

In the month of April 1843 I returned from my European Mission a few days after my arrival at Nauvoo when at President Joseph Smith's House, he said he wished to have some private talk with me, and requested me to walk out with him; It was toward evening, we walked a little distance and sat down on a large log that lay near the bank of the river; He then and then explained to me the doctrine of plurality ^{of wives}, He said that the Lord had revealed it unto him, and commanded him to have women sealed to him as wives that he foresaw the trouble that would follow & sought to turn away from the commandment - that an Angel from Heaven then appeared before him with a drawn sword threatening him with destruction unless he went forward and obeyed the commandment.

He further said that my sister Eliza R. Snow had been sealed to him as his wife for time and eternity. He told me that the Lord would open the way, & I should have women sealed to me as wives. This conversation was prolonged I think one hour or more in which he told me many

important things.* I Solemnly declare before God
and holy Angels, and as I hope to come forth in
the morning of the Resurrection that the above
Statement is true.

Lorenzo Snow

Territory of Utah }
Box Elder County } 55

Personally came before me J. C. Wright Clerk of the
County & Probate Courts in & for the county & Territory aforesaid,
Lorenzo Snow, and who being duly sworn, deposed & says
that the foregoing ^{by him subscribed} Statement, is true of his own certain
knowledge.

Witness my hand & Seal of Court
at my Office in Bingham City Box
Elder County, Utah Territory this
28th day of August A.D. 1869
J. C. Wright Clerk



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