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WE modify the style of our houses, make our wearing apparel more attractive, increase our speed of travel, prolong life, reduce the ravages of disease, and modernize most of our physical conveniences; but we cannot change that human longing of love between a man and a woman. Through the centuries of man's existence almost all things have been changed, but the human emotion of love in men and women continues to seek an expression of lasting endurance. Sorrow, distress, bewilderment, and even a loss of the worth-whileness of life comes to him who experiences failure in holding the love of the one whom he cherishes most dearly. Those who find complete realization in the love of an esteemed person make a discovery of new-found happiness and exultation that excels human expression.

When a young man looks into the smiling eyes of a charming young lady, and their hearts respond—how can they seal that love so it will endure eternally? That is the yearning of young people who cherish the

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writings of the most brilliant minds or turn to the great expounders of correct thinking without discovering the truth contained in the spiritual meaning of a Latter-day Saint marriage.

A Latter-day Saint couple who gaze upon the spires of a great temple, which reach heavenward, have a spiritual thrill vibrate through their souls. If they enter that temple, built to him who controls the destinies of men and women, their love may be consummated into a beautiful union that will endure forever. Time will not dim their love, and eternity will permit continual happiness to come into their companionship.

A sincere Latter-day Saint couple want their marriage solemnized by one who holds the authority to bind their sacred vows for immortal endurance. They yearn to kneel at the altar in the temple of their God and hear the one officiating say: ". . . I pronounce you husband and wife for time and for all eternity." As they arise and embrace each other, a realization comes to them of the covenant they have made to honor, respect, and cherish the noblest ideals in religion. They also resolve to live these virtues in their newly formed companionship. No trace of selfishness, deceit, or hypocrisy has been brought into this holy place. Their lives have been purified by the refining influence of the Spirit of God. Doubt and uncertainty concerning their love for each other does not transgress the sacred edifice which hallows an influence of complete trust, confidence, and unflinching love.

A marriage solemnized in such a spiritual atmosphere will impress a young couple with the divine opportunity that they possess in starting a Latter-day Saint family. Their

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enduring ideals of life. Do the philosophies of men give a satisfaction to these young hearts? Does religion give them an anchor to their new-found love? These young people are not grasping for that which passes away, but for that which survives and becomes more beautiful as the years come and go.

Over a century ago a young prophet received a most inspiring truth that has given greater stability and endurance to human love than any contribution during our modern era. You may search throughout the