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New Publications

A Reason for Faith: Navigating LDS Doctrine and Church History

Edited by Laura Harris Hales

A Reason for Faith was written to do just as the title implies: provide reasons for faith by offering faithful answers to sincere questions. Before the Internet, historical and doctrinal questions not addressed in the curriculum of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints were mostly found in the scholarly articles of academic journals. This is no longer the case. These topics are now widely debated and discussed online and in other forums. And when members of the LDS Church come across information that is unfamiliar, they may feel surprise, fear, betrayal, or even anger.

ISBN: 978-1-9443-9401-1

US \$29.99

A Historian in Zion: The Autobiography of Andrew Jenson, Assistant Church Historian, Revised and Enhanced Edition

Edited by Reid L. Neilson and R. Mark Melville

The *Autobiography of Andrew Jenson*, first published in 1938, tells the personal story of a Danish Mormon convert who eventually served as Assistant Church Historian for over forty years. The author mined his voluminous personal journals and assembled Church records to tell the story of the Restoration of the gospel since the 1850s when he arrived in Utah as a European immigrant. This revised and enhanced edition features a biographical essay telling the overarching sweep of Jenson's life and contextualizing his other printed works. Through his synthesized research, writing, and reflections, readers come away with deeper appreciation for the men and women whose lives constitute Mormon history.

ISBN: 978-1-9443-9400-4

Retail: US \$39.99

Sacred Space: Exploring the Birthplace of Mormonism

By Michael Hubbard MacKay

Many Church members may not realize that the birthplace of Mormonism is not just a cut-and-dried bit of historical trivia. In fact, initial Church publications referring to the organizational meeting mistakenly claimed it happened in Manchester, New York. The authors of the book *Inventing Mormonism* challenged traditional Latter-day Saint history by pointing out inconsistencies concerning the Church's birthplace. This book sorts through the complicated history of where the Church was established.

ISBN: 978-0-8425-2979-2

Retail: US \$17.99

The Worldwide Church: Mormonism as a Global Religion

Edited by Michael A. Goodman and Mauro Properzi

From Samuel Smith's first missionary efforts in 1830 to the more than 88,000 missionaries now serving worldwide, the Church continues the modern-day effort to fulfill the Lord's mandate: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations" (Matthew 28:19). In the past thirty years, the international membership has grown from less than a quarter of total Church membership to over 55 percent. While US and Canadian growth came in at 61 percent over that thirty-year period, international growth reached a staggering 537 percent. As a result, the Church is becoming an increasingly international church. This volume is a compilation of scholarly papers presented at the BYU Church History Symposium entitled "The Worldwide Church: The Global Reach of Mormonism." President Dieter F. Uchtdorf, Second Counselor in the First Presidency, was the first keynote speaker. He emphasized the importance of learning our history. The second keynote speaker, Terryl Givens, highlighted the universal nature of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Seventeen other papers by notable historians, scholars, educators, and leaders are included.

ISBN: 978-0-8425-2973-0

Retail: \$31.99

Let Us Reason Together: Essays in Honor of the Life's Work of Robert L. Millet

Edited by J. Spencer Fluhman and Brent L. Top

A single volume cannot accurately measure the influence of a beloved colleague, but this one nevertheless stands as modest evidence of Robert L. Millet's prodigious impact over a career that spanned nearly four decades. His retirement provided an opportunity to gather some of us who count him as a mentor, colleague, and friend. We offer this collection of essays as a monument to his remarkable career as an administrator, teacher, and writer.

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Retail: US \$29.99

Zion's Trumpet: 1855 Welsh Mormon Periodical

Edited by Ronald D. Dennis

In the first issue of *Zion's Trumpet* in 1855, Dan Jones declares that he was beginning the year "with greater desire and confidence" than ever before. Despite expressions of frustration and disappointment throughout the 1855 volume there are many segments in which Dan Jones's unflagging optimism still appears.

ISBN: 978-0-8425-2971-6

Retail: US \$31.99

Far Away in the West: Reflections on the Mormon Pioneer Trail

Edited by Scott C. Esplin, Richard E. Bennett, Susan Easton Black and Craig K. Manscill

The story of the Mormon exodus from Nauvoo to a new mountain home "far away in the West" still stirs the imagination of writers, artists, historians, and musicians. Letters, diaries and other manuscript sources continue to be discovered that recount this stirring chapter in Mormon history. An entire believing people came to trust that they would find their place to worship without fear of persecution if they followed their God.

ISBN: 978-0-8425-2969-3

Retail: US \$27.99

Provo's Two Temples

Richard O. Cowan and Justin R. Bray

Provo, Utah, is the home of two LDS temples, each with a distinctive story. This volume includes a comprehensive account of each of these two temples, which have very different histories. One temple was built from the ground up and dedicated in 1972. The other is like a phoenix, born again of the ashes of a building destroyed by fire. This book includes richly illustrated pictures and text that traces the unique construction, history, and many other details that help tell the stories of each of Provo's two temples.

ISBN: 978-0-8425-2965-5

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**The Coming Forth of the Book of Mormon: A Marvelous Work and a Wonder
Edited by Dennis L. Largey, Andrew H. Hedges, John Hilton III, and Kerry Hull**

The 2015 Brigham Young University Sidney B. Sperry Symposium explored the modern miracle of the translation and publication of the Book of Mormon. Featuring a keynote address by Elder Merrill J. Bateman discussing the Book of Mormon's restoration of plain and precious truths, this volume describes the development of the teenage seer Joseph Smith Jr. and includes marvelous accounts of the many witnesses to the plates.

ISBN: 987-1-62972-114-9

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