receive something great and glorious." 
"What about, brother Day?" "Why, as you were describing the Deity, and just came to
the point I was the most anxious to have expounded, behold you waived it and turned to something else." I smiled
and said, "After I had taught them how, I wanted the people to add the rest of the sermon themselves." He said, "I de-
clare, brother Young, I would have given anything I possessed in the world, if you had continued your remarks un-
til I had obtained the knowledge I de-
sired." I inquired the nature of it. "To
know the character of God." I smiled
and said, "Are you a preacher of the
Gospel?" "Yes." "How long have you been a preacher?" "Twenty-seven years I have been a preacher of the Gospel of Christ." "And you have been a minister so long, and have never learned anything about the character of the Being about whom you have been preaching! I am aston-
ished! Now you want to find out the char-
acter of God. I can make you answer
the question yourself in a few minutes." "Well, I do not know, brother Young; it is a very mysterious subject to mortal
man." "Now, let me ask you a single
question. Will you tell me what God
our Father in heaven appears like?" He
sat a considerable time, while the color
on his cheeks ebbed and flowed alter-
nately, till at last he replied, "Brother
Young, I will not presume to describe
the character of the Deity." I smiled,
and he thought I was treating the sub-
ject lightly. "I am not making light of
the subject, but I am smiling at your folly, that you—a teacher in Israel—
a man who should stand between the living and the dead—yet know nothing
about your Father and God. Were I in
your place, I would never preach another sermon while I lived, until I learned
more about God. Do you believe the
Bible?" "I do." "What resemblance did
our father Adam bear to his God, when
he placed him in the Garden of Eden?"
Before he had time to reply, I asked him
what resemblance Jesus bore to man in
his incarnation? and "Do you believe
Moses, who said the Lord made Adam
in his own image and after his own like-
ness? This may appear to you a curios-
ity; but do you not see, bona fide, that
the Lord made Adam like himself; and
the Savior we read of was made to look so
like him, that he was the express image
of his person?" He laughed at his folly
himself. "Why," said he, "Brother Young,
I never once thought of it before in all my
life, and I have been a preacher twenty-
seven years." He never had known any-
thing about the character of the God he
worshipped; but, like the Athenians, had
raised an altar with the inscription, "To
the unknown God."

There is not one of the faithful Elders
of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-
day Saints but is more or less acquainted
with the physical and moral character of
the God he serves; which is more than
all the world knows, or can know, inde-
pendent of the inspiration of the Holy
Ghost. The greatest, the best, the most
educated, and the most profound theolo-
gians on the earth, who have obtained
their learning by reading and study, had
no correct knowledge of what is in the
Bible about God, angels, sin, righteous-
ness, and many other important sub-
jects, until Joseph Smith made it known.

We are now in the school of theology
and making rapid progress in the study
of this celestial science. I admit there are
some few dunces in the school; some ad-
vance at a very slow pace, and some not
at all. It would be difficult to tell whether they enjoy anything or not, or whether they are in the faith or not. But, as a