

THE LORD'S SUPPER—A WORD TO MOTHERS—THE SACRAMENT
IN SABBATH SCHOOLS—HISTORY OF SOME THINGS—
YOUNG MEN TO PRESIDE—HOME MANUFACTURES

DISCOURSE BY PRESIDENT BRIGHAM YOUNG, DELIVERED AT A SPECIAL CONFERENCE HELD
IN BRIGHAM CITY, BOX ELDER COUNTY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ORGANIZING A STAKE OF
ZION IN SAID COUNTY, ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 19, 1877

Reported by Geo. F. Gibbs

Previous to attending to the business to be presented to the congregation this afternoon, I feel to exhort the Latter-day Saints before me to try to realize the sacredness of the ordinance that is now being administered to them, which was introduced by our Savior, that his disciples might witness to the Father that they were truly his followers. On the last time that our Lord met with his disciples, previous to his being betrayed, he administered to them the sacrament. Instead of eating as at other times, he took the bread and blessed and brake it and gave to his disciples, saying to them that he should require of them to meet together to break bread in remembrance of his body, that would suffer for them and for the sins of the world. So when he had blessed and broken the bread, he administered the same to them, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body." When his disciples had eaten, he then took the cup of wine and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." He came here to redeem fallen man, he being the heir of the family that receive bodies on this earth, that they,

through obedience to his requirements and commandments and the ordinances of his house; may be sanctified and prepared to return unto the presence of the Father and there sit down with Jesus, where he will administer to them again in fulfillment of his saying to them, "I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until the day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

I would exhort my brethren and sisters to receive this ordinance every Sabbath, when they meet together, as is our practice; not following the customs of others, for with some denominations this is administered once a month, with others once in three months, with others never, they not believing in outward ordinances. This is the way with the Christian sects; they teach that portion of the Bible which seemeth right unto them and add such doctrines, views and opinions as suit their own creeds.

We are in the habit of partaking of the contents of the cup each Sabbath when we meet together, and I do pray you my brethren and sisters to contemplate this ordinance thoroughly, and seek unto the Lord with all your hearts that you may obtain the promised blessings by