one of another, and seek not the honor
that cometh from God only."

How can your Judges judge in righ-
teousness and shut their ears to the
voice of truth and to the testimony of
innocence, and look around in all di-
rections to find some mean scoundrel
to come up and testify lies? How can any
people be instructed in the things of God
and receive light, while they are labor-
ing diligently to shut out every particle
of light from their tabernacles?

If you wish to know why the simple
testimony of the humble servants of God
gathers together this people from the na-
tions of the earth, it is because there was
place found in their hearts for the word.

When I went to Denmark, I could not
speak the first word of their language, or
know the first letter of their alphabet. I
was to all intents and purposes a barbar-
ian to them, and they were barbarians
to me. I went there because I was sent,
with an intention to do the best I knew
how, as the Spirit of the Lord might di-
rect me. You may ask if I received the gift
of tongues, that I could begin and speak
to them in their own language by the
power of the Holy Ghost without study-
ing. I answer, Yes, when it pleased the
Lord to give it to me; and when it did
not, I remained silent. I did not have
any special anxiety to preach to them in
their own tongue anymore than the Lord
wanted to have me do.

I did not do a great deal of preaching
in that country, but I did whatever the
Lord put into my heart to do as near as
I knew how; and I learned the language
as fast as the Spirit of the Lord enabled
me to do so, that I might bear my testi-
mony to them in their own tongue, and
that I might understand what they said
to me when they asked me questions and
required explanations; and when they
wished to correspond with me, that I
might be able to write an answer. I had
to learn to read and write, and talk to
them in their own language. Did the
Spirit of the Lord assist me? Yes. I
learned their language, and became so
familiar with it as to write and speak
with them in six months' time.

The Holy Ghost was with me to as-
sist me. In twenty-one months I pub-
lished the Book of Mormon, the Book of
Doctrine and Covenants, and the Hymn
Book, and eight or ten pamphlets.

A gentleman upon the vessel, on my
return home, having been informed in
how short a time I had learned the lan-
guage, declared it was impossible for any
mortal man to become acquainted with
the Danish language and use it as I did
in so short a time; and pronounced me an
impostor to some of the Saints on board
who were traveling in company with me
to this place, for palming upon them
some miraculous thing; and expressed
himself as having no doubt that I fami-
liarized myself with the language in col-
lege in some other country by years of
study.

I was there comparatively alone, and
the harvest great and the laborers few,
and the Spirit bore testimony that the
Lord had much people there. I saw, if
they were all to be sought out and gath-
ered home by the labors of men sent
from America, and after traveling so long
a journey to learn their language, that
it was a great work; and the words of
Alma came forcibly to my mind, that the
Lord raises up men among all the na-
tions of the earth, to give them that por-
tion of his word which they are capa-
bles of receiving. And I cried unto the
Lord, saying, "O Lord, raise up labor-
ers and send them into this harvest—
men of their own tongue, who have
been raised among them and are fa-
miliar with the spirits of the people." He
has done it. Before I left, there