

JESUS CHRIST, THE REDEEMER

Joseph Smith was a witness of the Savior and understood His role in the plan of salvation.

Joseph Smith knew the Savior Jesus Christ and His gospel, and he bore firm and valiant testimony of them. In the scriptures we read of his First Vision and the revelations he received from the Lord. After one of the Savior's appearances, Joseph declared: "And now, after the many testimonies which have been given of him, this is the testimony, last of all, which we give of him: That he lives!" (D&C 76:22). Here are some of the things Joseph Smith taught about the Savior Jesus Christ.

THE FOUNDATION OF OUR RELIGION

"The fundamental principles of our religion are the testimony of the Apostles and Prophets, concerning Jesus Christ, that He died, was buried, and rose again the third day, and ascended into heaven; and all other things which pertain to our religion are only appendages to it."

THE RESURRECTION

"Christ Himself has assuredly risen from the dead; and if He has risen from the dead, He will, by His power, bring all men to stand before Him."

"All your losses will be made up to you in the resurrection, provided you continue faithful. By the vision of the Almighty I have seen it."

THE ATONEMENT

"Christ, who is the image of man, is also the express image of his Father's person [see Hebrews 1:3]. . . . Through the atonement of Christ and the resurrection, and obedience to the gospel, we shall again be conformed to the image of his Son, Jesus Christ [see Romans 8:29]; then we shall have attained to the image, glory, and character of God."

From Teachings of Presidents of the Church: Joseph Smith (2007), 48, 51, 52.

