to themselves in the spirit, and in or-

der that this work may be done, we must
have Temples in which to do it; and what
I wish to say to you, my brethren and sis-
ters, is that the God of heaven requires
us to rise up and build them, that the
work of redemption may be hastened.
Our reward will meet us when we go be-
hind the veil.

"Blessed are the dead which die in
the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith
the Spirit, that they may rest from their
labors; and their works do follow them."

We have labored in the St. George
Temple since January, and we have done
all we could there; and the Lord has
stirred up our minds, and many things
have been revealed to us concerning the
dead. President Young has said to us,
and it is verily so, if the dead could
they would speak in language loud as
ten thousand thunders, calling upon the
servants of God to rise up and build
Temples, magnify their calling and re-
dem their dead. This doubtless sounds
strange to those present who believe not
the faith and doctrine of the Latter-day
Saints; but when we get to the spirit
world we will find out that all that God
has revealed is true. We will find, too,
that everything there is reality, and that
God has a body, parts and passions, and
the erroneous ideas that exist now with
regard to him will have passed away. I
feel to say little else to the Latter-day
Saints wherever and whenever I have
the opportunity of speaking to them,
than to call upon them to build these
Temples now under way, to hurry them
up to completion. The dead will be af-
ter you, they will seek after you as they
have after us in St. George. They
called upon us, knowing that we held
the keys and power to redeem them.

I will here say, before closing, that
two weeks before I left St. George, the
spirits of the dead gathered around me,
wanting to know why we did not redeem
them. Said they, "You have had the use
of the Endowment House for a number
of years, and yet nothing has ever been
done for us. We laid the foundation of
the government you now enjoy, and we never
apostatized from it, but we remained
true to it and were faithful to God." These
were the signers of the Declaration
of Independence, and they waited
on me for two days and two nights. I
thought it very singular, that notwith-
standing so much work had been done,
and yet nothing had been done for them.
The thought never entered my heart,
from the fact, I suppose, that hereto-
fore our minds were reaching after our
more immediate friends and relatives. I
straightway went into the baptismal font
and called upon brother McCallister to
baptize me for the signers of the Declara-
tion of Independence, and fifty other emi-
nent men, making one hundred in all, in-
cluding John Wesley, Columbus, and oth-
ers; I then baptized him for every Pres-
ident of the United States, except three;
and when their cause is just, somebody
will do the work for them.

I have felt to rejoice exceedingly in
this work of redeeming the dead. I
do not wonder at President Young say-
ing he felt moved upon to call upon the
Latter-day Saints to hurry up the build-
ing of these Temples. He felt the im-
portance of the work; but now he has
gone, it rests with us to continue it,
and God will bless our labors and we
will have joy therein. This is a prepa-
ration necessary for the second advent
of the Savior; and when we shall have
built the Temples now contemplated,