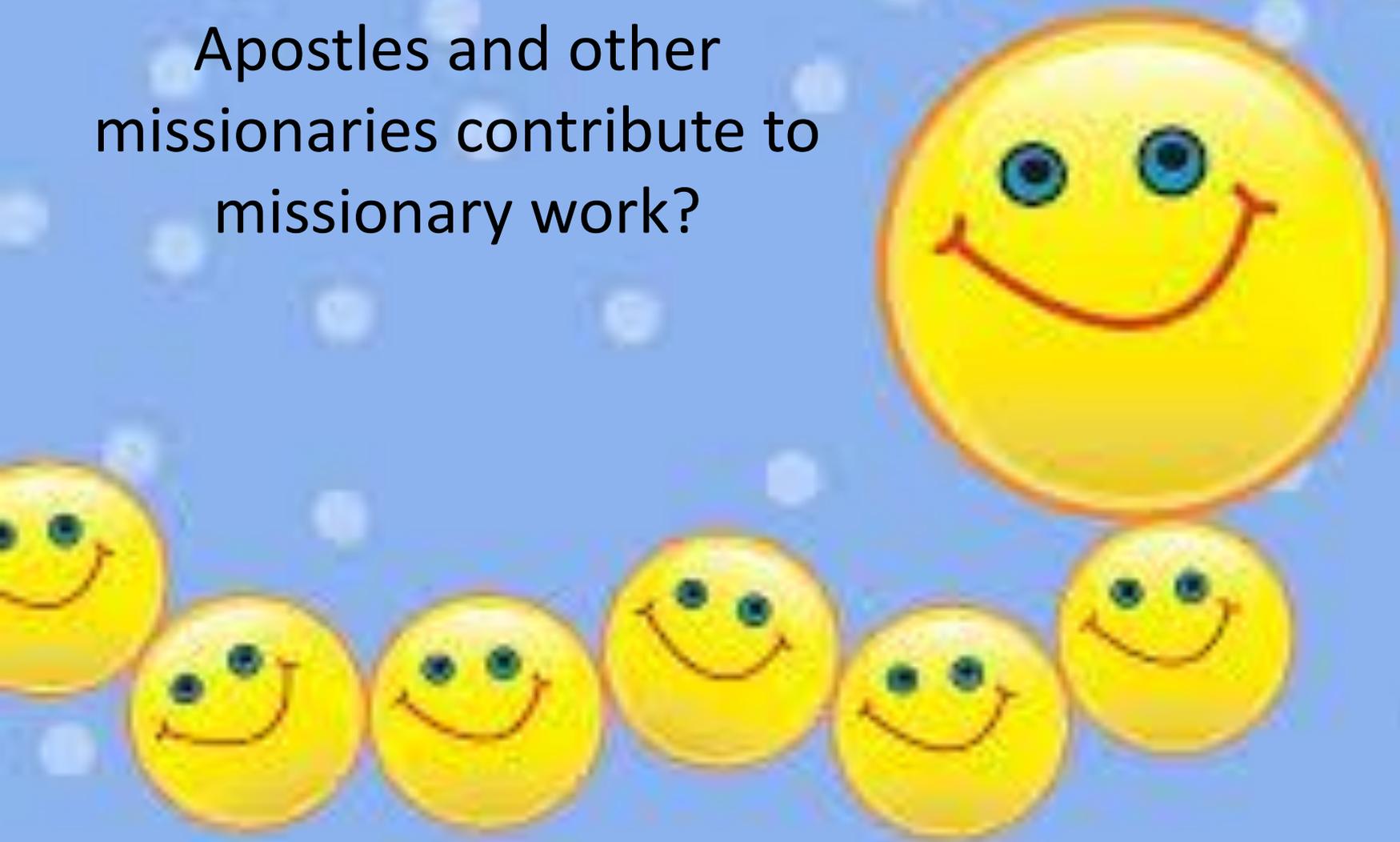
How can this blessing  
apply to us?



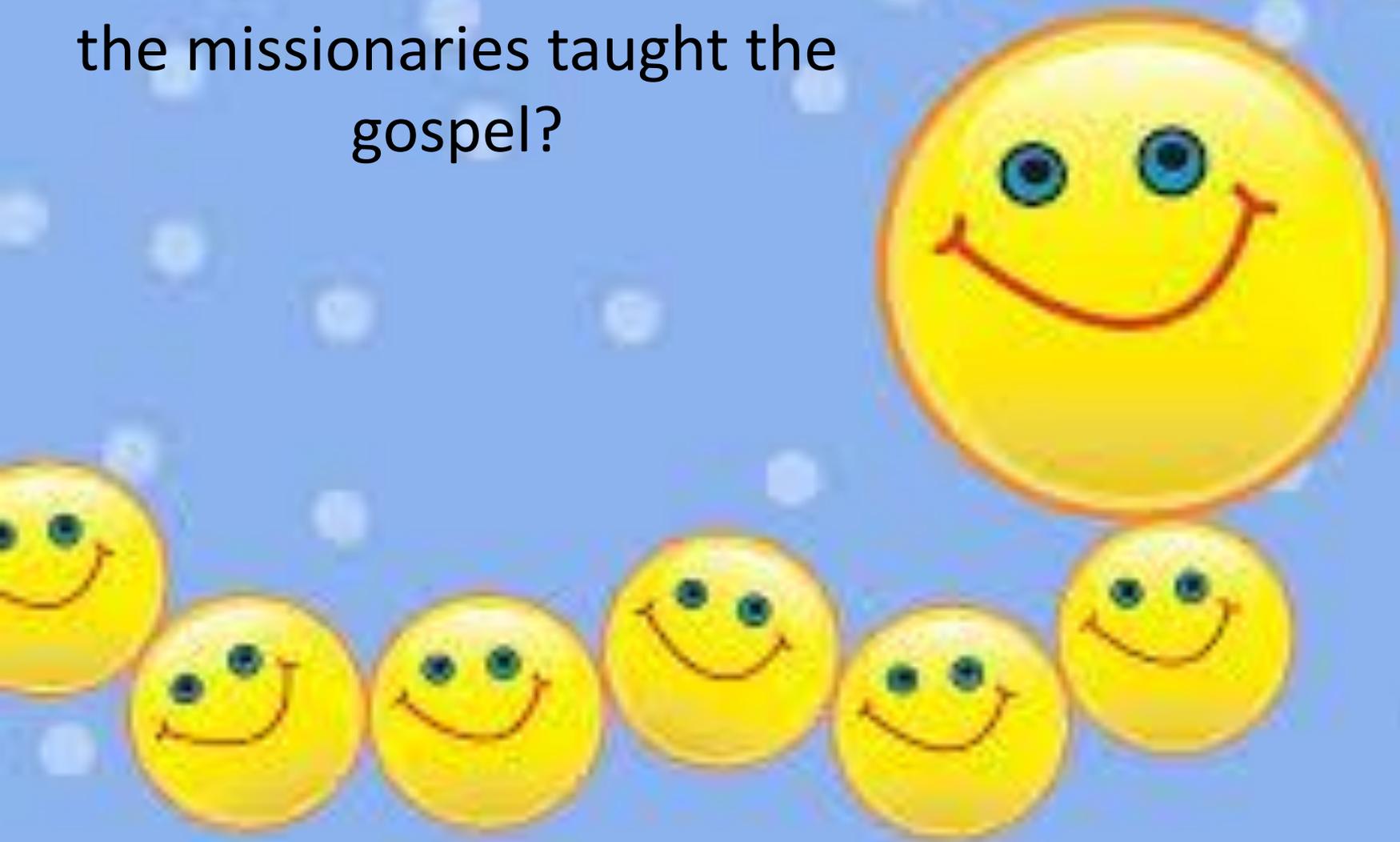
What can we do to  
receive this blessing?



How did the wives and children of the Twelve Apostles and other missionaries contribute to missionary work?



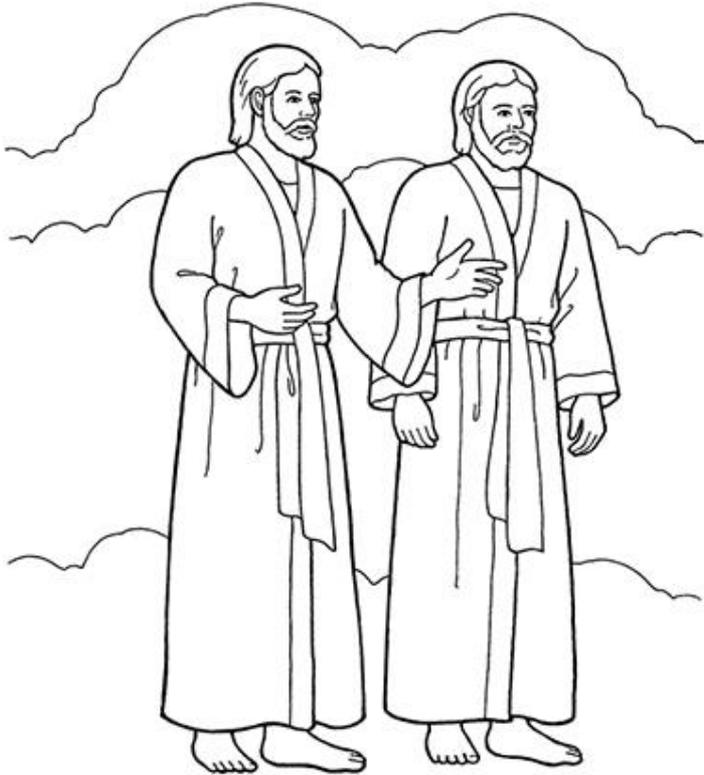
How were the missionaries  
and their families blessed as  
the missionaries taught the  
gospel?



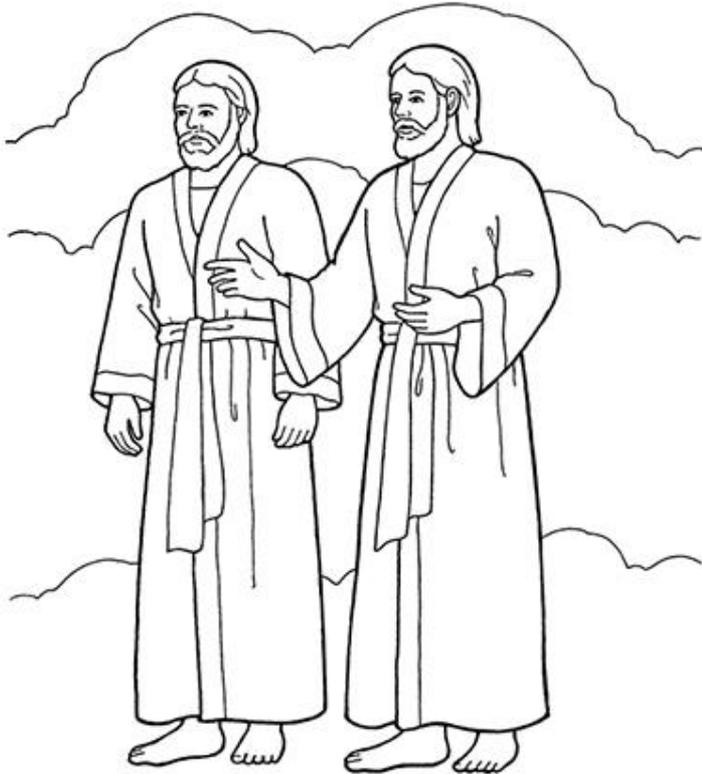
How are missionaries and  
their families blessed today?



Why do Heavenly Father  
and Jesus Christ want us to  
share the gospel with  
others?



What are some of the blessings we enjoy and want others to have also?

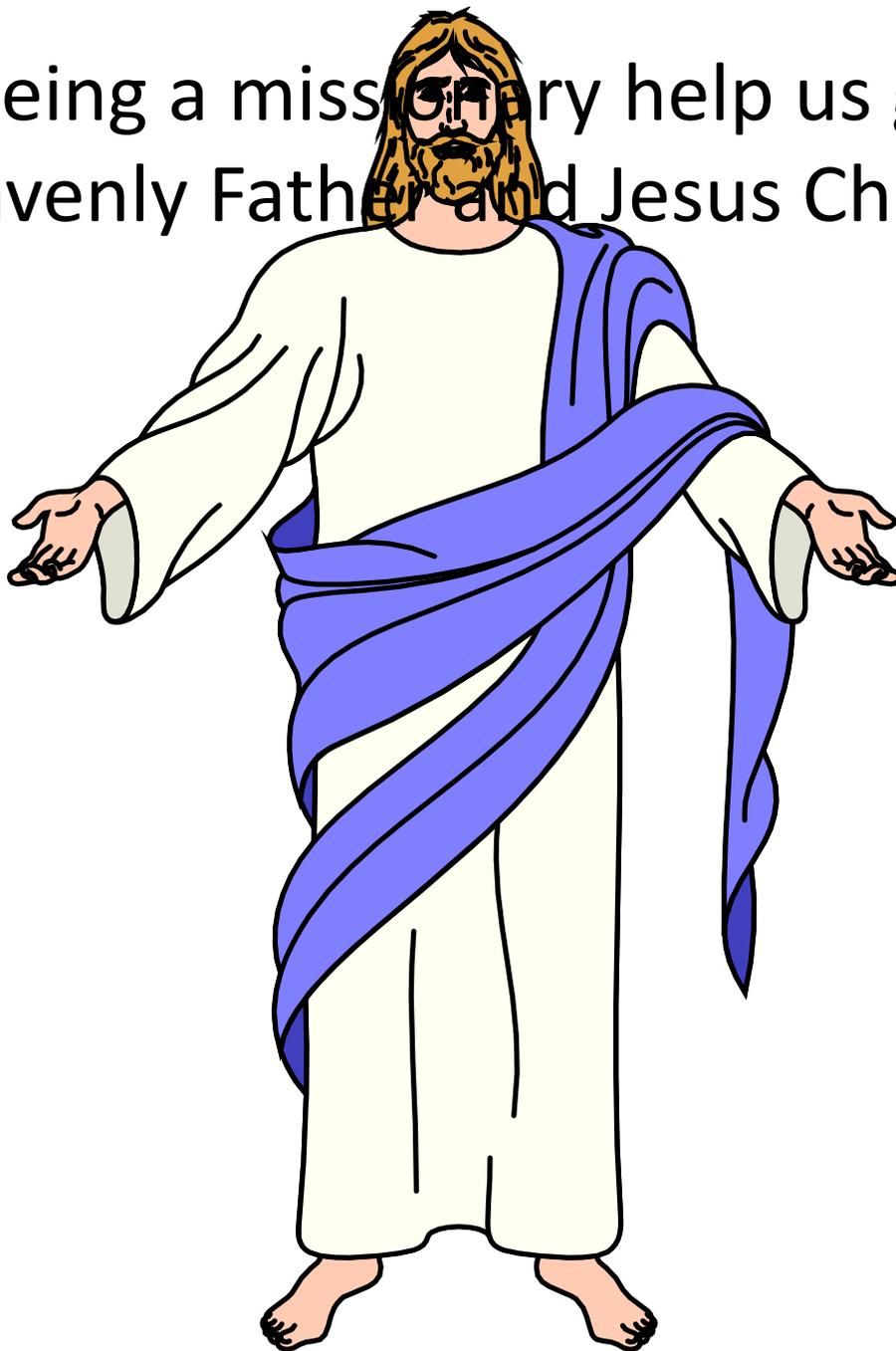


How can you be a missionary now?

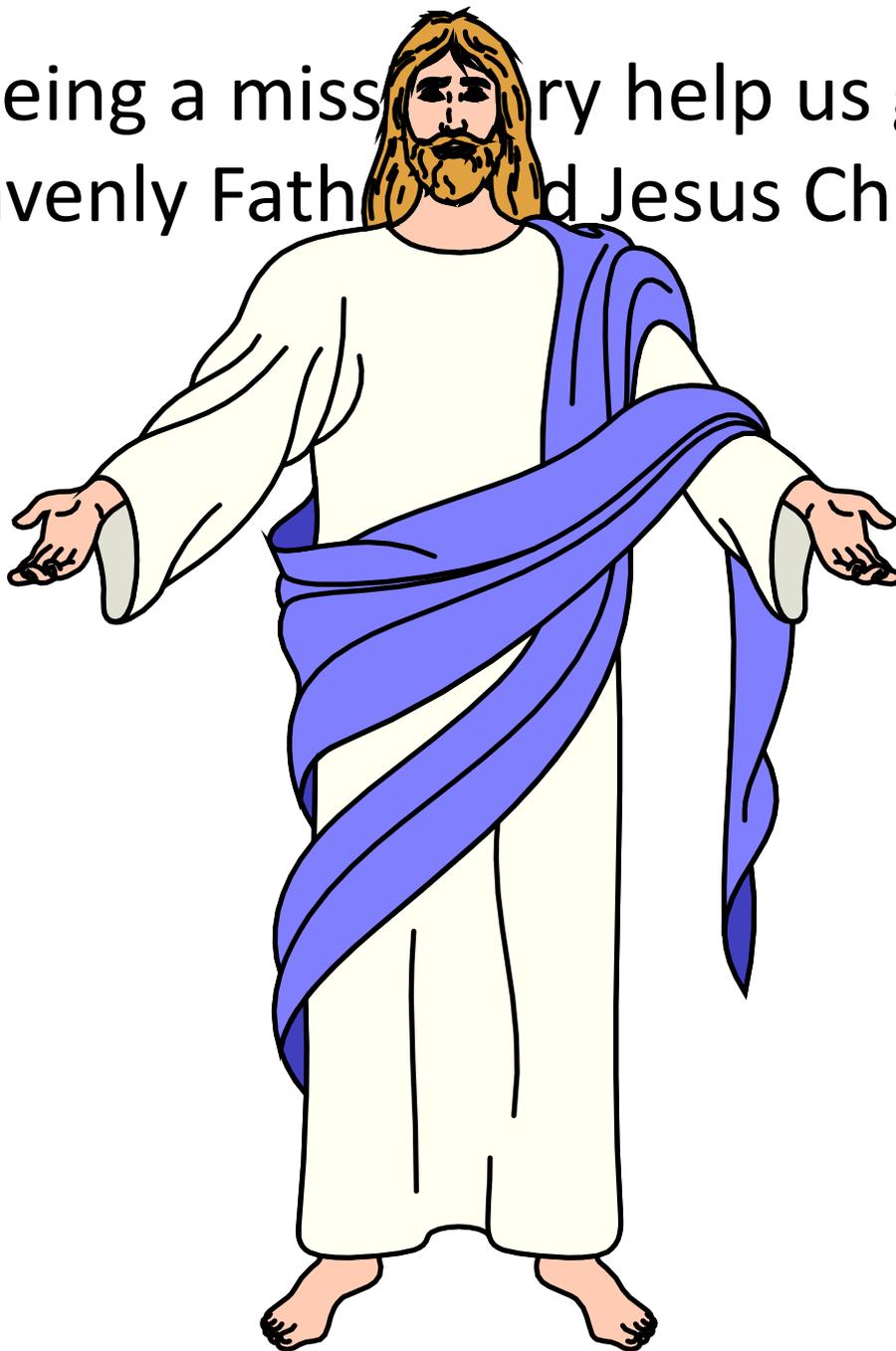
How can you prepare to be a full-time missionary  
someday?

How does being a missionary help us get closer to Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ?

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# TESTIMONY

- I'm grateful for the restoration of the gospel and for the missionaries who proclaim the gospel to the world.
- I want to encourage you to follow the examples of the early missionaries of the Church and develop the desire to share the gospel with others.



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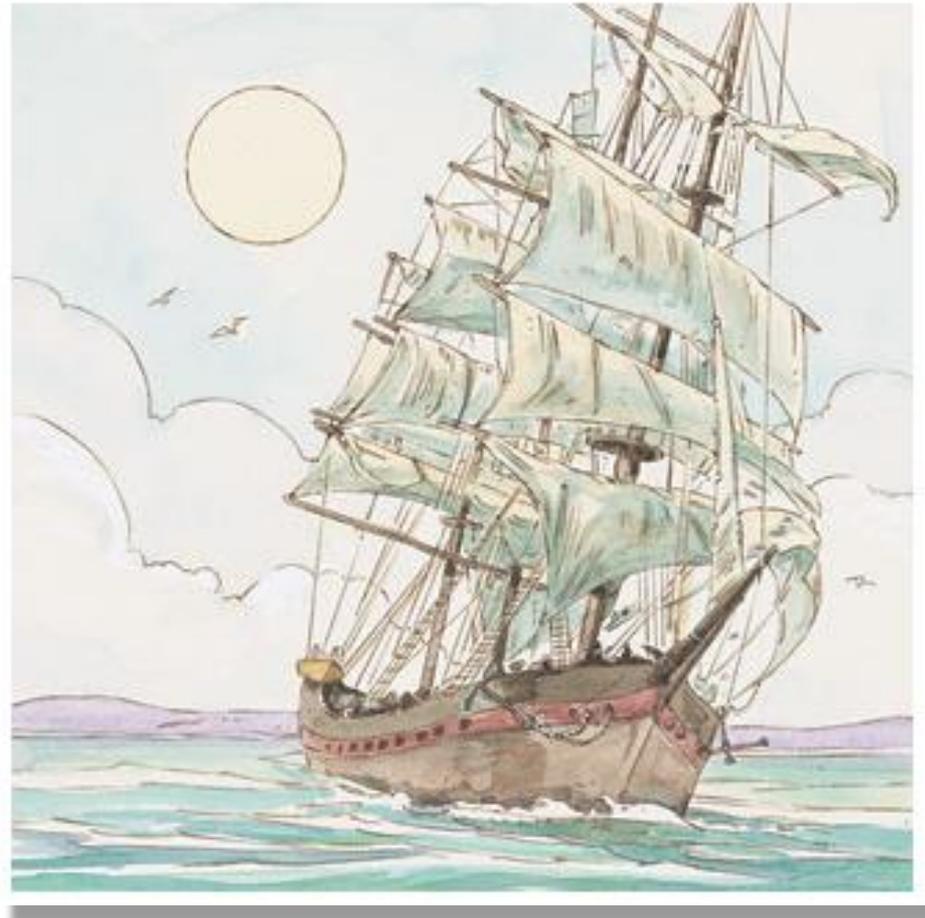
*The Lord wanted  
people in other lands  
to learn about the  
gospel.*



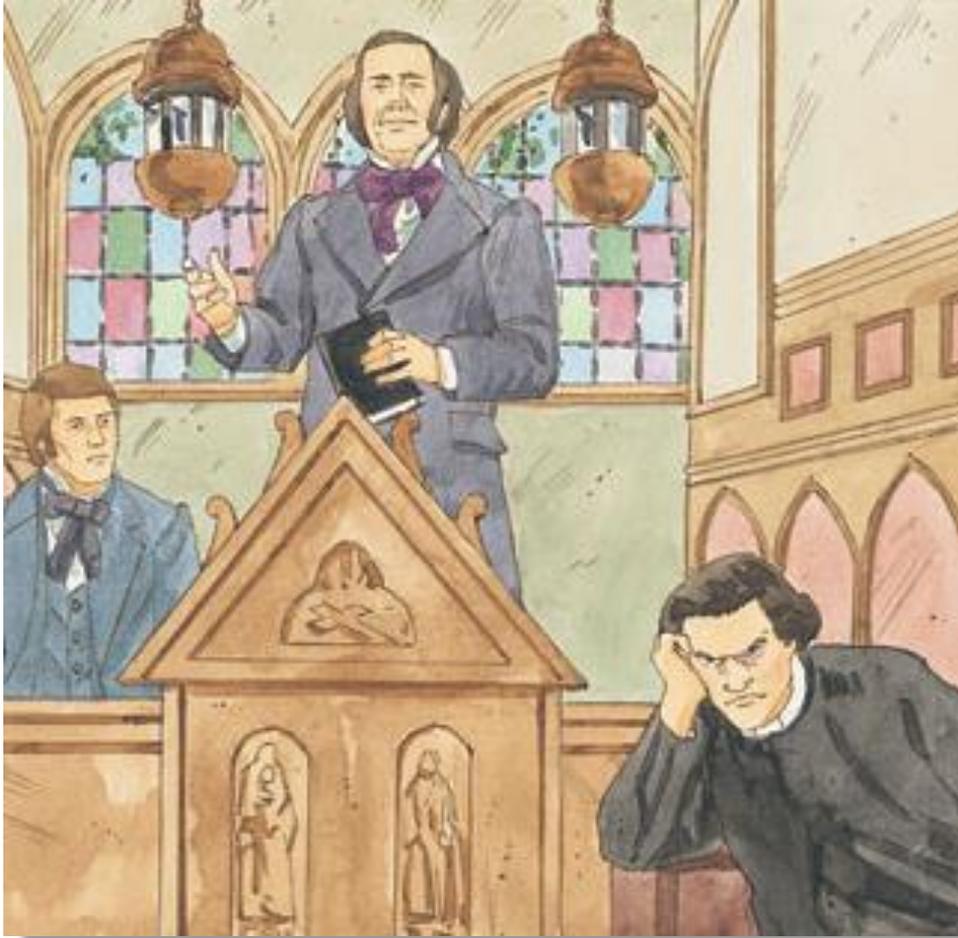
*In 1837, while many of the Saints were in Kirtland, the Lord told Joseph Smith that Elder Heber C. Kimball should go on a mission to England.*



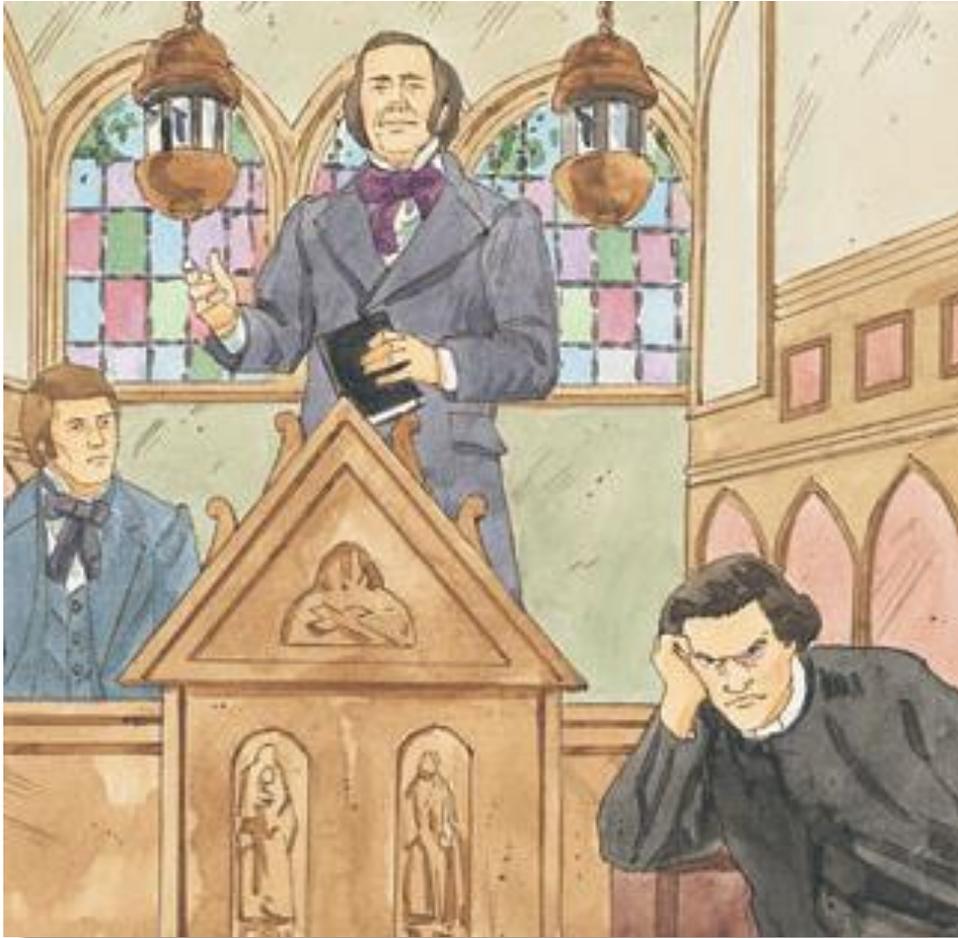
*Elder Kimball was one of the Twelve Apostles, and he and six other missionaries sailed to England on a ship.*

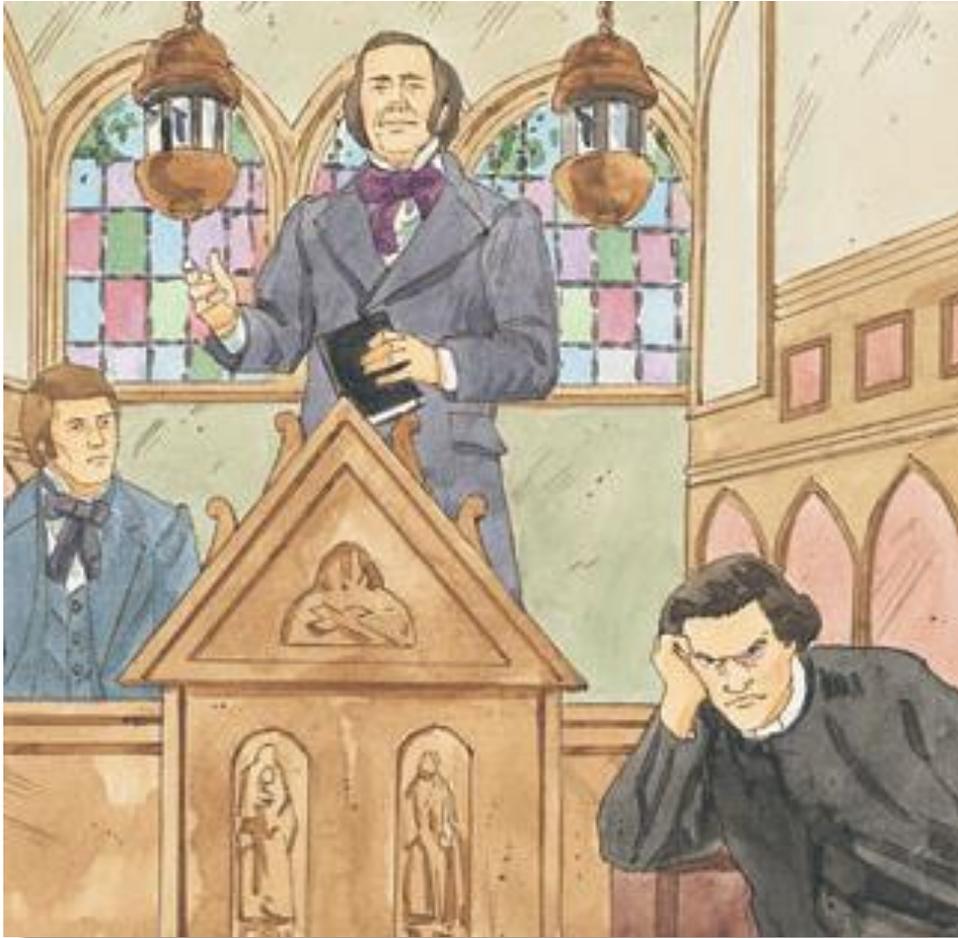


*The missionaries met a leader of another church who let them preach in his church.*



*Many of the people  
believed the  
missionaries and  
wanted to be  
baptized.*





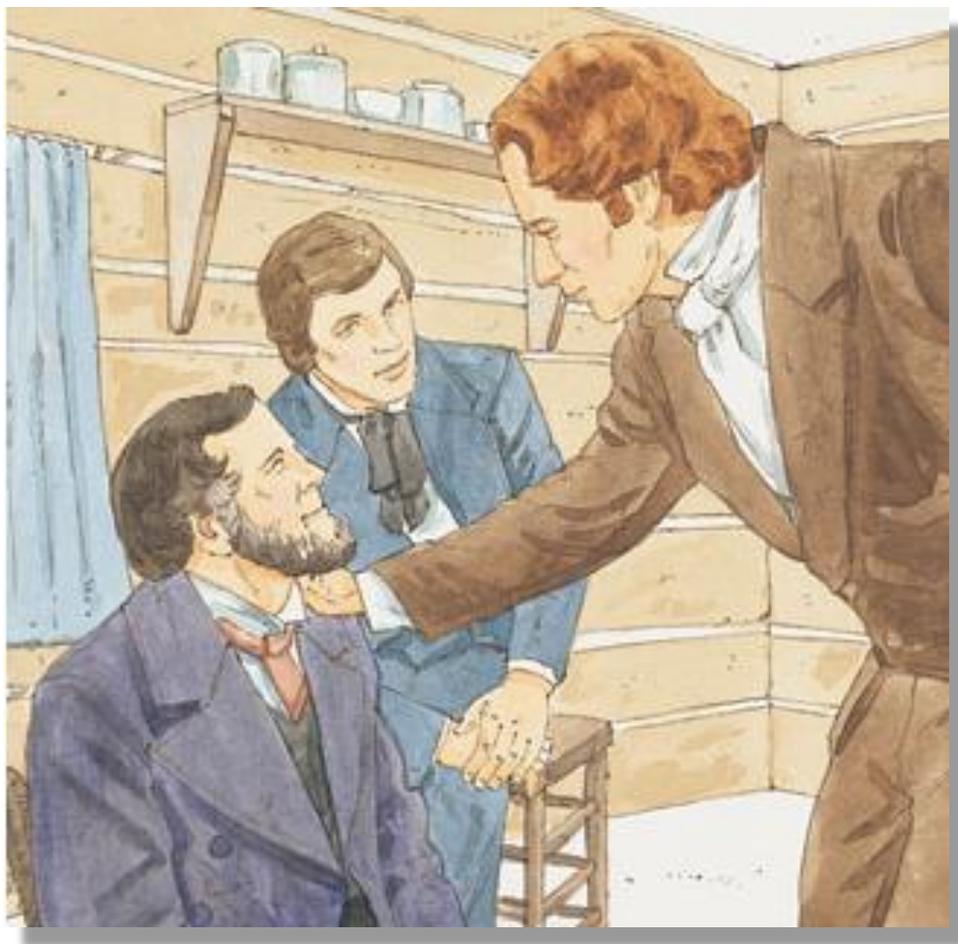
*The leader became angry and said the missionaries could not preach in his church anymore.*

*The missionaries  
preached in the  
homes of the people.*

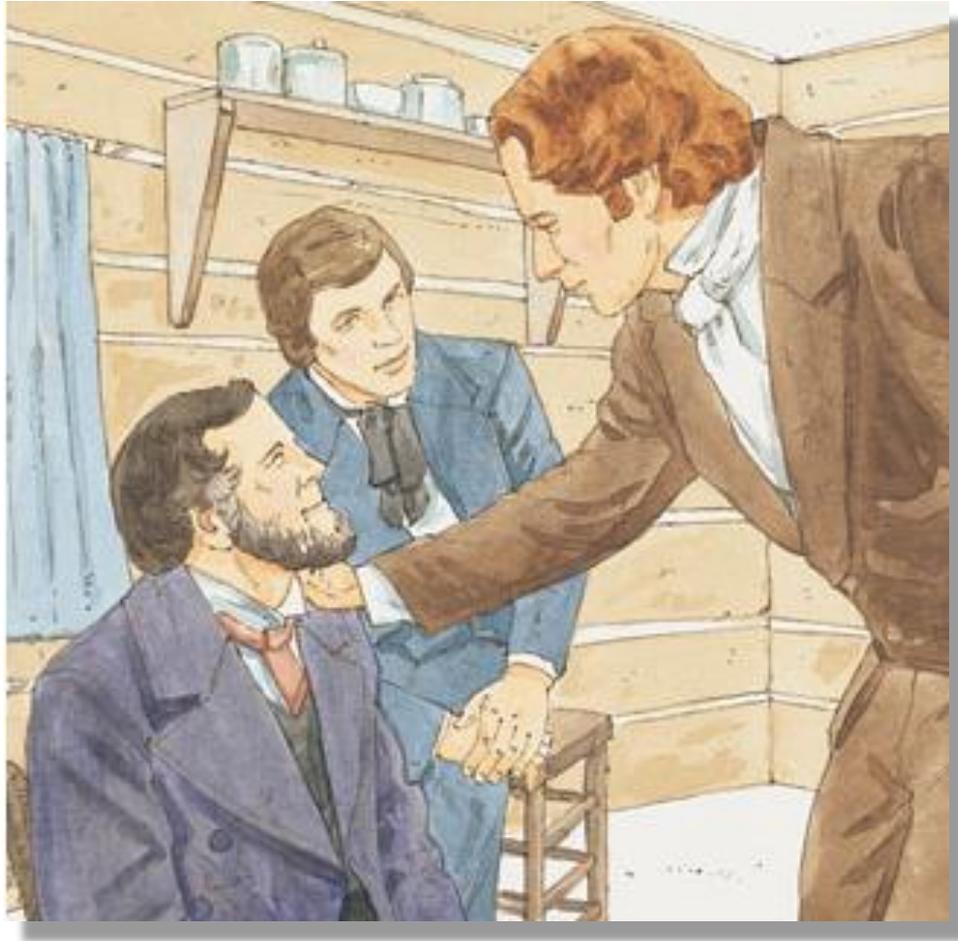


*Many of the people  
joined the Church.*



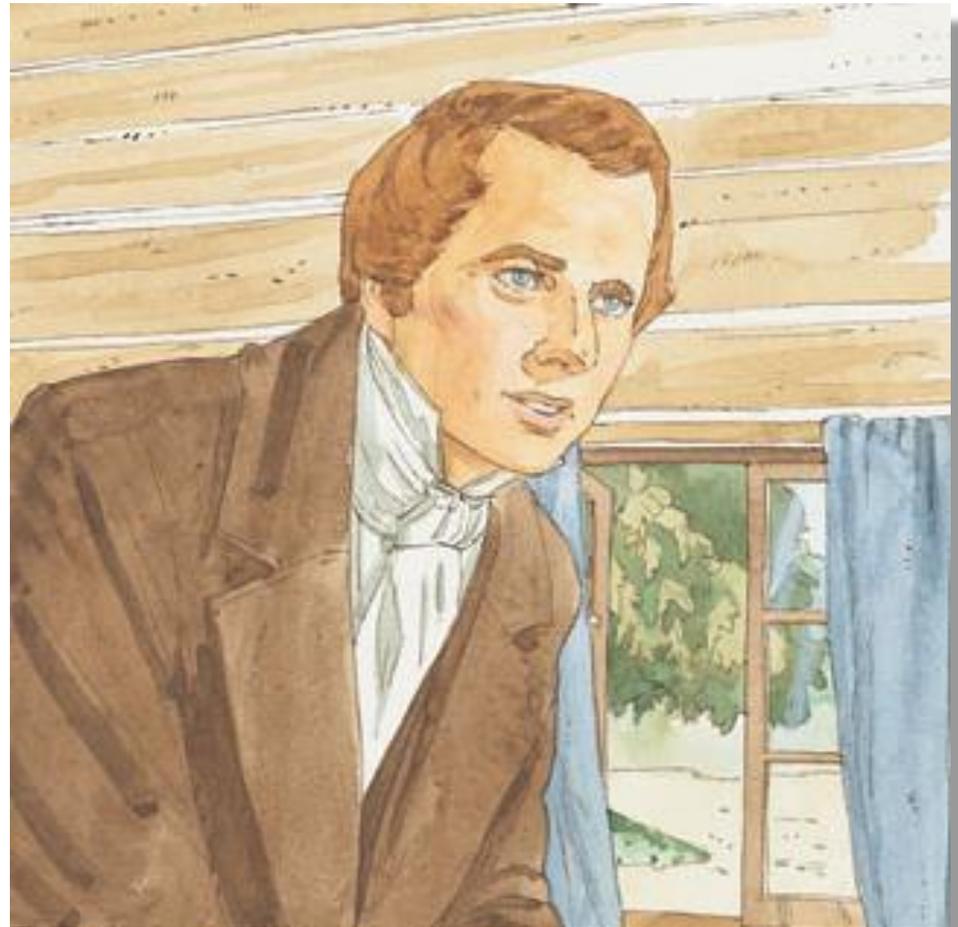


*In 1839, after the Saints had begun building Nauvoo, the Twelve Apostles were called to go to England to continue preaching the gospel there.*



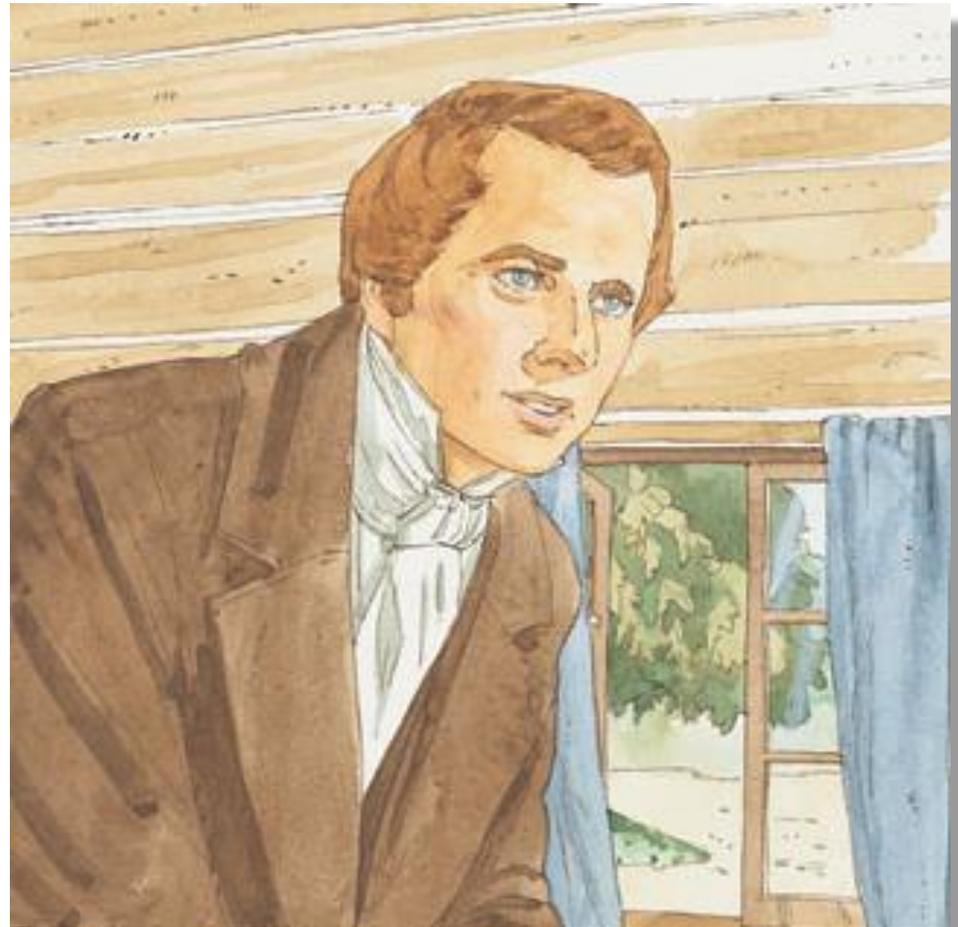
*Before they went,  
Joseph Smith met  
with them and told  
them what they  
should teach.*

*Joseph told the missionaries to obey God's commandments.*



*He talked to them  
about the priesthood.*

*He said that only the  
true Church of Jesus  
Christ has the  
priesthood.*



*The men were ready  
to go on their  
missions.*





*It was hard to leave because they didn't have much money, many of them were sick, and some of their wives and children were sick.*



*But the men had faith  
that Heavenly Father  
would help them and  
would bless their  
families.*

*The missionaries  
went to England and  
preached in many  
towns.*

*Thousands of people  
believed the gospel  
and joined the  
Church.*



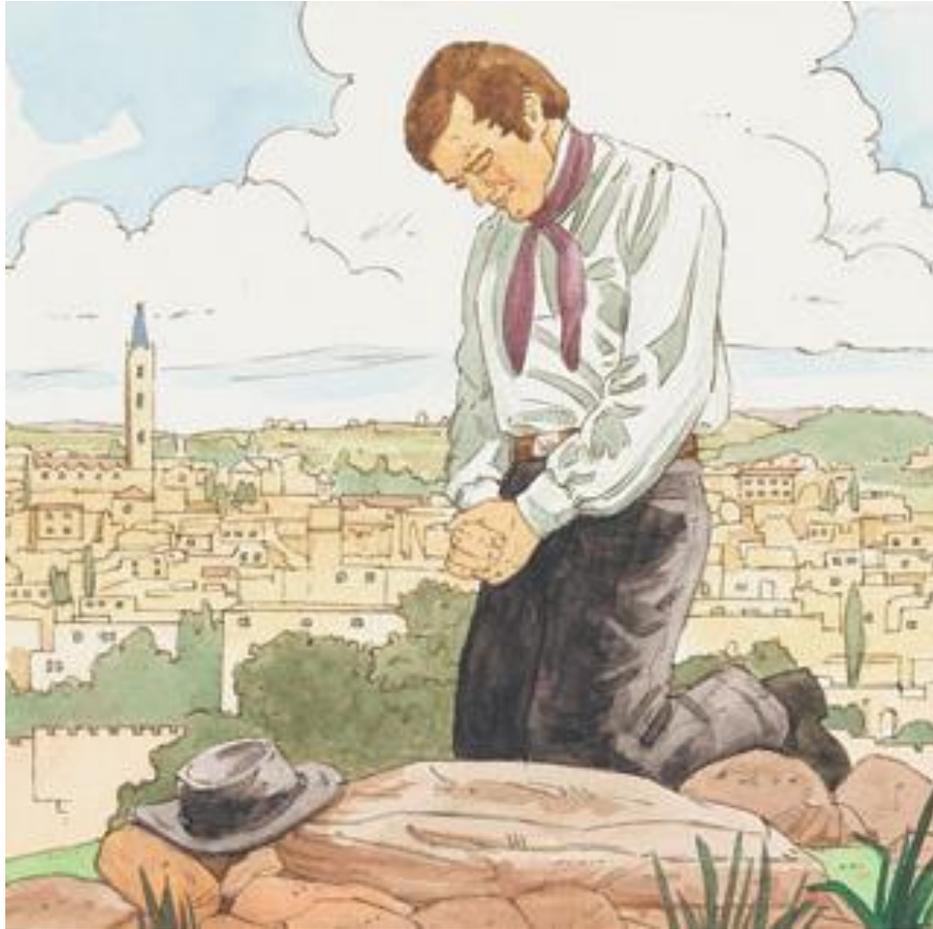
*Many of those who were baptized came to America and were a great strength to the Church.*



*Orson Hyde was one  
of the Apostles.*

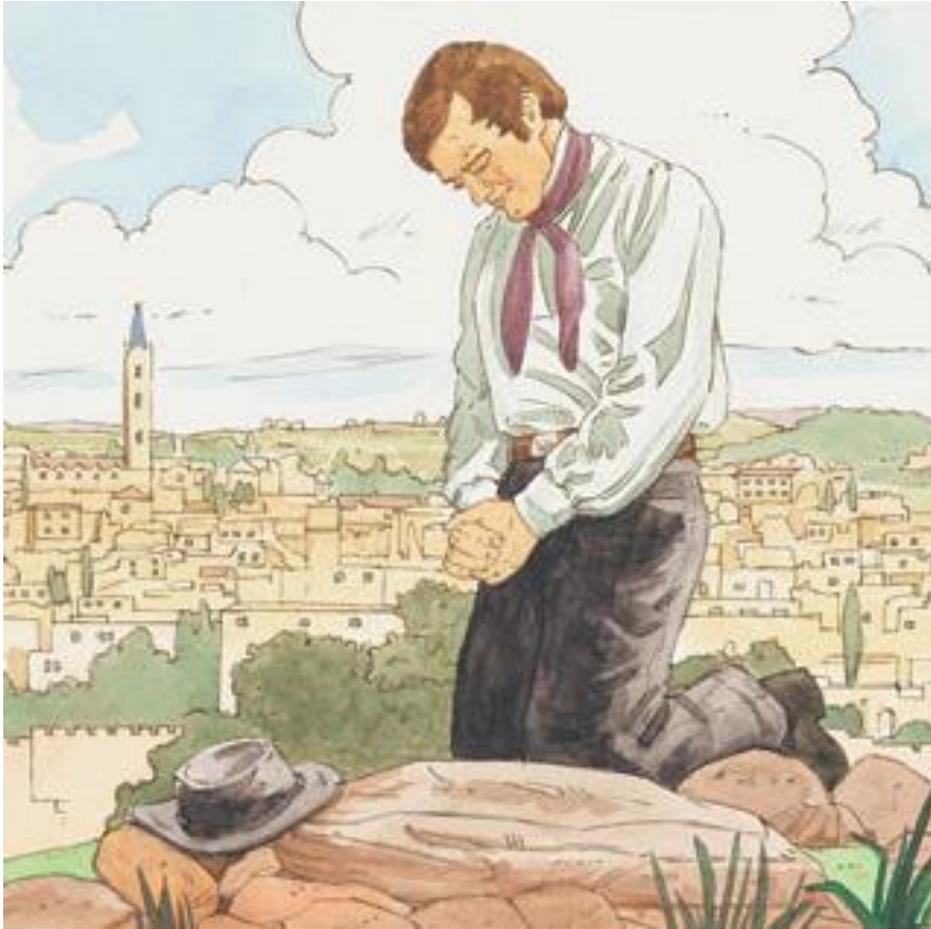


*Joseph Smith said  
Orson had special  
work to do for the  
Jewish people.*

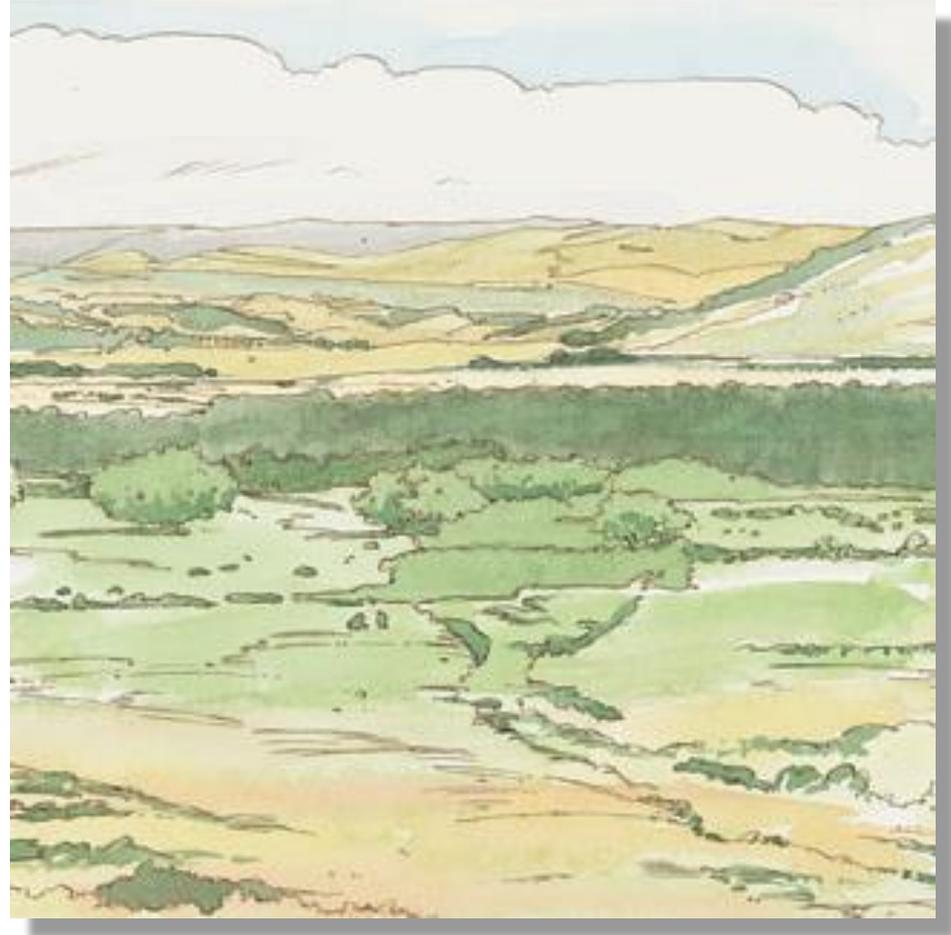


*After several months in Europe, Elder Hyde went to the Holy Land, which is where Jesus lived while He was on earth.*

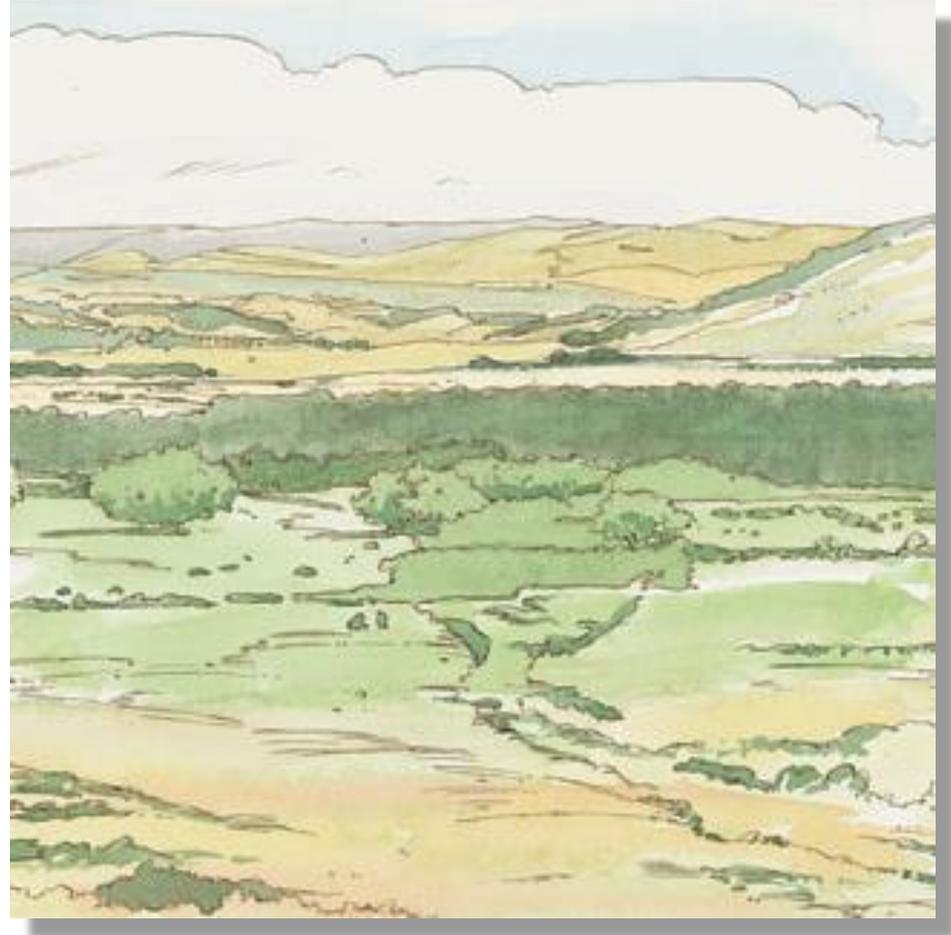
*On 24 October 1841,  
Elder Hyde said a  
prayer to dedicate  
the Holy Land.*



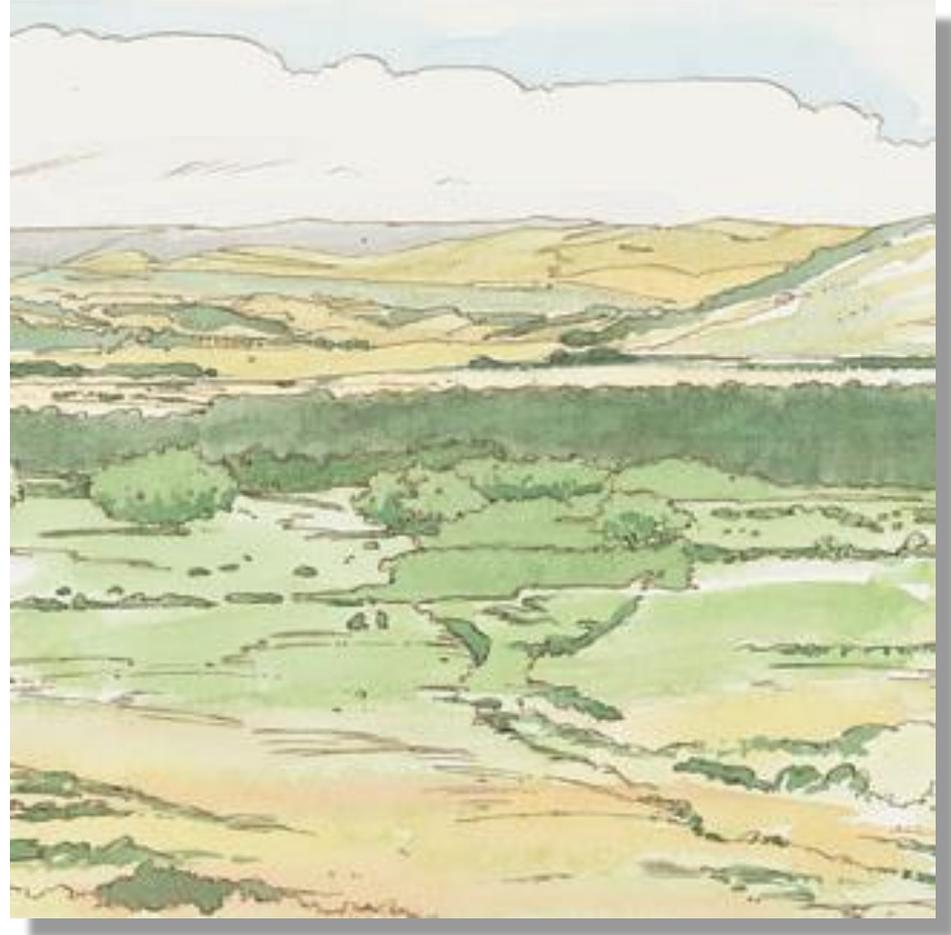
*In his prayer, Elder Hyde asked God to bless the land for the gathering of the Jews.*



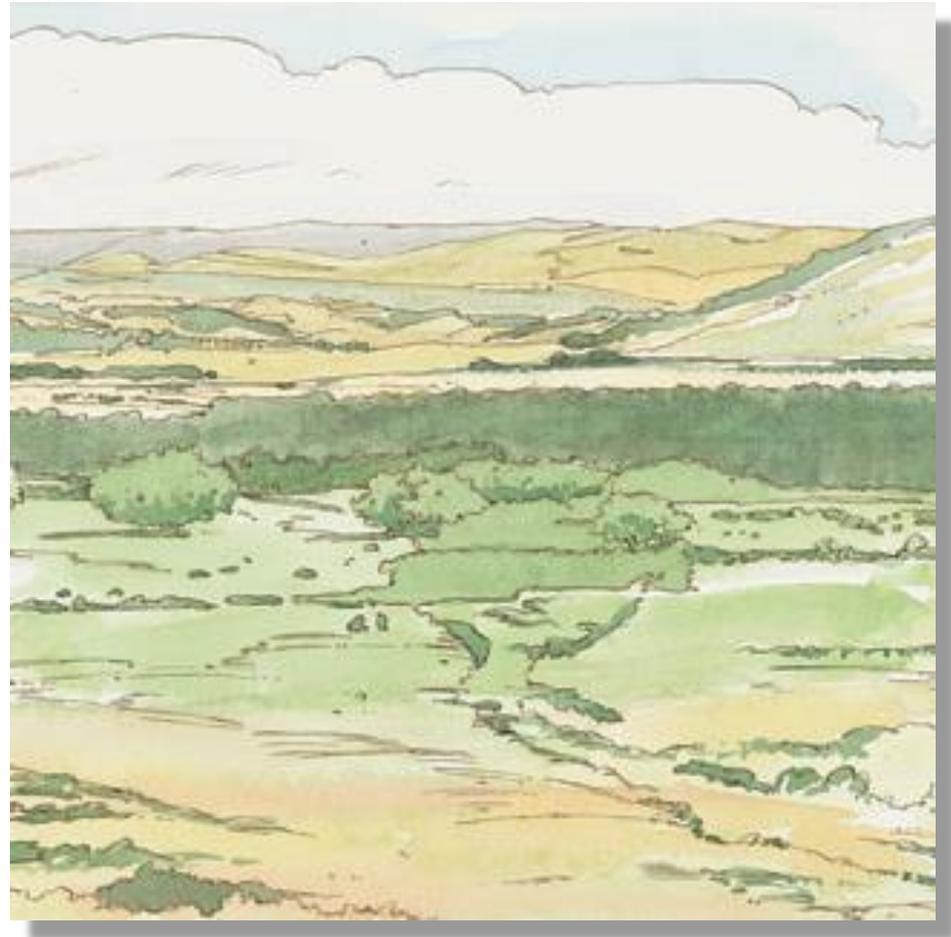
*He said that God had given this land to Abraham and his children, that these children were scattered, and that they looked forward to the fulfillment of God's promises.*



*Elder Hyde also  
blessed the land so it  
would have water so  
food would grow..*



*In the years since  
Elder Hyde's prayer,  
many Jews and other  
children of Abraham  
have gathered in the  
Holy Land.*



*In 1979, President  
Spencer W. Kimball  
said a prayer to  
dedicate a garden  
there.*



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dedicate a garden  
there.*



*It is called The Orson  
Hyde Memorial  
Garden.*

## Orson Hyde Memorial Garden

This garden was planted in memory of Orson Hyde, one of the early leaders of the Latter Day Saints (the Mormons). One of Hyde's main callings was to preach in Jerusalem, which he did from 1841 to 1842. During his stay in the city, he toured the Mount of Olives and prayed there for the fulfillment of the prophets' vision for the return of Israel to its land. Brigham Young University purchased the area and planted the garden in Hyde's memory. There is a Mormon church in the garden.

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 107:23

23 The twelve traveling councilors are called to be the Twelve Apostles, or special witnesses of the name of Christ in all the world—thus differing from other officers in the church in the duties of their calling.

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 18:26-28

26 And now, behold, there are others who are called to declare my gospel, both unto Gentile and unto Jew;

27 Yea, even twelve; and the Twelve shall be my disciples, and they shall take upon them my name; and the Twelve are they who shall desire to take upon them my name with full purpose of heart.

28 And if they desire to take upon them my name with full purpose of heart, they are called to go into all the world to preach my gospel unto every creature.

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 112:21-22

33 The Twelve are a Traveling Presiding High Council, to officiate in the name of the Lord, under the direction of the Presidency of the Church, agreeable to the institution of heaven; to build up the church, and regulate all the affairs of the same in all nations, first unto the Gentiles and secondly unto the Jews.

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# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 107:35

35 The Twelve being sent out, holding the keys, to open the door by the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and first unto the Gentiles and then unto the Jews.

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 112:30-32

30 For unto you, the Twelve, and those, the First Presidency, who are appointed with you to be your counselors and your leaders, is the power of this priesthood given, for the last days and for the last time, in the which is the dispensation of the fulness of times.

31 Which power you hold, in connection with all those who have received a dispensation at any time from the beginning of the creation;

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 112:30-32

32 For verily I say unto you, the keys of the dispensation, which ye have received, have come down from the fathers, and last of all, being sent down from heaven unto you.

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 112:19,21

19 Wherefore, whithersoever they shall send you, go ye, and I will be with you; and in whatsoever place ye shall proclaim my name an effectual door shall be opened unto you, that they may receive my word.

21 And again, I say unto you, that whosoever ye shall send in my name, by the voice of your brethren, the Twelve, duly recommended and authorized by you, shall have power to open the door of my kingdom unto any nation whithersoever ye shall send them—

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 112:10,22,28

10 Be thou humble; and the Lord thy God shall lead thee by the hand, and give thee answer to thy prayers.

22 Inasmuch as they shall humble themselves before me, and abide in my word, and hearken to the voice of my Spirit.

28 But purify your hearts before me; and then go ye into all the world, and preach my gospel unto every creature who has not received it;

# Doctrine and Covenants | Section 11:21

21 Seek not to declare my word, but first seek to obtain my word, and then shall your tongue be loosed; then, if you desire, you shall have my Spirit and my word, yea, the power of God unto the convincing of men.

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