with him? No, but one-third part of the 
spirits that were begotten and organized 
and brought forth to became tenants of 
fleshly bodies to dwell upon this earth. 
They forsook Jesus Christ, the rightful 
heir, and joined with Lucifer, the Son 
of the Morning, and came to this earth; 
they got here first. As soon as Mother 
Eve made her appearance in the garden 
of Eden, the devil was on hand.

You cannot give any person their ex-
altation, unless they know what evil is, 
what sin, sorrow, and misery are, for 
no person could comprehend, appreciate, 
and enjoy an exaltation upon any other 
principle. The devil with one-third part 
of the spirits of our Father's Kingdom got 
here before us, and we tarried there with 
our friends, until the time came for us to 
come to the earth and take tabernacles; 
but those spirits that revolted were for-
bidden ever to have tabernacles of their 
own. You can now comprehend how it is 
that they are always trying to get posses-
sion of the bodies of human beings; we 
read of a man's being possessed of a le-
gion, and Mary Magdalene had seven.

You may now see people with legions 
of evil spirits in and around them; there 
are men who walk our streets that have 
more than a hundred devils in them and 
round about them, prompting them to all 
manner of evil, and some too that pro-
fess to be Latter-day Saints, and if you 
were to take the devils out of them and 
from about them, you would leave them 
dead corpses; for I believe there would be 
nothing left of them.

I want you to understand these 
things; and if you should say or think 
that I know nothing about them, be 
pleased to find out and inform me. You 
can see the acts of these evil spir-
its in every place, the whole coun-
try is full of them, the whole earth 
is alive with them, and they are con-
tinually trying to get into the taber-
nacles of the human family, and are al-
ways on hand to prompt us to depart 
from the strict line of our duty.

You know that we sometimes need a 
prompter; if anyone of you was called 
by the government of the United States 
to go to Germany, Italy, or any foreign 
nation, as an Ambassador, if you did 
not understand the language somebody 
would have to interpret for you. Well, 
these evil spirits are ready to prompt 
you. Do they prompt us? Yes, and I could 
put my hands on a dozen of them while I 
have been on this stand; they are here on 
the stand. Could we do without the dev-
ils? No, we could not get along without 
them. They are here, and they suggest 
this, that, and the other.

When you lay down this tabernacle, 
where are you going? Into the spiritual 
world. Are you going into Abraham's bo-
som. No, not anywhere nigh there, but 
into the spirit world. Where is the spirit 
world? It is right here. Do the good and 
evil spirits go together? Yes, they do. 
Do they both inhabit one kingdom? Yes, 
they do. Do they go to the sun? No. Do 
they go beyond the boundaries of this or-
ganized earth? No, they do not. They are 
brought forth upon this earth, for the ex-
press purpose of inhabiting it to all eter-
nity. Where else are you going? Nowhere 
else, only as you may be permitted.

When the spirits of mankind leave 
their bodies, no matter whether the in-
dividual was a Prophet or the meanest 
person that you could find, where do they 
go? To the spirit world. Where is it? I am 
telling you. The spirit of Joseph, I do not 
know that it is just now in this bowery, 
but I will assure you that it is close to the 
Latter-day Saints, is active in preaching 
to the spirits in prison and preparing the 
way to redeem the nations of the earth, 
those who lived in darkness previous to 
the introduction of the Gospel by himself 
in these days.