privilege to live in this way, that all our
time may be spent so that we have a con-
science void of offense towards both God
and man. When we reflect on the day
that is past and see wherein we have
done evil, we should labor to improve
and to advance in the things of the king-
dom of God. I feel that in order for
us to prize the gifts of God, the bless-
ings of the Gospel, the privilege that we
have of building tabernacles, and of liv-
ing here in peace, and kneeling down in
our family circles in peace, having in our
society the Prophets of God, men filled
with wisdom, who are capable of lead-
ing us to salvation, and of leading us
into the paths of life, who do teach us
the principles of truth, which will lead us
back to our Father and our God—I say,
when we consider these things we ought
to prize our privileges as Saints of the
Most High. Brethren, we must invari-
ably have the Spirit of God with us, that
we may ever be kept in the line of our
duty.

I feel to exhort you in regard to these
things, that we may prize those blessings
which God has given unto us, and pursue
a course wherein we may be justified of
the Lord. Now, if we attempt to do any-
thing that is not right, the Spirit of the
Lord will not approbate us, but we shall
feel condemned. The Lord has blessed
us during the past winter; He has
poured out upon us a great amount of
knowledge, wisdom, and treasures, that
we ought to prize. Now, as the spring
is coming upon us, and as we turn our
attention to the plough and to cultivat-
ing the earth, if we forget our prayers,
the Devil will take double the advantage
of us. We have renewed our covenants
by baptism, and we have received great
blessings from the Lord, and much of the
Holy Spirit has been shed abroad among
this people. And, as brother Richards
has said—and I consider the counsel
right—we should not only reprove our-
selves when wrong, but we should re-
prove sin wherever we see it, whether in
ourselves, in our streets, or in our quo-
rums. We should always show our disap-
probation of those that are wrong—that
are sinful and wicked.

I do not feel, this morning, like occu-
pying a great portion of your time, but
I do feel that the Lord is gracious unto
us, and that we should prize above all
things upon the earth the words of eter-
nal life that are given unto us. As long as
we are governed by the Holy Spirit, our
minds are strengthened, and our faith
is and will be increased, and we shall
labor for the building up of the king-
dom of God. And I pray that our hearts
may be inspired to magnify our calling
and the holy Priesthood, and honor God,
keep his commandments, and live our re-
ligion, which I ask in the name of Jesus
Christ. Amen.