any other people, but it will be given to
the Saints of the Most High, and they
will possess it forever and ever.

Now, brethren and sisters, here
comes a question in my mind, this morn-
ing, which I think we ought to bring
home to ourselves, and that is—Are we,
as a people, doing our duty in keeping
the law and commandments of God, and
the covenants which we have made? If
we are we are justified, and we have a
claim upon the Holy Spirit and upon
the blessing and approbation of God. Many
things are required at the hands of the
Latter-day Saints, and there is not one of
us who has a lease of his life. The Elders
of this Church are passing away, and al-
most every Conference we look around
and find that somebody has left us; and
it will be but a short time before many
of us who are here today will have closed
our labors in the flesh, and we shall have
passed to the other side of the veil, and it
is important to us all that we should do
what is required of us. What we find to
do today we should not put off till tomor-
row.

The question may arise in some
minds—What is required of the Latter-
day Saints? I will tell you some things
that are required of us. The Lord re-
quires us to pay our Tithing; and an-
other thing is that we go to and build
the Temple in this city; whether we do
it or not it is required of us, and if
we fail, we, in my view, shall be un-
der condemnation. I consider that the
building of Temples is one of the im-
portant things required by the Lord of
the Latter-day Saints in the dispensa-
tion of the fullness of times, that we may
go into those Temples and not only re-
deem the living but redeem our dead.
We have been a good many years here
in the valleys of the mountains, and we
have not yet got a Temple finished to the
name of the Lord. We have one pretty
well forward in St. George, and I am
very glad of it; but we want one here.
We have got the foundation laid; it has
been standing a good many years, and
I think that we should go to and fin-
ish it, and do what we can to redeem
our dead. This is among the things for
which I think we shall be held respon-
sible. Very many of us in this Church
and kingdom have been gathered, as the
Prophet has said, one of a family and
two of a city, and many of our progeni-
tors, now in the spirit world, never saw
the face of an Apostle, Prophet, or in-
spired man, and they are shut up in
prison. Joseph Smith, Heber Kimball,
George A. Smith, and thousands of the
Elders of Israel may preach to those spir-
its, and they may receive the testimonies
which the Elders bear; but the Elders
will not baptize believers there; there
is no baptism in the spirit world any
more than there is any marrying and
giving in marriage. All these things have
to be done this side of the veil, in the
flesh. God is no respecter of persons;
he will not give privileges to one gener-
ation and withhold them from another;
and the whole human family, from fa-
thor Adam down to our day, have got to
have the privilege, somewhere, of hear-
ing the Gospel of Christ; and the gener-
ations that have passed and gone with-
out hearing that Gospel in its fullness,
power and glory, will never be held re-
ponsible by God for not obeying it, nei-
ther will he bring them under condem-
nation for rejecting a law they never saw
or understood; and if they live up to the
light they had they are justified so far,
and they have to be preached to in the
spirit world. But nobody will baptize