

# EPITOME OF FAITH

## Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

We believe in God the Father, Christ his Son, and the Holy Ghost, in the name of whom believers are to be baptised. (See Matthew 28:19.)

We believe in the six fundamental principles of Christ's doctrine, named by Paul as faith, repentance, baptisms, laying on of hands, resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgement. (See Hebrews 6:1, 2.)

We believe in the spiritual gifts promised in the Scriptures, which are to be enjoyed by the believer through faith. (See Mark 16:16-18; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11.)

We believe that God reveals himself to his people by the Holy Spirit as promised by Christ. (See Acts 2:1-18; Matthew 11:27; Revelation 19-10.)

We believe only those called of God are authorized to represent him and perform his sacred ordinances. (See John 1:6; 3:34; 15:16; 20:21; Romans 10:14; Hebrews 5:4.)

We believe there is but one true faith and gospel with power to save the repentant believer. (See James 1:17; Acts 10:34; John 7:16; 17:3; Ephesians 4:5.)

We believe the true church belongs to Christ as his bride and is named of him. (See Romans 12:5; 1 Corinthians 12:27; Ephesians 1:22; 3:15; Colossians 1:18; Hebrews 3:3; 12:23; Revelation 21:2, 9.)

We believe God provided for a church organization having apostles, prophets, the seventy, evangelists, pastors, teachers, bishops, elders and deacons—a constituted priesthood to teach and represent him on earth. (See 1 Corinthians 12:28; Luke 10:1; Acts 14:23; Ephesians 4:11; Phillipians 1:1; 1 Peter 2:5.)

We believe in the second coming of Christ to reign over his saints on the new earth. (See Matthew 5:5; 6:9; 16:27; Acts 1:10; Daniel 7:27; Revelation 5:10; 20:-6.)

We believe marriage is ordained of God, and that he forbids more than one living companion in wedlock. (See Malachi 2:14-16; Matthew 19:9.)

We believe God is owner of all things, and require all men as stewards to use their talents and resources for others rather than for self. (See Deuteronomy 10:14; Galatians 5:14; 6:2; Matthew 5:44; 6:33; 7:12; 22:37-40.)

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## RECONCILIATION

Tune: "What a Gathering That Will  
be" (Zion's Praises, No. 38).

When we learn to walk in kind-  
ness, wear the smile, forget the  
frown;

When we gladly shall forgive men,  
full and free;

Every small and bitter envy, every  
malice trample down —

What a strong and happy people  
we shall be!

Chorus:

What a happy—happy—

What a strong and happy people  
we shall be!

What a happy—happy—

What a strong and happy people  
we shall be!

When the servants of the Master  
each and all shall cast aside,  
Every grievance, every hatred, and  
be free

To forget the petty quarrels and the  
grudges that divide—

What a strong and happy people  
we shall be!

When the ministers of Jesus, be they  
small or be they great,  
From the prophets to the deacons,  
bow the knee;

Bishops, teachers, and apostles, have  
more love and less debate—

What a strong and happy people we  
shall be!

When no two of all our number,  
Lord, shall longer be at strife,  
When we walk in love and mercy  
close to thee,

We shall know a joyful service, we  
shall find abundant life—

What a strong and happy people we  
shall be!