

“A Testimony of the Truth of These Commandments” (D&C 67:4)

Read Doctrine and Covenants 67:4–9 together, looking for how the Lord responded to the elders’ concern about the revelations the Prophet Joseph Smith had received.

- According to verse 5, what had the elders been focusing on? How did this affect the way they viewed the revelations the Prophet had received?
- What did the Lord invite the elders to do?

Read the following statement from Joseph Smith’s history about what happened after Joseph received the revelation recorded in Doctrine and Covenants 67:

“[William] E. McLellin, as the wisest man in his own estimation, having more learning than sense, endeavored to write a commandment like unto one of the least of the Lord’s, but failed; it was an awful responsibility to write in the name of the Lord. The elders, and all present, that witnessed this vain attempt of a man to imitate the language of Jesus Christ, renewed their faith in the fulness of the gospel and in the truth of the commandments and revelations which the Lord had given to the church through my instrumentality; and the elders signified a willingness to bear testimony of their truth to all the world” (Manuscript History of the Church, vol. A-1, p. 162, josephsmithpapers.org).

Write one or more truths we can learn from these events: _____

- How can believing these truths help us exercise greater faith in the words of living prophets?

