

KUPUPURA KWA JOSEPH SMITH



© 1980 by Intellectual Reserve, Inc.
All rights reserved
Printed in the United States of America

Translation of *The Prophet Joseph Smith's Testimony*
Shona 1984

KUPUPURA KWA JOSEPH SMITH

Ndakaberekwa mugore raShe wedu 1805 musi wa 23 December (Zvita) muguta rionzi Sharon, mudunhu re Windsor, muruwa rwe Vermont. Baba vangu Joseph Smith, vakabva muruwa rwe Vermont vachitamira ku Palmyra, Ontario (yavekunzi Wayne zvino) muruwa rwe New York ini ndava namakore gumi okuberekwa, kana kuti ndapfuura ipapo zvishoma shoma.

Mushure mamakore mana tiri mu Palmyra, baba vakatamira kuManchester, mudunhu rakare re Ontario nemhuri yavo yose.

Mugore redu rechipiri tatamira kuManchester, vanhu venvzvimbo yataigara vakatangisa kuda kutaura nezvokunamata nenzira inoshamisa. Kwakatanga ma Whisiri, asi zvikapararira kuna mamwe mapoka nenguva shoma shoma. Chokwadi ruwa rwose rwakanga rwazara nomweya uyu vanhu vazhinji mumapoka na mapoka vakabatana mumasvondo akasiyana siyana. Zvakapesanisa nokugumanisa vanhu zvikuru, vamwe vaichema vachiti, "Kwedu kuno!" vamwe vachiti, "Kwedu chete!" Vamwe vaida MaWhisiri, vamwe vachida Presbyterian vamwe ma Baptist.

Kana dai zvazvo vanhu vakanga vatendeukira muzvikwata zvakasiyana siyana izvi panguva yokudzoka kwavo, vairatidza rudo rukuru, vafundisi vacho vairatidza kushinga kukuru mukukurudzira vanhu kuti vatendeuke, vachiti ivo munhu ngaapinde svondo yaanoda--asi Kutangisa kwakaita vanhu kubva mune iyi svondo vachienda mune iyo, zvakabva zvakonzena kusanzwana kwakanyanya kuvafundisi

nokuvanhu, zvakaita kuti zvose zvavaitaura zvokudana nokunzwana, zvibve zvava chinhu chisina maturo.

Nguva iyoyi ndakanga ndava negumi ramakore rina makore mashanu okuberekwa. Imba yababa vangu yose yakanga yasarudza kupinda Presbyterian, Lucy; amai vangu, madzikoma angu Hyrum na Samuel Harrison; nehanzvadzi yangu Sophronia.

Munguva iyoyi yokunyandanuka kwezvinhu mayererano nokunamata pfungwa yangu yakatambudzika ndikafunga zvikuru. Kunyange zvazvo pfungwa dzangu dzakanga dzakadzika ndakaramba ndakakwangwamara ndisiri mukati mavo kana zvazvo ndaipinda misangano yavo pandainge ndakwanisa. Mukufamba kwenguva pfungwa yangu yakavamba kurerekera kuma Whisiri, ndikanzwa mwoyo wangu uchiti ndibatane navo, asika kwakanga kuine kuplesana kwakanyanya kwazvo nokusapindirana pakati pedzisvondo dzakasiyanya siyana, zvokuti zvakanga zvakawoma chaizvo kuti mwana mudiki akanga akaita seni asina ruzivo rwavanhu nenyika akwanise kupatsanura kuti vokuti vari kuita zvakanaka vokuti vari kutadza.

Dzimwe nguva pfungwa yangu yaidzungaidzwa, kuchema nebishi zvakange zvakakura.

Mukati mokubishana kwese uku, nguva zhinji ndaizvibvunza kuti: Zvino chii chingaitwe? Nderipi boka pamapoka ose aya riri kuita zvakanaka; kana kuti ose mapoka ari pamwe chete ari kutadza? Kana paine boka riri kugona, nderipi racho, uye ndingarizive sei?

Ndichitambudzika nokupesana nebishi rakanga riri pakati pamapoka avanamati akasiyana siyana, rimwe zuva ndakanga ndichiverenga rugwaro rwa Jakobo;

muganhu wokutanga ndima yeshanu, inoti:
*Kana paine mumwe wenyu apererwa
 nenjere, bvunzai Mwari, uyo anopa
 kuvanhu vose zvakawanda,
 asingakahadzike, anozvipihwa.*

Hakuna chinhu chakarova mwoyo wangu nesimba samazwi aya panguva iyoyo. Mazwi aya akapinda nesimba guru mumwoyo wangu. Ndakafunga ndafungazve, ndichiziva kuti kana paine munhu aida njere kubva kuna Mwari, ndini, nokuti ndakanga ndisisazive chokuita, kunze kwokunge ndaitowana njere zhinji, hakuna chandaiziva; nokuti vafundisi vedzisvondo dzakasiyana siyana vaiva namatsananguriro avovo ndima yeBhaibheri iyi, zvokuti kwaitove kuparadza nguva kuti titsvake kupindirana muBhaibheri.

Zvaakaratidzwa

Pakupedzisira ndakanga ndisisazive zvokuita ndikafunga kuti kune zvinhu zviviri zvandaifanira kuita, kugara murima nokusaziva kana kuita sokutura kwa Jakobo kwokuti bvunza Mwari. Ndakashingirira kuti “ndibvunze Mwari”, ndikati ini kana achipa njere kune vasina, ndakafanira kuedza.

Saka mayererano nepfungwa dzangu dzokuti ndibvunze Mwari, ndakaenda musango kundozviedza. Raiva zuva raiyedza kwazvo, kusina namakore ose, ari mangwanani enguva yepfumvudza yokutanga mugore ra 1820, yaiva nguva yangu yokutanga kuita izvi, nokuti kana mumadzudzo ose andaiona handina kumboyedza kunamata ndichidudza mazwi.

Mushure mokusvika panzvimbo yandakanga ndasarudza kundonamata ndiri, ndakatarisa tarisa ndokuona kuti ndiri ndega, ndakapfugama ndokutangisa kunamata

ndichitaura zviri mumwoyo mangu kuna Mwari. Ndisati ndatombo dii, ndakanzwa kubatwa nechimwe chinhu chaiva nesimba rakabva randinetesa, richibva rabata rurimi rwangu zvokuti handina kuzogona kutaura. Ndakakwidibirwa nerima guru, ndakaona kwechinguvana hupenyu hwangu sohwapera.

Asi ndakaisa simba rangu rose mukudaidza Mwari kuti andinunure pasimba rechinhu chakanga chandiwira ichi. Chinguva ichocco ndiri mukutya kukuru uku, ndatozvipira kuti ndava kufa, muchinguva ichochi chandainzwa kubatwa nechinhu chinesimba randisina kunge ndakambonzwa muhupenyu hwangu hwose, ndakaona murazvo wechiedza uri pamusoro pangu chaipo. Chiedza ichi chakanga chakachena kupfuura chiedza chezuva, chikatanga kudzika zvishoma zvishoma dakara chawira pandiri.

Kusvika kwakangoita chiedza ichi pandiri muvengi uya akanga andibata akabva andiregera. Chiedza chava pandiri ndakaona zvimiro zvavanhу vaviri vaipenya zvinoshamisa, vamire pamusoro pangu mumhepo. Mumwe wavo akataura kwandiri, achindidaidza, nezita rangu, achinongedzera mumwe wacho--achiti, *Uyo mwanakomana wangu, mumunzwe*.

Chandakanga ndasimukira kuti ndindobvunza lshe, ndaida kuziva kuti svondo yakanaka ndeipi, kuti ndizive kuti ndopinda ipi. Ndakabvunza vanhu vaviri ava kuti svondo yakanaka ndeipi, yandingapinda. Ndakapindurwa kuti hakuna yandakafanira kupinda, nokuti dzose dzakanga dzichitadza zvino munhu akanga achitaura akati svondo dzose idzi dzinonyadzisa pamberi pake, vose vadzidzisi vadzo vaiva vakaipa, "vanhu vanoswedera kuna Mwari nemiromo yavo chete, asi mwoyo yavo iri kure naye,



**“Mayererano nepfungwa
dzangu dzokuti ndibvunze
Mwari, ndakaenda musango
kundozviedza.”**



**“Ndakaona murazvo
wechiedza uri pamusoro
pangu chaipo.”**

vanodzidzisa mirau yavanhu: vachinge vane humwari; asi vanoramba simba riripo."

Akandirambidza zvakare kusangana navo vedzisvondo: Akataura zvinhu zvizhinji kwandiri, zvandisinga kwanise kunyora iye zvino. Pandakazopepuka ndakaona ndakaita manhede, ndakatarisa kudenga...

Mushure mamazuva akati ndaona chiratidzo ichi, ndakataura nomumwe muparidzi wemaWhisiri tichitaura nezvokunamata. Ndakafunga kuti ndimutaurire nezvechiratidzo chandakanga ndaona. Kuita kwake kwakandishamisa. Akazviita zvinhu zvisina maturo, akati iye kuita kwa satani, akati hakuna zvakaita sezviratidzo nokuzarurirwa mazuva ano, akati zvishamiso zvose zvakapera kupera kwakaita vadzidzi va Jesu, akati nokudaro hakuchazofa kwakaita zvishamiso zvakare.

Ndakaona kuti kutaurira vanhu kwandakanga ndaita chiratidzo chandakanga ndaona kwakakonzenza kutaura kwakaipa pamusoro pangu, kukaita kuti nditambudzwe zvikuru; kuvengwa kukawanda, zvokuti kana dai zvazvo ndaiva kakomana kamakore gumi namana kana namashanu okuberekwa, ndisiri munhu aiva nechinhu chingashamisa, vanhu vakuru vari munzvimbo huru vaipesvera vanhu kuti vandivenge, zvokuti vaigara vachindifusa, izvi zvaiitwa nedzisvondo dzose, dzakabatana mukundivenga nokundifusa.

Zvakandinetsa ndikafunga zvakadzika kwazvo, kuti zvinoshamisa kuti mukomana mudiki wamakore gumi namana okuberekwa, asina chaainacho kana chinoshamisa, ari kutambudzikira hupenyu hwake, angava munhu akafanira kunetsa pfungwa dzavakuru vakuru vedzisvondo, zvokuti mumwoyo yavo muve noruvengo nokutuka kukuru. zvinoshamisa asi ndozvazvaiva, zvaindikonzenza kusuwa

kukuru.

Asika chakanga chiri chokwadi kuti ndakanga ndaona chiratidzo. Tinogaroti panguva iyoyo, ndakaita sa Paul, nguva dzaakazviturira pamberi paShe Agrippa, akarondedzera chiratidzo chaakanga aona nechiedza nezwi raakanzwa, asika vashoma vakazvitenda, vamwe vakati haataure chokwadi, vamwe vakati ava kupenga, akasekwa akatukwa. Asika zvose izvi hazvina kubvisa chiratidzo chaakanga aona. Akanga aona chiratidzo, aizviziva kuti akaona chiratidzo, hakuna kutukwa kana kufuswa kwakakura sei kwaizoita kuti ashaye kuziva kuti akanga aona chiratidzo, kana dai vaimunetsa nokumuita zvinoita kuti afe. Akadakara kusvika pakutandadza achizviziva kuti akanga aona chiratidzo, akaona chiedza akanzwa izwi richitaura kwaari, saka pasi pose hapaigona kumubvisa papfungwa iyi.

Ndozvazvakanga zvakaita kwandiri. Ndakanga ndanyatsoona chiedza, muchiedza imomo muina vanhu vaviri, vakataura kwandiri pachokwadi; saka kuvengwa kwangu ndichivengerwa kuti ndati ndakaona chiratidzo hakwaiyamura nokuti chaiva chokwadi. Zvino pavakanga vachindifusa, vachindituka nokundinyomba nokutaura zvakaipa pamusana pangu, nokundirevera nhema, ndakanzwa mwoyo wangu uchiti: Ko munondifusireiko ini ndichitaura chokwadi? Ndakaona chiratidzo, ko ini ndiri aniko angaite nharo naMwari, kana kuti iyo nyika inofungireiko kuti ndakafanira kuramba zvandakaona? Nokuti ndakanga ndaona chiratidzo ndaizviziva, ndaizivawo; kuti Mwari aizviziva, zve handaigona kuzviramba, handaitombozviita, ndaiziva kuti ndikazviramba ndava kutsamwisa Mwari zvinoita kuti ndiraswe.

Pfungwa yangu yakanga yaguta nokuita

kwevedzisvondo, ndikaziva kuti handaifanira kunamata navo kudakara ndataurirwa zvokuita. Ndakaona kuti mazwi a Jakobo akanga ari echokwadi, okuti avo vasina njere ngava bvunze Mwari, vagowana.

Kushanya kwa Moroni

Ndakaramba ndichiita mabasa angu andaiita kudakara muna September 21 mugore ra 1823, nguva yose iyi ndiri ndaiva mukati mokutambudzwa nokufuswa namapoka akasiyana siyana, anonamata na asinganamate, nenzira yokuti ndakaramba ndichiti ndakaona chiratidzo.

Kubvira panguva yandakaona chiratidzo kusvika mugore ra 1823, somunhu akanga akarambidzwa kupinda dzisvondo, zvino ndakanga ndichiri mudiki, ndiri ndaitambudzwa nokufuswa naavo vaifanira kunga vari shamwari dzangu sezvo vari vaifanira kundibata norudo, zvino kana dai vari vaifunga kuti ndava kupenga vaitofanira kunga vakandibata zvakapfava norudo kuti vandidzose, ndakasiwa ndega mukati mokuedzwa kukuru, ndichifamba mukati mavanhу vakasiyana siyana, zvaiita kuti ndikanganise zvizhinji, ndikava nokukundwa nohwana hudiki, nezviyedzo zvenyika. Sezvo zvakaita kuti ndipinde muzvinhu zvaishatirisa Mwari. Kureurura kwandinoita uku hakufanire kukuitai kuti mufunge kuti zvimwe ndaiita zvitema zvakasvibisia, kwete! Handina kunge ndiine mweya wokuita zvinhu zvakasvipa kudaro, ndaiva kure nazvo:

Nenzira yezvinhu zvose, izvi, ndainzwa, kuti ndakaraswa nenzira yokukundwa kwangu zvino ndaenda kundorara, ndakafunga kunamata nokukumbira ruregerero kuna Mwari rwezvitema zvangu zvose, nokukumbirawo kuti ndiisirwe zvinhu



**“Ndaona munhu (Moroni)
pedyo nomubheda
wangu . . . akati Mwari
anebassa raaneda kuti
ndiite.”**

pachena kuti ndizive kuti ndimire papi na Mwari. Nokuti ndakanga ndiine ruvimbo rwakakwana kuti ndinoratidzwa sokuratidzwa kwandakanga ndamboitwa.

Saka ndiri mukunamata kudai ndakaona chiedza mumba mangu, chikaramba chichikura kudakara imba yangu yachena sokunge masikati, ndikabva ndaona munhu pedyo nomubhedha wangu, amire mumhepo asina kutsika pasi.

Akanga aine hembe refu yakachena kuti mbuu yakanga yakachena kuchena kusina kufanana nechimwe chinhu pano pasi, zve handifunge kuti pane chinhu chiri pano pasi chingachena zvakadaro. Maoko ake akanga ari pachena, kana tsoka dzake dzakanga dziri pachena namakumbo ake akanga asina kushongedzwa. Mumusoro nomuhuro makanga musina chirimo. Akanga asina dzimwe nhumbi pamuviri wake kunze kwehembe iyoyo, nokuti yakanga yakazarurwa pachipfuva, zvokuti ndaiona zviri mukati.

Hadzizi nhumbi dzake chete dzakanga dzakachena, iye pachake akanga akachena zvinoshamisa, achipenya kumeso kwake sokupenya kwemvura. Mumba makabva mati ngwee, asi kwete sokuchena kwe chiedza chaiva paari. Pandakatanga kumuona ndakambotya, asi kutya uku kwakakurumidza kupera.

Akandidaidza nezita, akati kwandiri mutumwa waMwari atumwa kwandiri, zita rake ndi Moroni, akati Mwari anebasa raanoda kuti ndiite, akati zita rangu richanzwikwa kumarudzi nendimi dzose dzapasi pano munezvakaipa nezvakanaka, zvinoreva kuti vanhu vachataura zvakanaka ne zvakaipa, pamusoro paro.

Akati kune bhuku rakachengetwa, rakanyorwa pamafendef aegoridhe, anorungano rwavanhu vaigara munyika

muno, nekwavakabva. Akatiwo vhangeri
rokusingaperi rizere rakanyorwa
pamafendefa apa, sokuparidzirwa kwakaitwa
vanhu vaigara munyika iyi noMuponesi.

Zvikanziwo paiva namatombo maviri aiva
muhoto yendarama--matombo aya,
akaroverwa pazingwerengwa rinoiswa
pachipfuva, ndozvaidaidzwa kunzi Urim ne
Thummim--zvaiva zviri pamwe chete
namafendefa aya; zvino matombo aya aiva
“ari matsvene” akagadzirwa naMwari
kuyamura mukududzira zvinyorwa zvebhuku.

Anditaurira zvinhu izvi akatanga
kunditaurira mashoko avaprofita
vemuBhaibheri dzaru. Akatangisa
kunditsanagurira mutsauko wechitatu
webhuku ra Malachi; akataurawo mazwi
anobva mubhuku romuprofita iyeyu
chitsauko chechina kana chokupedzisira,
zvisina kunyatsove zvime chete
nezvatinoverenga mumabhaibheri edu
mayererano nezvomuprofita Malachi. Kunze
kwokuti ataure mazwi endima yokutanga
sezvaakaita mubhaibheri, akaataura achiti:

*Tarisai kuri kuuya zuva richapisa
somoto wemvuto, nokudaro vose
vanozvikudza, hongu, navo vose vanoita
zvakaipa, vachatsva sesora, nokuti avo
vachauya vachavapisa, ndiko kutaura
kwaShe weHondo haavasiye vaine mudzi
kana bazi.*

Akataura mazwi endima yeshanu zvakare
achiti: *Tarirai ndichakuratidzai pachena
hufundisi hwamuchatsanangurirwa
nomuprofita Elijah, zuva rinotyisa rokuuya
kwaShe risati rasvika.*

Akataurazve mazwi endima inotevera
achiti: *Achadyara mukati memwoyo
yavana chitsidzo chakaitwa kumadzibaba
avo, nokudaro mwoyo yavana,
ichatendeukira kumadzibaba. Dai zvanga
zvisingadaro, pasi pose paiparara nomusi*

wokuuuya kwake.

Achipamhidzira mazwi, aya akataura mazwi erugwaro rwa Isaiah, muganhu wegumi neimwe, akati iye zvakanyorwa murugwaro urwu zvava kuda kuzozadziswa. Akataurawo mazwi ekuMabasa ava Positora muganhu wechitatu, ndima yamakumi maviri nembiri nendima yamakumi maviri nenhatu, sokunyorwa kwadzakaitwa muTestamende Itsva. Akati "muprofita iyeyo ndi Kristu, asi zuva harisati rasvika rokuti avo vakaramba kunzwa izwi rake vachabviswa mukati mavanhu," asi zuva riri pedyo kusvika."

Akataurawo zvakare mazwi a Joel, anowanikwa murugwaro rwake, mumuganhu wepiri, kubvira pandima yamakumi maviri anetsere kusvika pandima yokupedzisira. Akatiwo mazwi aya naiwo haasati azadzikiswa, asi achazadzikiswa muchinguva chiri kutevera. Akataurawo kuti kuponeswa kwaavo vasina kumboziva Mwari kwava kuzosvika. Akataura pamusoro pamamwe magwaro, akatsanangura zvizhinji zvinga kwanisike kutaurwa pano.

Akanditaurira zvakare kuti kana ndawana mafendefi aya aakanga anditaurira--handina kufanira kuaratidza munhu--nokuti nguva yawo yakanga isati yasvika; kana kutaura nezve--ngwerengwa rine Urim ne Thummim; kunze kwaavo vandinenge ndaudzwa kuti ndiratidze kudai nezvemafendefi, pfungwa yangu yakazaruka-e ndikaona panzvimbo paiva namafendefi aya, ndakanyatsoaona zvekuti pandakazoenda kunzvimbo iyi ndakanga ndava kutoiziva. Apedza kutaura neni kudai ndakaona chiedza chose chava pamurume uyu akanga achitaura neni, imba yose ikaita rima kunze kwepaakanga amire iye chete: pakarepo ndikaona kanzira kakati tasa kachienda kudenga, akabva akwira nako, dzamara ndisisamuone, imba ikasara yaita zvayakanga yakaita chiedza

chokudenga ichi chisati chapinda.

Ndakasara ndirere ndichifunga
nechishamiso ichi, ndichishamiswawo
zvikuru nezvandakanga ndataurirwa
nenhumwa inoshamisa iyi, pakarepo, ndiri
mukati mokufunga uku, pfungwa
dzakadzama chaizvo, ndakayerekana
ndaona imba yangu yava kutangisa kuchena
zvakare, muchinguva ichocho, ndikaona
mutumwa wa Mwari andakanga ndabva
kutura naye amira pedyo nomubheda
wangu zvakare.

Akatangisa kunditaurira zve zvose zvinhu
zvaakange ambonditaurira pakushanya
kwake kwokutanga, asina paaipesanisa:
apedza izvi akandiudza nokutongwa kukuru
kuchauya panyika, nokutambudzika kukuru
kunokonzerwa nenzara, nehondo,
nezvirwere; akatiwo kutongwa uko kunouya
kuchizvarwa chiripo iye zvino. Apedza
kutura izvi akakwira kudenga sokukwira
kwaakanga aita pakutanga.

Panguva iyi mazwi andakanga
ndataurirwa akanga andisvika pamwoyo,
zvokuti handina kuzowana hope, ndakarara
ndichishamiswa nezvandakanga ndaona
nokunzwa. Munofunga ndakashamiswa
zvakadii kuona mutumwa uya zvakare ave
pedyo nomubhedha wangu zvakare,
ndichiterera zve achidzokorora zvaakanga
ambonditaurira zvose, akagondiyambirawo,
achiti satani achandiyedza (nokuona
hurombo hweimba yababa vangu), kuti
nditore mafendefa egoridhe aya
ndiatengese, ndipfume. Akandirambidza
pfungwa yakadaro, akati ndakafanira kutora
mafendefa aya kuti Mwari akudzwe, parege
kuva nechimwe chinhu kunze kwokuda
kuvaka humambo hwaMwari, nokuti kana
ndaiva neimwe pfungwa isiri iyi handaiwana
mafendefa egoridhe aya.

Mushure mokushanya kwake kwechitatu

uku, akakwira zvakare kudenga, ini ndikasara ndichifunga nezvinhu zvinoshamisa zvandakanga ndaona nhumwa iyi ichangobva mukukwira kudenga, ndakanzwa jongwe kurira, ndikaona kuti kunze kwave kutoedza, zvakandiratidza kuti hurukuro yedu yakanga yatora usiku hwose.

Mushure mechinguvana ndakamuka, ndikaenda kumabasa angu amazuva ose; asi pakuedza kuti ndiite basa, ndakaona ndisina simba ndakaneta, ndisingagone kubata kana chii zvacho. Baba vangu vakanga vachiita basa pamwe chete nen, vakaona kuti handisi kukwanisa kushanda, vakanditi ndiende kumba. Ndakafunga kuti ndiende kumba, asi, pandakati ndidarike ruzhowa rwokunze kwomunda, ndakabva ndashaya simba, ndikapunzika, kwechinguva ndakaramba ndakangoti pfavava ndisina chandiri kuziva.

Chokutanga chandichaziva ndechokunzwa izwi richindidaidza nezita rangu chairo, ndakatarisa kudenga ndikaona nhumwa iya yakambouya kwandiri, yakakomberedzwa nechiedza senguva dzose. Akanditaurira zvoze zvaakambenge anditaurira usiku, akanditi ndiende kuna baba vangu ndindovataurira zvandakaratidzwa nemirau yandakaudzwa.

Ndakateerera, ndakadzokera kumunda kwaiva nababa vangu, ndikavaudza nyaya yose. Vakapindura vachiti ndezvaMwari, vakandiudza kuti ndiende ndindoita sokutumwa kwandakanga ndaitwa nomutumwa. Ndakabva mumunda ndikaenda kunzvimbo yandakanga ndaudzwa nomutumwa kwakanga kwakavigwa mafendef aye. Nenzira yokujekeserwa kwandakanga ndaitwa mayerano namafendef aya, ndakabva ndaziva nzvimbo iyi kusvika kwandakaita pairi.

Magwaro Anoyerwa

Pedyo nomusha we Manchester mudunhu re Ontario, mu New York, pane gomo guru kwazvo, riri iro rakareba kupfuura mamwe ose munzvimbo iyoyi. Nechokumadokero egomo iri, pedyo napamusoro pegomo, ndo paiva namafendefa aya, akaiswa mubhokisi rebwe. Ibwe iri rakanga riri gobvu rakaita denderedzwa nechapamusoro, richitetepa kumhenderekedzo, zvaiita kuti pakati paro pabude kunze pachionekwa, asi kumwe kwose kwakanga kuri muvhuh.

Ndabvisa ivhu, ndakatora danda, ndikapinyura dombo iri. Ndakatarisa mukati, ndikaona chokwadi nuine mafendefa aya, Urim ne Thummim, zvose nezingwerengwa sokutaura kwakaita nnumwa. Bhokisi rakanga riine mafendefa aya rakanga rakaitwa namabwe akabatanidzwa. Pasi pebokisi iri paiva namatombo maviri akachinjikwa, pamusoro pamatombo aya ndopaiva namafendefa nezvime zvose.

Ndakada kuatora ndikabva ndarambidzwa nomutumwa uya ndikaudzwawo kuti nguva yokuti aburitswe haisati yasvika, haizosvika kudakara kwaperera makore mana kubvira musi, iwovo; asi akanditi ndakafanira kudzokera panzvimbo iyi kamwe chete pagore, iye achisangana neni ikoko kudakara nguva yokuti mafendefa aya achitorwa, isvike.

Sokutaurirwa kwandakanga ndaita, ndaienda kunzvimbo iyi kamwe chete pagore, ndichindosangana nomutumwa uya, ndichitaurirwa kuti Mwari achaita sei, zve nokutiwo anoda kuti Hushe Hwake huitwe sei mumazuva okupedzisira.

Sezvo baba vangu vakanga vasiri mupfumi, taifanirwa kushanda namaoka edu, tichindoshandira vamwe nezvime

zvakadaro. Dzimwe nguva tainge tiri pamusha, dzimwe nguva tiri kumwe, asi nokushanda uku, takakwanisa kudya tichiguta.

...Mumwedzi wa October, 1825, ndakatorwa kuti ndindoshandira mumwe murume akanga ati kurei ainzi Josiah Stoal, wedunhu re Chanango, New York.

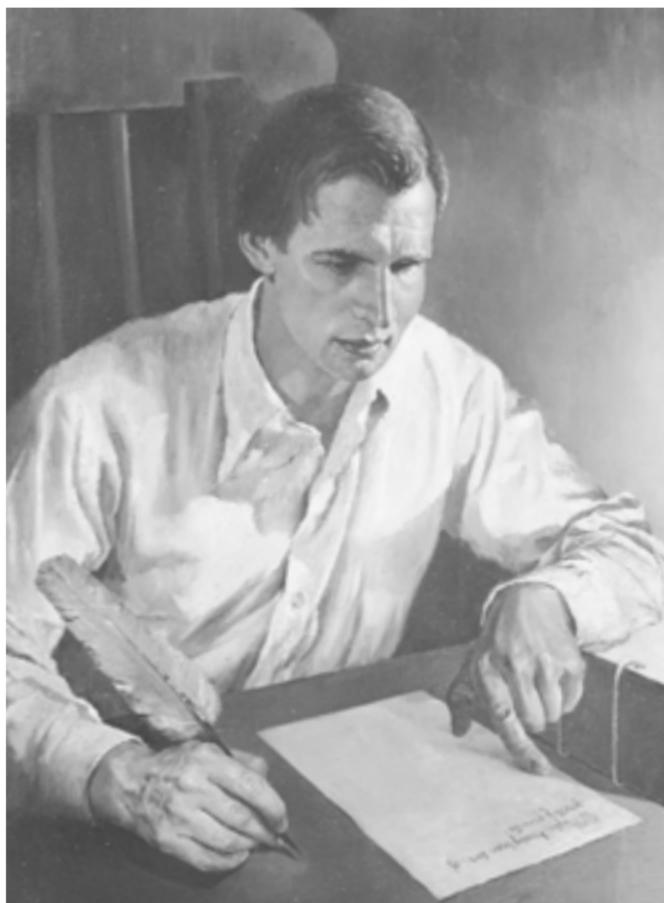
Panguva yandaishandira murume uyu ndakanga ndichigara nava Isaac Hale, voku Harmony, mudunhu re Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. Ndiko kwandakaonera mudzimai wangu, (mwana wake), Emma Hale. Musi wa January 18, gore ra 1827 takachata, ndichiri kushandira va Stoal. Mushure mokuchata kwangu, ndakabuda basa kwava Stoal, ndikaenda kuna baba vangu ndikandorima navo gore iroro.

Nguva yokuti mafendefa aya neUrim ne Thummim zvichitorwa yakasvika. Muzuva rechimakumi maviri ane maviri mumwedzi wa September, mugore ra 1827, ndakaenda setsika yangu kunzvimbo iya yakanga yakachengeterwa mafendefa aya, mutumwa wa Mwari uya akandigashidza mafendefa aya iye ega. Akati ndiachengetedze kwazvo kushaye chinouya kwaari, kuti kana ndikarega achienda nokushaya hanya, kana kurasika, ndinobva ndabviswa: asi kana ndikaedza kwose kwandinako kuachengetedza, kudakara kusvika nguva yaachadzokerwa nomutumwa waMwari, hakuna chinozoawana.

Hazvina kunditorera nguva huru ndisati ndaona chikonzero chakaita kuti mutumwa waMwari andipe mirau yakaoma kwazvo mayererano namafendefa aya, nezvaakange ataura kuti kana ini ndapedza zvinodiwa kuti ndiite nawo iye aizouya oatora. Nokuti nguva yazvakangozikanwa chete kuti ndinawo vazhinji vakaedza nenjere namasimba avo ose kuti vaabvute kwandiri. Kwakayedzwa



**Pakupedzisira nguva
yokugamuchidzwa
mafendefa yakasvika.**



**“ndatangisa kunyora
zvandakanga ndichibvisa
pamafendefā”**

zvakasiyana siyana kuti nditorerwe mafendefa aya. Kufuswa nokunetswa kwakakura, vanhu vakaedza kwose kwavaigona kuti vandibvutire mafendefa aya. Asi nokuda kwaMwari hakuna akakwanisa kuabvuta dakara ndapedza zvandaiita nawo. Sokuronga kwatakanga taita, mutumwa waMwari akadzoka akazotora mafendefa aya, iye zvino anawo akaachengeta kusvikira nguva ino zuva rechipiri romwedzi wa May, 1838.

Vanhу vakaramba vachishushikana nokuda kuziva zvandaiva, zvokuti kune nhema dzinotaurwa mayererano nemhuri yababa vangu uye nezvangu. Dai ndikada kutaura zvishoma shoma chaizvo nezvaiita vanhu ku mhuri yababa vangu ndingatozadza mabhuku mazhinji kwazvo. Ndakatambudzwa zvakanyanya zvokuti ndakafunga kubva mu Manchester, ini nomudzimai wangu takaenda ku Susquehanna muruwa rwe Pennsylvania. Tiri mukugadzirira rwendo urwu, zvinhu zvakanga zvakatiomera savanhu vakanga vari varombo, vari mukati mokutambudzwa zvakaipa, takawana shamwari murume ainzi Martin Harris, akuuya kwatiri akandipa makumi mashanu amadhora kuti tikwanise kuenda rwendo rwedu. VaHarris vaigara muguta re Palmyra, mudunhu reWayne, muruwa rwe New York, aive murimi akanga achikudzwa kwazvo.

Noruyamuro rukuru urwu ndakakwanisa kutamira kunzvimbo yandaida ku Pennsylvania. Kusvika kwandakaita panzvimbo iyi ndakabva ndatangisa kunyora zvandakanga ndichibvisa pamafendefa aya. Ndakanyora zvakanyanya ndikayamurwa kuzviturikira ne Urim ne Thummim, izvi zviri zvandakakanisa kuita kubvira panguva yandakasvika pamusha pavatezvera vangu mumwedzi wa December, kusvika muna

February.

Makare mumwedzi wa February, vaHarris vaya vakauya panzvimbbo patakanga tigere, vakatora zvandakanga ndanyora, vakaenda nazvo ku guta re New York. Kuti munzwe zvakaitika kwavari nezvinyorwa zvacho, totonzwa zvavakataura ivo pachavo kudzoka kwavakaita.

Vakati: "Ndakaenda kuguta re New York, ndokundoratidza zvinyorwa zvakanga zvaturirwa kuno mumwe murume akanga akafunda zvikuru ainzi Charles Anthon. Murume uyu akati kududzira kwakanga kwaitwa kwezvinyorwa zviri pamafendef a ndokwe chokwadi kupfuura zvime zvaaichiona zvakadudzirwa kubva mumutauro wema Ejipita. Ndakamuratidza mafendef a asati adudzirwa akati iye akanyorwa nechi Ejipita, chiChaldaic, chiAssyriac uye nechirudzi chama Arabu, akati zvose ndezvechokwadi. Akabva andipa rugwaro rwokuti ndindoratidza vanhu vePalmyra kuti zvinyorwa izvi ndezvechokwadi zvakadudzirwa nomazvo. Ndakatambira gwaro iri ndikaisa muhomwe. Ndava kuda kuenda, va Anthon vakandidaidza vakati ndidzokere muhofisi mavo, vakandibvunza kuti ko iye mwana mudiki akadai akaziva sei kuti ndiro dzegoridhe idzi dzaiva panzvimbbo paakadziwana. Ndakapindura ndichiti akaratidzwa nengirozi yaMwari.

"Akabva ati kwandiri, 'Ndipe tione rugwaro rwandakupa.' Ndakaburitsa rugwaro rwuya ndikamupa, arutora akarubvarura, achiti hakuna chinhu chinonzi ngirozi dzinotaura pano pasi, akati zve dai ndikamupa mafendef a acho aizoaturikira iye. Ndakamutaurira kuti mamwe amafendef a aya akanga akanamwa, zve handaibvumirwa kumupa. Akapindura achiti, 'Handiverenge bhuku rakanamwa.' Ndakamusiya ndikaenda

kuna Dr. Mitchell, uyo akasvikobvumirana naAnthon mayererano nokududzirwa kwakanga kwaitwa zvinyorwa zvapamafendef aegoridhe."

Musi wa 5 April, mugore ra 1829, paimba pangu pakauya murume ainzi Oliver Cowdery, murume uyu handina kumbenge ndakamuona hupenyu hwangu hwose. Akandiudza kuti akanga achidzidzisa pachikoro chaiva pedyo nomusha wababa vangu, nokudaro iye akatombogara mumba mababa vangu, zvokuti achigarako akataurirwa nezvokutambira kwangu mafendef aya, saka iye akanga auya kuzonzwa nezvebasa iri.

Kwapera muzuva maviri va Cowdery vasvika (zvinoreva kuti wakanga wava musi wa 7 April), ndatotangisa kududzira Bhuku ra Mormon, iye achindinyorera.

Hufundisi Hunodzorerwa Pakare

Tichifambira mberi nebara redu rokududzira zvinyorwa zvapandiro dzegoridhe, rimwe zuva mumwedzi wa May 1829, takaenda musango kundonamata tichibvunza kuna Mwari nezvorubhabhatidzo runobvisa zvitadzo, rwatakanga tanzwa ruchitaurwa muzvinyorwa.

Tiri mukati mukunamata nokukumbira Mwari kudai, mutumwa wa Mwari akaburuka kubva kudenga ari mugore jena, akaisa maoko ake pamusoro pedu, ndokutipa masimba achiti:

"Pamuri, hama varanda, muzita ra Mesia ndinokupai simba reHufundisi hwa Aaron, uhwo hune kiyi dzokuparidza kwengirozi, nedze Vhangeri rokutendeuka, nerokubhabhatidza kwokunyudza mumvura kubvisa zvitadzo, izvi hazvichazobviswa zvakare panyika, kudakara vana va Levi vapira mupiro wavo zvakare kuna Ishe

mukururama."

Akati Hufundisi hwa Aaron hahuna simba rokuisa munhu maoko pamusoro kuti agashire Mweya Mutsvene, asi kuti izvi zvichazoitwa kватiri pashure, ndokutiudza kuti tindobhabhatidzwa, ndokuti ini ndibhabhatidze Oliver Cowdery, iye agozondibhabhatidzawo.

Naizvozvo takaenda tikandobhabhatidzwa. Ndakatanga ndamubhabhatidza, akazondibhabhatidzawo mushure mezvo ndakamuisa maoko pamusoro ndikamupa simba reHufundisi hwa Aaron, mushure mezvo iye akandiisawo maoko pamusoro akandipawo masimba eHufundisi humwe chetehwo nokuti ndozvatakanga taudzwa kuti tiite.

Mutumwa waMwari akatishanyira musi uyu achizotipa Hufundisi akati anonzi Jowani, mumwe cheteyo na Jowani muBhabhatidzi wemu Testemende Itsva, akatiwo akanga atumwa na Peter, James, na John, avo vaiva ne kiyi dzeHufundisi hwa Melchizedek, huri Hufundisi hwakanga huchazopihwa isu nokufamba kwenguva, nokutiwo ini ndichadaidzwa somufundisi wo kutanga we Svondo, nokuti iye (Oliver Cowdery) anenge ari wechipiri. Rakanga riri zuva regumi neshanu mumwedzi wa May 1829, patakagadzwa nenhumwa yaMwari, tikabhabhatidzwa.

Tichangobuda mumvura mushure mokubhabhatidzwa kwedu, takaona zvinhu zvizhinji zvamaropafadzo akabva kuna Baba wedu Wokudenga. Ndichingobva mukubhabhatidza Oliver Cowdery mwuya Mutsvene wakabva wasvika paari, akasimuka akaprofita zvinhu zvichaitika panguva pfupi iri mberi. Neniwo ndichangobva mukubhabhatidzwa ndakava nomwuya wokuprofita, ndikasimuka ndikaprofita kumuka kwe Svondo ino,

nezvimwe zvizhinji zviri mayererano
neSvondo ino, nezvechizvarwa chazvino.
Takazadzwa noMweya Mutsvene, tikafara
munu Mwari wedu woruponeso.

Pfungwa dzedu dzajekeswa zvino
takatangisa kunzwisia magwaro, tikatangisa
kuziva zvaireva ndima dzamagwaro aya
ayishamisa nenzira yatakanga tisingagone
kuita pakutanga, zvatisina kumbofungira.
Panguva iyo takaona kuti hakuna
atinotaurira nokugashira kwedu Hufundisi
nezvokubhabhatidzwa kwedu, nenzira yokuti
takanga tichiona mweya wakanga wava
munzvimbo iyi wokusatida.

Takanga tayambirwa kuti ticharohwa
nemhomho yavanhu, izvi zvichiitika nguva
nenguva, zvichiitwa navanhu vakadzidza
magwaro ezkvokunamata zvikuru. Zvavaida
kutiita zvaitadziswa nokunyara kwavaiita
mhuri yavatezvera vangu, (kuburikidza
nokuda kwaMwari), avo vakanga vachindida
chaizvo, vasingade mhomho dzavanhu,
vachida kuti ndiite basa rangu rokududzira
zvinyorwa pasina zvipingaidzo, vakatipa
nokutivimbisa rudziviriro muzvinhu zvose
zvakaipa zvaifungwa navanhu (Joseph
Smith 2:3-75)

Vapupuri

Tiri mukati mebasisa rokududzira zvinyorwa
iri, takati ngakuve navapupuri vatatu
vanomiswa naMwari, agovapa mvumo
yokuona mafendefa aiva nezvinyorwa
zvaizo-dudzirwa kuti Bhuku ra Mormon
rinyorwe, nokutiwo vapupuri ava vakafanira
kupupura zvichanyorwaho, muBhuku
raMormon, nera Ether, muganho weshanu,
ndima yechipiri, yechitatu neyechina;
nebhuku ra 2 Nephi, muganhu wamakumi
maviri nenomwe ndima yegumi nembiri.
Pakarepo tichangobva mukuita izvi, Oliver

Cowdery, David Whitmer na Martin Harris vakati dai ini ndavakumbirira kuna Mwari kuti tizive kuti havangaitwe here vapupuri vatatu vaya vari kudiwa. (Mwari akavhunzwa, zvikaiswa pachena kuti varume vatatu ava ndivo vapupuri.)

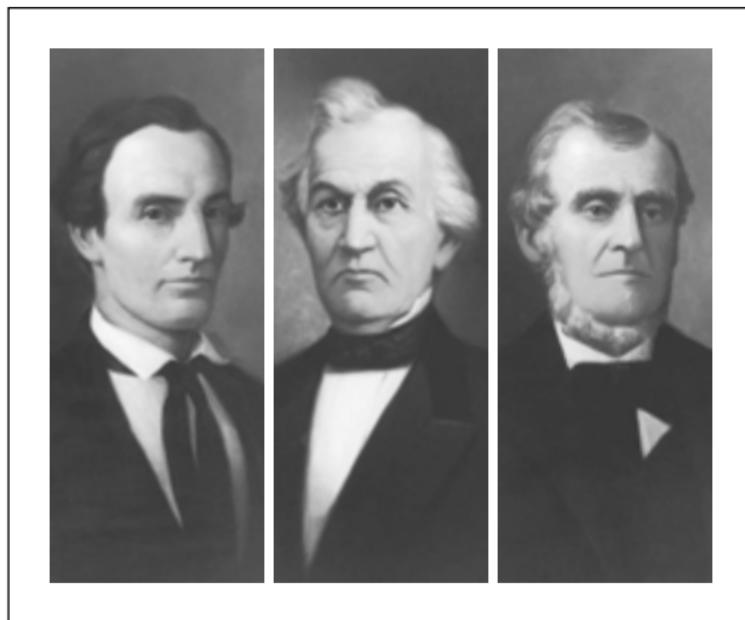
Kusati kwapera mazuva mazhinji, Martin Harris, David Whitmer, Oliver Cowdery nenii takabvumirana kuti tiende kusango tindoyedza nesimba nokuzvirerekwa, kukumbira nomunamato kuti zvakavimbisa zvizadziswe--kuti vabvumiwe kuona mafendefaa ane zvinyorwa. Saizvozvo takasarudza chisango chaiva pedyo neimba yava Whitmer, ndokuendako, ndokutanga kunamata norutendo rukuru kuna Samasimba, Mwari, kuti atipe zvaakativimbisa.

Sokuronga kwatakagara takaita, ndakatanga ini kunamata kuna Baba wedu ari Kudenga, vamwe vangu vachizoteverawo mumwe nomumwe. Pakutanga hapana mhinduro kana chiratidzo chatakaona. Takanamatazve tichitevedza sapakutanga, mumwe nomumwe wedu achinamata, waanotevera apedza, nesimba guru kuna Mwari, asi hakuna chakaitika zvakare.

Takundikana kechipiri, Martin Harris akati akafanira, kubva patiri nokuti aiva nechifungidziro chokuti iye ndiyie aitadzisa miteuro yedu kudairwa. Akabva patiri, isu tikapfugama, asi tisati tanamata kwenguva huru takaona chiedza pamusoro pedu chaipenya zvikuru; tikaona ngirozi yamira pamberi pedu. Mumaoko mayo yakanga yakabata mafendefaa aya. Yakavamba kutiratidza zvakanyorwa paari tikazviona zvakanaka chaizvo. Akataura kuna David Whitmer achiti, "David, Ishe ngaakomborerwe, neuyo anochengeta mirau yake ngaakomborerwe," mushure mezvo,



**Musi wa 15 May, 1829
Johane Mubhabhatidzi
akagadza
hufundisi hwa Aaron
pana Joseph Smith
na Oliver Cowdery.**



“Tikaona mafendefa,
nezvakanga zvakanyorwa
paari . . . tinopupura kuti
zvinhu izvi ichokwadi.”

takanzwa izwi richibva muchiedza richiti, "Mafendefaya akaburitswa pachena nesimba raMwari, nokudaro akadudzirwa nesimba raMwari. Kududzirwa kwawo kwamaona ndokwe chokwadi, saka ndinokuudzai kuti mupupure zvamaona nezvamanzwa."

Panguva iyi ndakasiya David na Oliver ndikatevera Martin Harris, andakawana ari panzvimbo yaiva chinhambwe, achinamata zvinamasimba. Akandiudza kuti hapana chaakanga aona nokudaro akandikumbirisa kuti ndinamate naye, kuti naiyewo awane maropafadzo atakanga isu tawana. Takanamata pamwe chete tikabva tawana zvataida, nokuti tisati tanamata kwenguva huru, takaona chiratidzo sechandakanga ndamboona pakutanga, ndikaudzwa zvandakanga ndamboudzwa, panguva iyoyi Martin Harris akadaidzira nokufara kukuru achiti, "Zvakwana, zvakwana! maziso angu aona; maziso angu aona," akasvetuka achidaidzira kuti, "Hosana," achiropafadza Mwari nokufara kukuru.

Vawana zvavaida, kuburikidza nenyasha dla Mwari, zvakanga zvasarira kuvarume vatatu ava kuti vazadzise mirau yavakanga vagashira, kuti vapupure pamusoro pezvinhu izvi! Kuti vaite izvi vakanyora rugwaro rwuri kutevera urwu:

Huchapupu Hwavatatu Hwa Vakaona

"Ngazvizikanwe kumarudzi ose, mumitauro yakasiyana siyana, nokuna vose vachaverenga rugwaro urwu: Kuti isu nokunaka kwa Mwari Baba naShe Jesu Kristu, takaona mafendefaya anezvinyorwa izvi, zvinotaura rungano rwavanhu vanonzi ma Nephi, nava Lamanites nehama dzavo, navanhuwo vokwa Jared vakabva

kunzvimbo yakataurwa kare. Tinozivawo kuti akadudzirwa nechipo nesimba raMwari, nokuti izwi Rake rakanitaurira; saka tinoziva nechokwadi kuti basa iri ndere chokwadi. Tinopupurawo kuti takaona zvinyorwa zviri pamafendef aya: zviri zvakaratidzwa kwatiri nesimba raMwari, kwete romunhu. Tinotaura namazwi, akapfava, kuti ngirozi yakadzika kubva kudenga, ikauya ikaisa pamberi pamaziso edu, tikaona mafendef a, nezvakanga zvakanyorwa paari; tinoz'vawo kuti inyasha dazMwari Baba, naShe wedu Jesu Kristu, dzaita kuti tione kuti tinopupura kuti zvinhu izvi ichokwadi. Zvinoshamisa mumaziso edu. Zvisinei izwi raShe wedu rakanituma kuti tive vapupuri kuzvinhu izvi; saka kuti **tiite** sokuda kwomurau waMwari, tinopupura kuti takazviona zvinhu izvi. Tinozivawo kuti kana tinorutendo muna Kristu tinoziva nechokwadi kuti basa iri ndere chokwadi. Tinopupurawo kuti takaona zvinyorwa zviri pamafendef aya: zviri zvakaratidzwa kwatiri nesimba raMwari, kwete romunhu. Tinotaura namazwi, akapfava, kuti ngirozi yakadzika kubva kudenga, ikauya ikaisa pamberi pamaziso edu, tikaona mafendef a, nezvakanga zvakanyorwa paari; tinozivawo kuti inyasha dazMwari Baba, naShe wedu Jesu Kristu, dzaita kuti tione kuti tinopupura kuti zvinhu izvi ichokwadi. Zvinoshamisa mumaziso edu. Zvisinei izwi raShe wedu rakanituma kuti tive vapupuri kuzvinhu izvi; saka kuti **tiite** sokuda kwomurau waMwari, tinopupura kuti takazviona zvinhu izvi. Tinozivawo kuti kana tinorutendo muna Kristu tichabvisa ropa ravanhu vose riri panhumbi dzedu, tigowanikwa tisina kana kavara pamberi pechigar o chokutonga chaKristu, nokudaro tinozogara naye muhupenyu husingaperi kudenga. Kukudzwa ngakuve kuna Baba, nokuMwanakomana, nokuMweya Mutsvene,

ari Mwari mumwe chete. Amen."

Oliver Cowdery
David Whitmer
Martin Harris

Mushure mokuitika kwezvinhu zvose izvi,
kwakawanikwa humwe huchapupu
hwakanyorwa pasi uhу.

Huchapupu Hwevanhu Vasere

"Ngazvizikanwe kumarudzi ose,
mumitauro yakasiyana siyana nokuna vose
vachaverenga rugwaro urwu: Kuti Joseph
Smith, akadudzira gwaro rino akatiratidza
mafendefa aya akataurwa, anoratidzika
segoridhe; tikabata namaoko edu huzhinji
hwamafendefa aakanga apedza kududzira;
tikaonawo zvinyorwa zvaiva pamafendefa
apa, zvose zvichiratidza kunyora kwe
chinyakare, noruoko rwenyanzvi.

Izvi tinozvipupura takapfava, kuti Joseph
Smith akatiratidza zvinhu izvi, nokuti takaona
tikasimudza namaoko edu, saka tinoziva
zvechokwadi kuti Joseph Smith anawo
mafendefa atataura. Tinopa mazita edu
kunyika, kupupura kunyika zvatakaona. Zve
hatinyepi, Mwari anotipupurira."

Christian Whitmer
Jacob Whitmer
Peter Whitmer
(Mwana)
John Whitmer

Hiram Page
Joseph Smith
(Baba)
Hyrum Smith
Samuel H. Smith

Takamirira zvino kuti zvatakavimbiswa
nengirozi iya yakatigadza Hufundisi hwa
Aaron zvichizadziswa, takavimbiswa kuti
tikaramba tiine rutendo, tichawanavo
Hufundisi hwaMelchizedek hunesimba
rokuisa vanhu maoko pamusoro kuti
vagashire Mweya Mutsvene.



Hufundisi hwaMelchizedek
hwakagamuchidzwa kubva
mumaoko a Petro, Jakobu
naJohane.

(Muprofita akati Hufundisi hwa Melchizedek hwakagashirwa nokuna Peter, James na John, panzvimbo yakatevedza rwizi rwunonzi Susquehanna, pakati pe Harmony, Susquehanna, Pennsylvania ne Colesville iri ruwa rwe Broome, New York.)

Svondo Yamiswa

Bhuku ra Mormon riri mukudhindwa takafambira mberi tichipa huchapupu, nokudzidzisa, pose patainga tawana mukana, tikazivisavo vamwe vedu kuti takapihwa murau wokuti titangise Svondo; nokudaro takasangana pamwe chete kuti titangise basa iri, mumba mavu Peter Whitmer, Baba, (tiri vatanhatu) chiri Chipiri, 6 April, mugore ra 1830. Takatangisa musangano uyu nokunamata--kuna Baba woKudenga takatangisa, sokurairwa kwatakanga taitwa, kutaurira vamwe vedu nokuda kuziva kuti vanobvuma here kuti tive varairidzi vavo muzvinhu zvohumambo, hwa Mwari, nokutivo vanogutswa here kuti tifambire mberi tive nesvondo sokutaurirwa kwatakanga taitwa. Vakabvuma kuita zvose izvi nomwoyo mumwe chete. Ndakaisa maoko angu pamusoro pa Oliver Cowdery, ndikamuita mukuru re "Svondo ya Jesu Kristu ya Vatendi vamazuva Ekupedzisira," mushure mezvo akandiitawo zvimwe chetezvo zvandakanga ndamuita.

Takatora chingwa, tikachiropafadza, tikachimedura navo: Tikatorawo waini, tikairopafadza, tikanwa navo. Takaisa maoko edu pamusoro pomunhu oga oga aiva weSvondo aripo, kuti vatambire chipo choMweya Mutsvene, kuti vave nhengo dzakasimbiswa dze Svondo kwete zvokuti tekeshe zviya, --vamwe vakaprofita, vamwe tose tikarumbidza Ishe, tikafara zvikuru.

lye zvino tava kuenda mberi tichigadza

vamwe venhengo dzedu muzvigar
 zvakasiyana siyana zveHufundisi,
 sokujekeserwa kwatinenge taitwa noMweya;
 mushure menguva yakanaka yokufara
 yatakapedza tichipupura nokunzwa pachedu
 simba namaropafadzo oMweya mutsvene,
 nenyasha dzaMwari dzaiva patiri,
 takaparadzana nokufara kuti mumwe
 nomumwe wedu, sokubvumirwa
 kwazvakanga zvaitwa na Mwari, atova
 nhengo ye Svonda ya Jesu Kristu,”
 yakaronga mayerano neMirau inoratidza
 zvakapihwa na lye kwatiri mumazuva
 okupedzisira, namaruramiro e Svondo
 sokunyorwa kwazvakaitwa mu Testamende
 itsva.

* * * *

Uhu huchapupu, husina chinoshamisira
 hwa Joseph Smith, huchitipa zvimwe
 zvezvinhu zvakaita kuti Svondo ya Jesu
 Kristu ya Vatendi Vamazuva Okupedzisira,
 ivepo.

Mushure mokumiswa kweSvondo iyi
 navateveri vake vakatama kubva ku New
 York vachienda ku Kirtland, Ohio, pedyo ne
 Cleveland. Ikoko kwakavakwa Temberi
 yakanaka zvinoshamisa, kwakaitwa basa
 rohufundisi rakanyanya, Svondo ikawana
 vanhu vakawanda kwazvo. Panzvimbo
 dzakavhurwa dzeSvondo, Missouri yaiva
 imwe yadzo, uko kwakazotamira svondo
 yose.

Yaiva nguva yokuvengwa kwesvondo iyi
 navanhu. Vatendi vamuzuva Ekupedzisira,
 vakavengwa zvisingataure chinhu. Vanhu
 vakavatandanisa, vachivamanikidza kubva
 munzvimbo dzavakanga vagere, vakasiiswa
 misha, minda yavo yaiyevedza, nedzimba
 dzavo dzokunamatira.

Vakaenda ku Illinois
 kwavakasvikogashirwa zvakanaka,
 vakakanganwa kusuwa kwavo. Vakatenga

nzvimbo huru kwazvo yaingova jahwi rega mu Mississippi. Vakachera madhunduru mvura yose ikapwa, jahwi rikapera, vakavaka guta guru kupfuura mamwe maguta ose amazuva iwayo mu Illinois--Nauvoo, ""Yakanaka." Basa rokuparidza, mu America ne England rakadzora vazhinji, basa rikabudirira kwazvo munzvimbo idzi kwechinguva chakati.

Asi runyararo rwomu Nauvoo rwakava rwechinguva chipfupi. Vatendi vakatanga kunetswa zvakare pamusana pokunamata kwavo. Joseph Smith; nomukoma wake Hyrum vakasungwa vachipomerwa mhosva vakaiswa mujeri ku Carthage, Illinois. Varimo, Vakamirira kutongwa nomurau wenyika, vakafurwa nemhomho yavanhu vakanga vakazvinyora kumeso, vakafa uri musi wa June 27, 1844, mutemo wenyika ukasavadzivirira.

Va Brigham Young vakava mutungamiri we Svondo. Vari pasi pavo vatendi vakaita rwendo rwavo rukuru vachitamira kumakomo anonzi Rocky Mountains, kwavakasvikove vanhu vakabudirira pamusana pokutambudzika norutendo.

Joseph Smith anorangariwa nhasi uno namazana namazana ezviuru zvavanhу somuprofita waMwari. Kugara nokubudirira kwakaitwa naavo, vakagashira huchapupu hwake, chiratidzo chohutsvene hwebasa rake. Hwaro hweSvondo ya Jesu Kristu yaVatendi Vamazuva Ekupedzisira hwakavakwa pamusoro pezvakaratidzwa, nechokwadi chinoyerha chaakadzidzisa, nesimba roHufundisi rakadzorerwa nomaari.

(Excerpted from Joseph Smith 2:3-75 and History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Company, 1967 1:2-79.)

Kero dzamahofisi e Sangano RaJesu Kristu
raVatendi Vamazuva Ekupedzisira dziri munyika
dzose. Dzimwe dzakanyorwa pasi apa. Ungadzidza
nezvesangano uye nezve Vhangeri ra Jesu Kristu
nokubatana nehofisi iri pedyo newe.

Missionary Department
50 East North Temple, 12th Floor
Salt Lake City, Utah 84150
U.S.A.

Africa West Area Office
P.O. Box 2585
Accra, Ghana. West Africa
Phone: 233-21-503-212

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

SHONA



4 02326 67731 5
32667 731