and developed the purposes of the
Almighty to this Branch of Israel, the
Jews will be ready to receive the ser-
vants of God and the Gospel, which will
then be proclaimed to them. And when
we get through with Israel, there will re-
main the ten tribes to be restored, the
earth to be redeemed and the kingdom
of God to be established thereon; all of
which must be done in order that the
Scriptures may be fulfilled, and the de-
signs of God consummated. Our work
is mapped out before us, it is all de-
signed and planned by him who rules
above, and it is time that every Elder
in Israel fully understood this fact that
the Latter-day Saints have got to take
a part in all this work, and that we are
not here to attend to our own personal
affairs merely, but, we are called to look
after the interests of God, to build up his
Zion and establish his kingdom on this
his earth.

There is another class of men—the
Elders of Israel—that play a most im-
portant part. They are very numerous, and
it is time that they commenced to feel
after God, and to think and reason and
reflect: "What can I do to help to build
up the kingdom of God temporally and
spiritually. O God, inspire my heart with
light and revelation, that I may magnify
my calling, honor my position, teach the
principles of righteousness, and, help to
build up thy kingdom on the earth." This
is the way they should feel.

And I might refer to Presidents of
Stakes and to our High Councils; how
ought they to feel? That we are the ser-
vants of the living God; that the eye of
the great Jehovah is over us, and that
we are operating in the interests of Zion
and for her welfare in all things per-
taining to time and eternity. If they do
not do this, God will be after them, and
they will feel his hand upon them. For
as I have said, we are not here to build
up ourselves, but to build up Zion and
establish the principles of righteousness
upon the earth. That is our calling, that
is what the Priesthood is conferred upon
us for, and it behooves us to magnify it
and honor our God. Be governed by in-
tegrity and truthfulness, and never al-
low yourselves to be bartered or sold in
the interests of anybody, but operate for
Israel, doing justice before God and the
angels and all good men.

And then we have our Bishops; they
have their place in our midst, to attend
to the interests of their several Wards, to
look more particularly after the temporal
affairs of the people, and act and counsel
them as fathers for their good; and not in
their own interests, but for the good and
benefit of the whole. And then, in the ca-
pacity of High Priests, to take charge of
meetings, and instruct and counsel those
of their wards, always setting a pattern
in all that is upright, good and noble,
saying to the people, Follow me, as I fol-
low Christ. And as common judges in Is-
rael, they should be jealous of the peo-
ple’s rights, adjudicating all matters that
may come before them in all righteous-
ness.

Then we come to our Priests, and
what are they to do? I do not think I
need tell you, for I have heard brother
Richards tell you. They should visit
from house to house, and see that
there are no hard feelings existing in
those households, or between the in-
habitants of different households; and
such men ought to be full of the Holy
Ghost, standing as watchmen over the
flock committed to their care, trying
to put things right, and to keep them
right. The Teachers should be their
assistants, whose duty it is to see