and holy desires to do the will of God, keep his commandments and live in close communion with him, and then you need never be afraid of being deceived, for you cannot be if you have the Holy Ghost within you, and that this may be the case, is my prayer, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

THE GOSPEL RESTORED FROM HEAVEN—SIGNS FOLLOW BELIEVERS—FULFILLMENT OF PROPHECY—BOOK OF MORMON A DIVINE REVELATION

DISCOURSE BY ELDER ORSON PRATT, DELIVERED IN THE FOURTEENTH WARD ASSEMBLY ROOMS, SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 15, 1874

Reported by David W. Evans

We profess, Latter-day Saints, to be living in a dispensation called the dispensation of the fulness of times, a dispensation commenced and committed to men in our age by the administration of angels, by the revelations of the Holy Ghost, by bringing forth the word of God to the people, by restoring authority to the children of men to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, and by committing to them a message which is required to be published among the inhabitants of the earth. It is very evident from what was declared by the ancient Apostle that another dispensation after his day was to be introduced among the inhabitants of the earth. We read, in the first chapter of Paul's epistle to the Ephesians, that in the dispensation of the fulness of times all things that are in Christ shall be gathered together in one. It is in accordance,

therefore, with this dispensation that we see the people gathering here in this Territory and extending their settlements east and west, north and south. But we are only a very few of the people that God intends to gather together in one in this dispensation. It is literally a dispensation of gathering, not merely a gathering together of those who are here on the earth in the flesh; but before it is completed all things in Christ which are in heaven will also be gathered and united with those who are in Christ on the earth. We have but barely commenced in this glorious dispensation. The Church has been organized by divine revelation, angels have appeared, the apostolic authority has been restored by the ministration of angels, and the kingdom of God has been set up in fulfillment of the promise made to the ancient Prophet Daniel—a kingdom

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