

# The Articles of Faith

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Joseph Smith Writes the Articles of Faith

We believe in God,  
the Eternal Father,  
and in His Son, Jesus Christ,  
and in the Holy Ghost.



We believe that men will be punished for their own sins,



and not for  
Adam's transgression.

We believe that through  
the Atonement of Christ,  
all mankind may be saved,



by obedience to the laws  
and ordinances of the Gospel.

We believe that the first principles and ordinances of the Gospel are:



First, Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ;  
Second, Repentance;  
Third, Baptism by immersion  
for the remission of sins;  
Fourth, Laying on of hands  
for the gift of the Holy Ghost.

We believe that a man must be called of God, by prophecy, and by the laying on of hands by those who are in authority,



to preach the Gospel and administer in the ordinances thereof.

We believe in the same organization that existed in the Primitive Church, namely,

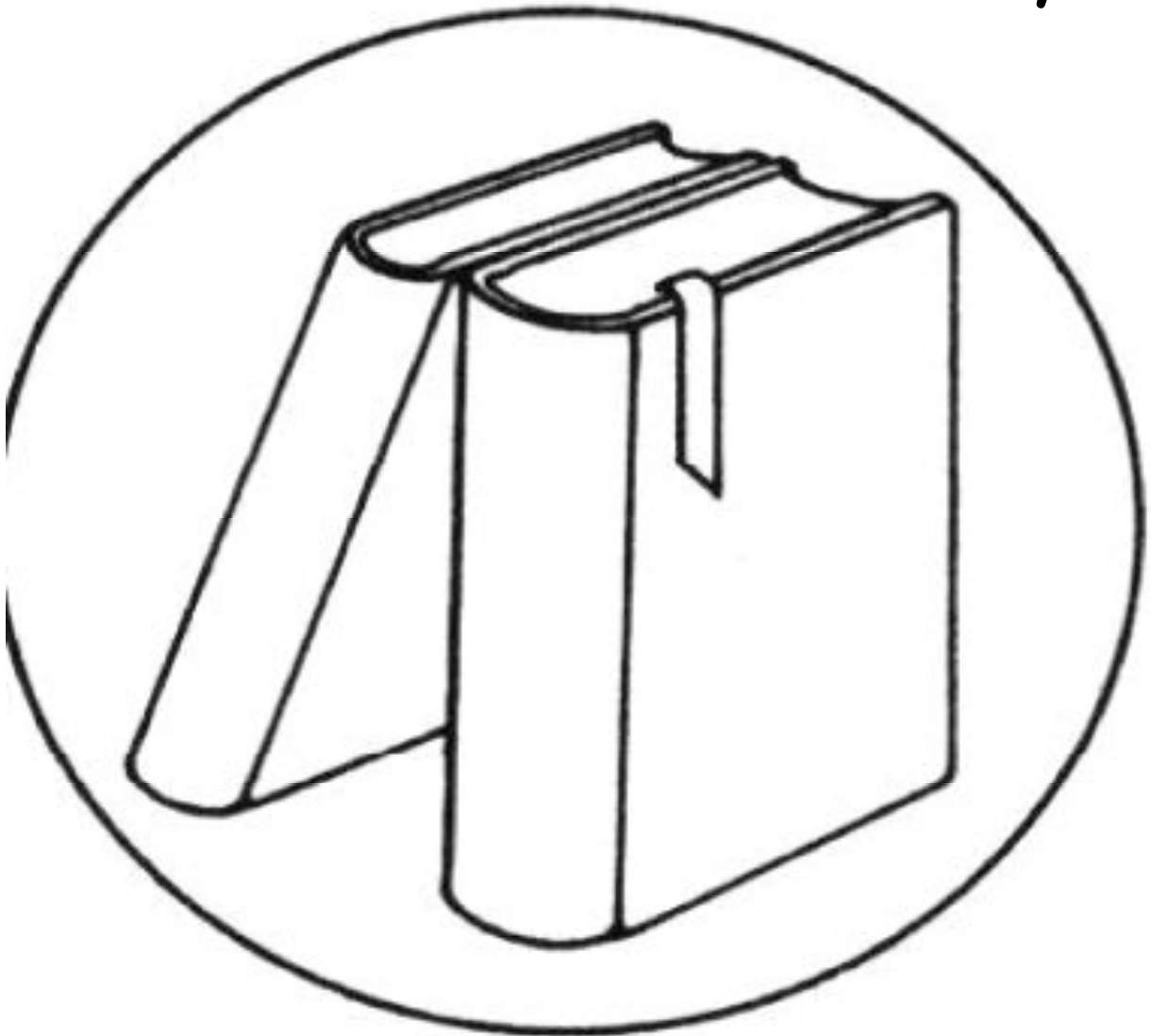


apostles, prophets, pastors,  
teachers, evangelists,  
and so forth.

We believe in the gift of tongues, prophecy, revelation, visions, healing, interpretation of tongues, and so forth.



We believe the Bible to be  
the word of God as far as  
it is translated correctly;



we also believe  
the Book of Mormon  
to be the word of God.

We believe all that God  
has revealed, all that He  
does now reveal,  
and we believe that He



will yet reveal many great  
and important things pertaining  
to the Kingdom of God.

We believe in the literal gathering of Israel and in the restoration of the Ten Tribes;



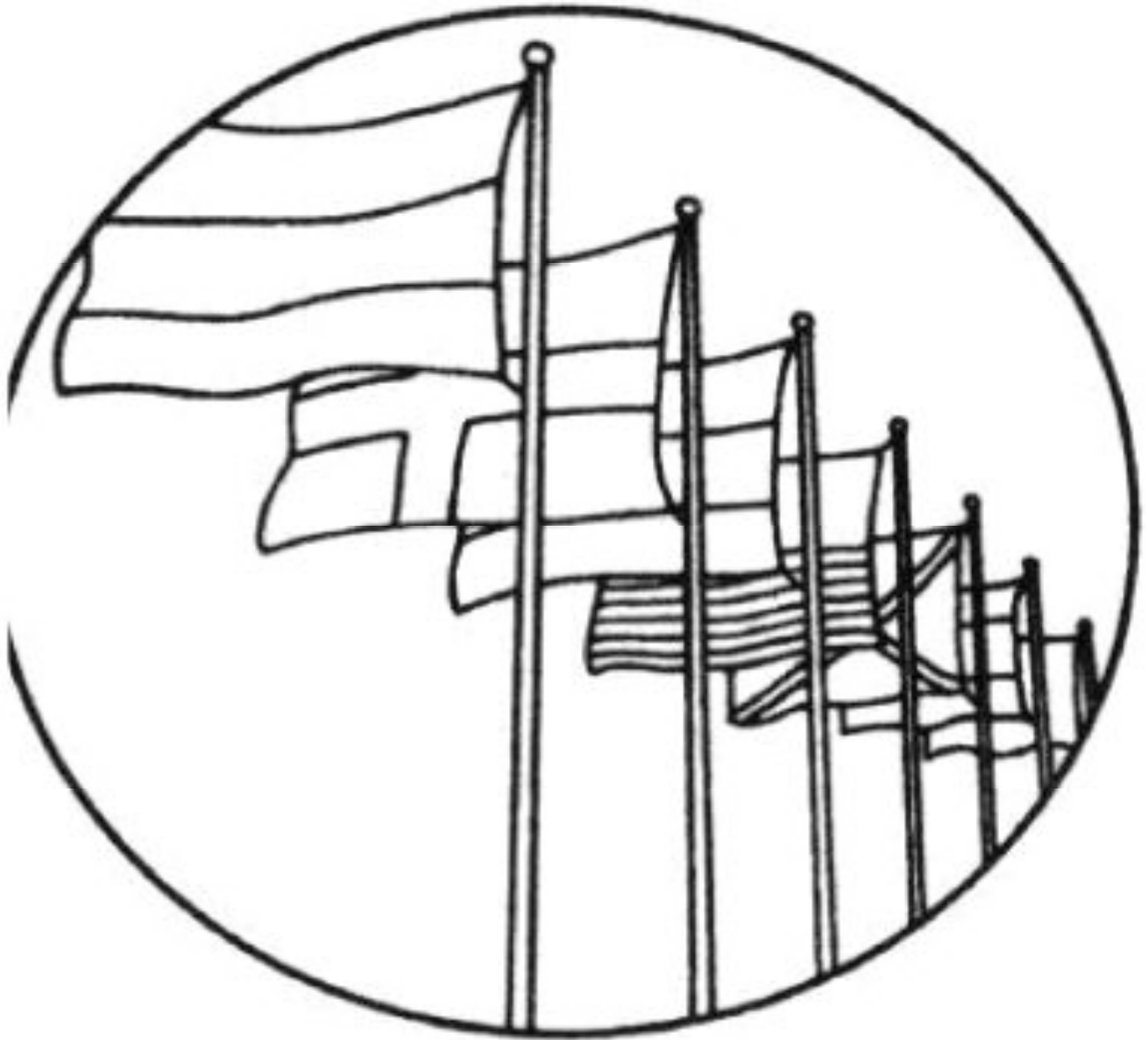
that Zion (the New Jerusalem) will be built upon the American continent; that Christ will reign personally upon the earth; and, that the earth will be renewed and receive its paradisiacal glory.

We claim the privilege of  
worshiping Almighty God  
according to the dictates  
of our own conscience,



and allow all men the  
same privilege, let them  
worship how, where,  
or what they may.

We believe in being subject to  
kings, presidents, rulers,  
and magistrates,



in obeying, honoring, and  
sustaining the law.

We believe in being honest,  
true, chaste, benevolent,  
virtuous, and in doing good to all men;  
indeed, we may say that we follow  
the admonition of Paul—



We believe all things,  
we hope all things,  
we have endured many things,  
and hope to be able to endure all things.  
If there is anything virtuous, lovely,  
or of good report or praiseworthy,  
we seek after these things.