

In the creation the Gods entered into an agreement about forming this earth and put Michael or Adam upon it. these things of which I have been speaking are that are termed the mysteries of godliness, but they will enable you to understand the expression of Jesus made while in Jerusalem. "This is life eternal that they might know thee the only true God and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." We were once acquainted with the Gods and lived with them, but we had the privilege of taking upon us flesh, that the spirit might have a house to dwell in. We did so and forgot all and came into the world not recollecting anything of which we had previously learned. We have heard a great deal about Adam and Eve how they were formed and some think he was made like an adobe and the Lord breathed into him the breath of life, for we read: "from dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return." Well he was made of the dust of the earth but not of this earth. He was made just the same way you and I are made but of another earth. Adam was an immortal being when he came on the earth. He had lived on an earth similar to ours [p. 22] he had received the priesthood and keys thereof and had been faithful in all things and gained his resurrection and his exaltation and was crowned with glory, immortality and eternal lives and was numbered with the Gods for such he became through his faithfulness, and had begotten all the p. 19 spirits that was to come to this earth and Eve our common mother who is the mother of all living, bore those spirits in the Celestial World and when this earth

was organized by Elohim, Hehovah, and Michael who is Adam our common father. Adam and Eve had the privilege to continue the work of Progression, consequently came to this earth and commenced the great work of forming tabernacles for those spirits to dwell in and when Adam and those that assisted him had completed this Kingdom or earth he came to toil, and slept and forgot all and became like an infant child. It is said by Moses the Historian that the Lord cause a deep sleep to come upon Adam and took from his side a rib and formed the woman that Adam called Eve - this should be interpreted that the man Adam, like all other men had the seed within him to propagate his species, but not the woman she conceives the seed but she does not produce it, consequently she was taken from the side or bowels of her father this explains the mystery of Moses dark sayings in regard to Adam and Eve. Adam and Eve when they were placed on this earth were immortal beings with flesh, bones and sinews but upon partaking of the fruits of Gen. 23 earth while in the garden and cultivating the ground their bodies became changed from immortal to mortal beings with the blood coursing through their veins as the action of life. Adam was not under transgression until after he partook of the forbidden fruit, this was necessary that they might be together that man might be. the woman was found in transgression, not man - now in the law of sacrifice we have the promise of a Savior and men had the privilege and showed forth his obedience by offering of the first fruits of the earth and the firstlings of the flocks - this as a showing that Jesus

would come and shed his blood. p. 20 *4 lines without writing* Father Adam's oldest son (Jesus the Savior) who is the heir of the family is Father Adams' first begotten as it is written. (In his divinity he having gone back into the Spirit World, and came in the spirit to Mary and she conceived, for when Adam and Eve got through with their work in this earth, they did not [p. 24] lay their bodies down in the dust but returned to the spirit world from whence they came.

I felt myself much blessed in being permitted to associate with such men and hear such instructions as they savored of life to me.

Thurs. Feb. 8, 1877. Evening at the 4th Ward school house. Pres. E. Snow lectured on the Book of Mormon to the Y.M.M.I.A. He gave the name of the Brother of Jared as Mahonri Moricancumier. The Prophet Joseph received [it] by revelation . . . had a good time. p. 21

Sat. Feb. 10, 1877. . . . I wrote on a mode of procedure to be observed in the giving of endowments also assisted by Bro. J. D. T. McAllister and A. H. Raleigh by invitation we all ate supper at the house of Bro. Crane - and spent the evening with Pres. Young reading what we had written. He accepted and corrected the same. p. 22. While there the President asked me if I was an Historian. I answered only so far as I had kept a history for myself. He said he wanted some person to get up a history of this church as it was much needed. [p. 26] p. 23.