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Gospels Bibliography by Category

Apocrypha

Archaeology

Baptism


Green, Doyle L. “Jesus Prepares for His Ministry.” *IE* 60 (Jan. 1957): 20–22, 36. Comments on Jesus' visit to Jerusalem at the age of twelve, his baptism by John, and his temptation by Satan.

Madsen, David H. “The Beginning of the Gospels.” *SNT* 1984, 5–11. Discusses the first events recorded in the Gospels up to the transfer of disciples from John the Baptist to Jesus.

Birth


Green, Doyle L. “The Birthplace of the Son of God.” *IE* 59 (Oct. 1956): 720–22, 736. Offers possible reasons why Bethlehem was chosen as Jesus’ birthplace.


Hyde, Paul N. “A Date for the Birth of Christ.” *SNT* 1980, 100–106. Proposes that Jesus was born April 6, 1 BCE.


Madsen, David H. “The Beginning of the Gospels.” *SNT* 1984, 5–11. Discusses the first events recorded in the Gospels up to the transfer of disciples from John the Baptist to Jesus.


**Childhood**


——. “Your Charge to Increase in Wisdom and Favor with God and Man.” New Era 9 (Sept. 1979): 40–45. Asks youth to follow Jesus’ path of maturation.


——. “Jesus Prepares for His Ministry.” IE 60 (Jan. 1957): 20–22, 36. Comments on Jesus’ visit to Jerusalem at the age of twelve, his baptism by John, and his temptation by Satan.


Christology


———. “Who Was This Jesus?” SY (11 Dec. 1951). Refers to Jesus as the creator of galaxies and as a performer of earthly miracles.


Edwards, Kay. “The Early Judean Ministry.” SS 5:188-200. Discusses the miracle at Cana, the visit to Capernaum, the cleansing of the temple, the conversation with Nicodemus, and Jesus’ identity.


Green, Doyle L. “Fishers of Men.” IE 60 (Apr. 1957): 236-38. Refers to an early healing, Jesus’ messianic claim at Nazareth, and the calling of Peter and Andrew.

the interplay of justice, mercy, and grace as it relates to a personal application of Christ’s atonement.


—. “Jesus and the Gospels.” *SS* 5:1-9. Describes the grandeur of Jesus as Jehovah and then summarizes Jesus’ roles as propounded in the Gospels.


Matthews, Robert J. “We Have Found the Messiah, Which Is the Christ.” *SBSS* 1987, 161-77. Develops the general theme of individuals finding the Messiah.


———. “Yet Thou Art There.” *Ensign* 17 (Nov. 1987): 30-33. Testifies of Christ’s capacity to carry our sins.


——. “What Think Ye of Christ?” Ensign 18 (Nov. 1988): 65–68. Defends the view that Latter-day Saints are Christian. Emphasizes the necessity of the Atonement to cancel the effects of the Fall.

——. “ Witnesses of Christ.” Ensign 20 (Nov. 1990): 29–32. Shows how all members of the Church are expected to be witnesses of Christ.


Yarn, David H. “The Roles of Jesus the Christ.” SY (23 Jan. 1963). Discusses some of the functions of Christ, including those which stem from his mortal ministry.

Church Organization—the Apostles in General


Green, Doyle L. “Jesus Chooses Twelve Apostles.” IE 60 (June 1957): 384–86, 464–67. Considers the healing at Bethesda, the walking through a field of grain on the Sabbath, the ordination of the Twelve, the raising of the youth of Nain, and an anointing of Jesus by a woman.

Hunter, Howard W. "Organization of the Church of Christ." IE 68 (Dec. 1965): 1145–47. Addresses the question, When was the Church organized? Also names characteristics of the primitive Church.


Mumford, Thomas M. "Jesus Begins His Ministry." SNT 1984, 12–14. Discusses the calling of the Twelve, the conversations with Nicodemus and the woman at the well.

Nelson, Russell M. "Thus Shall My Church Be Called." Ensign 20 (May 1990): 16–18. Describes the meaning of the component parts of the name of the Church.


Penrose, Charles W. "What is 'the Church'?" MS 70 (16 Jan. 1908): 40–43. Compares the Church Jesus established with contemporary churches.


Stapley, Delbert L. "What Constitutes the True Church?" Ensign 7 (May 1977): 21–23. Cites Jesus' teachings concerning the characteristics of his Church. Bears testimony and invites investigation of the modern Church.

Church Organization—John the Apostle


Church Organization—Peter


Hinckley, Gordon B. “And Peter Went out and Wept Bitterly.” Ensign 9 (May 1979): 65–67. Shows that after his denial Peter went through a major change and that others can do the same.


**Church Organization—the Seventy**


**Domestic Life**


Lund, Gerald N. "I Have a Question." *Ensign* 5 (Sept. 1975): 36-37. Deals with the question, What became of Jesus' family after his resurrection?


**Eschatology (Destruction of Jerusalem and the Latter Days)**


Hendrix, Roger A. “Jesus and the Destruction and Restoration of Jerusalem.” SNT 1980, 92-95. Details the prophecies and fulfillment of the destruction and rebuilding of Jerusalem.


McConkie, Bruce R. The Millennial Messiah: The Second Coming of the Son of Man. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1982. Expounds on the latter-day events that are to precede the Second Coming.

Meservy, Keith H. “Jesus and Josephus Told of the Destruction of Jerusalem.” SBSS 1987, 195–217. Discusses the prophecy of Jesus concerning the destruction of Jerusalem and shows how it was fulfilled.


Sill, Sterling W. “This Same Jesus.” IE (June 1963): 484–87. Testifies that Jesus will come again.


Exemplary Life


Brookbank, Thomas W. “Concerning the Temptations Christ Endured.” *MS* 75 (20 Nov. 1913): 760–64. Shows how lessons can be learned from the accounts of the temptation of Jesus.

Hales, Robert D. “Lessons from the Atonement That Help Us to Endure to the End.” *Ensign* 15 (Nov. 1985): 18–21. Shows how the attitude of Jesus in Gethsemane and Golgotha can be emulated by the Saints.


Jacobs, J. Smith. "I Would Follow in His Footsteps." Instructor 102 (June 1967): 244-45. Discusses areas where one can follow Jesus’ example.


—. "What Characteristics Make a Religious Leader?" Instructor 99 (Feb. 1964): 48-49. Illustrates leadership characteristics with Jesus as the model.


Petersen, Mark E. "In His Steps." Instructor 102 (Jan. 1967): 10-12. Names several characteristics of the historical Jesus as worthy of imitation.

Romney, Marion G. "Jesus Christ, Man’s Great Exemplar." SY (9 May 1967). Lists several facets of Jesus’ life, recommending them for emulation.


Whetten, David A. "Sir, We Would See Jesus." Ensign 8 (Oct. 1978): 5-7. Dwells on four appealing characteristics in the life of Jesus: (1) his intimate knowledge of each person, (2) his ability to empathize with others’ trials, (3) his perfect love for all, and (4) his divine power.
Festivals


Pratt, John P. “Passover: Was It Symbolic of His Coming?” Ensign 24 (Jan. 1994): 38–45. Shows the symbolism of the Passover relative to Jesus’ sacrifice and points out the significance of the timing of the Passover and the Atonement.


Treseder, Terry W. "Passover Promises Fulfilled in the Last Supper."  *Ensign* 20 (Apr. 1990): 19–23. Shows how such Passover elements as the sacrificial lamb, the fruit of the vine, and unleavened bread became integrated into the Last Supper.

**Foreordination**


Talmage, James E. *Jesus the Christ*. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1982. Covers the career of Christ from his antemortal role to his expected second coming.


**Gospels in General**

Andersen, Todd G. *The Gospels Made Whole: One Complete Story of Jesus Christ*. Provo: Best Books, 1986. Harmonizes the Gospels taken from the King James Version, the Joseph Smith Translation, the Book of Mormon, the Doctrine and Covenants, the Pearl of Great Price, and *Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith*.


Millet, Robert L. “Joseph Smith and the Gospel of Matthew.” BYU Studies 25 (Summer 1985): 67-84. Emphasizes several unique traits of the Gospel of Matthew, such as its emphasis on the Church and Jesus’ relationship to Judaism.


Penrose, Charles W. “Ingersoll’s ‘Best Argument Ever Advanced against Christianity.’” IE 1 (Jan. 1898): 145-64. Challenges Ingersoll’s skeptical view of the reliability of the Gospels. Treats such issues as the agreement among the Gospels and the supernatural events contained therein.


——. *The Synoptic Gospels*. Salt Lake City: Deseret Sunday School Union Board, 1944. Gospel doctrine manual for 1945. Contains instruction concerning many issues in synoptic studies. Corresponding lesson material was located throughout the year in the *Instructor*.


**Genealogy**


**Herod**


**Holy Ghost**


**Holy Land Travels**


Brown, Hugh B. “This Same Jesus.” *Ensign* 1 (Dec. 1971): 134–35. Reports a trip to the Holy Land, where the speaker visited several significant sites in the life of Jesus.

Chadwick, Jeffrey R. “Where Jesus Walked: Using Your Trip to Israel in the Classroom.” *SNT* 1984, 81–82. Suggests the value of geographical orientation in Church Educational System classes.


**Jewish Backgrounds—Old Testament—Culture**


McConkie, Mark L. "Jewish Scriptures in Jesus' Day." SNT 1980, 132-34. Claims that the Jews of Jesus' day were acquainted with writings that are not in the current Bible.


Ricks, Stephen [D.], and Shirley S. Ricks. "Jewish Religious Education in the Meridian of Time." Ensign 17 (Oct. 1987): 60-62. Briefly describes forms of religious devotion observed during Jesus' lifetime. Describes what Jewish boys were expected to learn.

Robinson, O. Preston. "Jesus and the Samaritans." Instructor 95 (Apr. 1960): 114-15. Gives background on who the Samaritans were and why they were despised by the Jews. Notes Jesus' positive attitude toward them.


**Jewish Sectarians (Pharisees, Sadducees, Essenes, Zealots)**


Hunter, Howard W. “Organization of the Church of Christ.” *IE* 68 (Dec. 1965): 1145-47. Addresses the question, When was the Church organized? Also names characteristics of the primitive Church.


**John the Baptist**


Carrington, Albert, ed. "John the Baptist." MS 42 (6 Dec. 1880): 769-72. Summarizes scriptural information about John the Baptist from the announcement of his birth to his appearance to Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery. Speculates that he might have been the Elias who bestowed keys in the Kirtland temple.

Green, Doyle L. "Jesus Feeds the Multitude." IE 60 (Aug. 1957): 564-65, 584-85. Comments on the beheading of John the Baptist, the walking on the water, the feeding of the thousands, and the bread of life discourse.


Jensen, Joan O. "John the Baptist." SNT 1984, 121-23. Discusses the mission of John the Baptist in relation to that of Jesus.

Kimball, David P. "Necessity of a Fore-runner to Prepare the Way for the Coming of Jesus." MS 27 (15 Apr. 1865): 229-30. Compares John the Baptist with Joseph Smith as forerunners for their respective dispensations.

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Mary


Ministry


———. “I Am the Resurrection and the Life.” *IE* 46 (Jan. 1943): 12–13, 61, 63. This national radio address reviews selected events in Jesus’ ministry.

———. “Jesus the Christ—Creator and Redeemer.” *SY* (22 May 1956). Refers to events in the life of Jesus. Relates the feeding of the 5,000 to Elijah’s similar miracle.


Edwards, Kay. “The Early Judean Ministry.” *SS* 5:188–200. Discusses the miracle at Cana, the visit to Capernaum, the cleansing of the temple, the conversation with Nicodemus, and Jesus’ identity.


Green, Doyle L. “Early Days of the Lord’s Ministry.” IE 60 (Mar. 1957): 168-71. Treats the cleansing of the temple, the dialogue with Nicodemus, and the conversation with the Samaritan woman at the well.

———. “Jesus Begins His Ministry.” IE 60 (Feb. 1957): 96, 98, 102. Discusses Jesus’ first encounters with his future disciples and the marriage at Cana.

———. “Jesus Returns to Jerusalem.” IE 60 (Dec. 1957): 918-20, 936, 938. Considers the healing of Bartimaeus, the interaction with Zacchaeus, and the triumphant entry.

———. “Jesus Visits Judea.” IE 60 (Oct. 1957): 720-22, 763-64. Considers the story of the woman taken in adultery, the visit with Mary and Martha, and the healing of the man born blind.


Hanks, Marion D. “Behold the Man.” New Era 5 (Dec. 1975): 37-42. Reviews the highlights in Jesus’ life, together with some comments on his character traits.


Hunter, Howard W. "Secretly a Disciple?" *IE* 63 (Dec. 1960): 948–49. Notes that Joseph of Arimathea was secretly a disciple of Jesus and asks if modern people may also share that tendency for the same reasons.

——. "We Owe Allegiance to Sovereignty." *IE* 71 (June 1968): 79–81. Refers to events recorded in the Gospels, the author argues that allegiance is appropriate to the state as well as to divine sovereignty.


Kimball, Spencer W. "Are You a Modern Nicodemus?" *IE* 61 (June 1958): 417–19. Expresses disappointment that the good but unwise Nicodemus fell short of reaching his potential. Wonders how much the Saints today may have the same shortsighted proclivities.

——. "Jesus of Nazareth." *Ensign* 10 (Dec. 1980): 3–9. Reviews several events in Jesus' life and emphasizes that his birth was less important than his death.

Lansdell, Henry. "Christ's Attitude and Example as to Tithing." *MS* 66 (10 Mar. 1904): 147–50. Argues that the law of tithing was practiced in Jesus' day and that he observed it.

Ledbeter, Curtis E. "The Shepherd's Flock." *Ensign* 3 (Apr. 1973): 6–13. Discusses the following people who interacted with Jesus in the Gospels: Andrew, John the Beloved, Nicodemus, Mary, Martha, the rich young ruler, Mark, Judas Iscariot, the two thieves, and Mary Magdalene.

*The Life and Teachings of Jesus and the Apostles.* Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1978. This manual for the Church Educational System contains comments by authorities of the Church relative to Jesus' ministry.


—. “Tradition, Testimony, Transfiguration, and Keys.” SS 5:296-311. Discusses the “hedge” around the law of Moses and its influence at the time of Jesus, as well as sign seeking, the conversation at Caesarea Philippi, and keys and endowment given at the Transfiguration.

Maxwell, Neal A. “Answer Me.” Ensign 18 (Nov. 1988): 31–33. Discusses some of Jesus’ rhetorical questions on subjects such as what is lawful on the Sabbath and the seeking of signs.


—. “Can There Any Good Thing Come out of Nazareth?” IE 71 (June 1968): 100–101. Refers to several incidents in Jesus’ life to argue that out of Nazareth came the ultimate personality.


Mumford, Thomas M. “Jesus Begins His Ministry.” SNT 1984, 12–14. Discusses the calling of the Twelve, the conversations with Nicodemus, and the woman at the well.

Nyman, Monte S. “He That Is Not with Me Is against Me.” SS 5:251–61. Discusses the casting out of devils, the idea of a kingdom divided against itself, the sin against the Holy Ghost, and sign seekers.

Petersen, Mark E. Campus speech. SY (15 Dec. 1946). Testifies of the reality of Jesus’ mission. Refers to several types of iniquity identified by Jesus.


Ricks, Eldin. “The Victorious Life.” SBSS 1978, 49–57. Comments on Jesus’ experience with storms, the wind-tossed sea, and on Peter walking on the water.
Ricks, Stephen D. "No Prophet Is Accepted in His Own Country." SS 5:201-12. Discusses Jesus' rejection in Nazareth and his acceptance by the Samaritans. Shows how those two reactions foreshadowed the later reception during the Christian missionary period.


Van Orden, Bruce A. "The Last Months of Jesus' Ministry." SNT 1984, 19-22. Discusses Jesus' reference to his existence before Abraham, the healing of the blind man on the Sabbath, and the Good Shepherd.


**Miracles**


Clark, J. Reuben, Jr. "Jesus the Christ—Creator and Redeemer." SY (22 May 1956). Refers to events in the life of Jesus. Relates the feeding of the 5,000 to Elijah's similar miracle.
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——. “The Raising of Lazarus.” IE 60 (Nov. 1957): 807–9, 880–81. Discusses the controversy of healing on the Sabbath, the raising of Lazarus, the healing of the ten lepers, and the conversation with the rich young man.


---. *The Miracles of Jesus*. Provo: BYU Press, 1968. Analyzes each miracle of Jesus, showing the background, purpose and "special considerations."


Penrose, Charles W. "Ingersoll's 'Best Argument Ever Advanced against Christianity.'" *IE* 1 (Jan. 1898): 145–64. Challenges Ingersoll's skeptical view of the reliability of the Gospels. Treats such issues as the agreement among the Gospels and the supernatural events contained therein.


Ricks, Eldin. "The Victorious Life." *SBSS* 1978, 49–57. Comments on Jesus' experience with storms, the wind-tossed sea, and on Peter walking on the water.

Stapley, Delbert L. "Easter Thoughts." *Ensign* 6 (May 1976): 76–78. Testifies that the miracles of Jesus are true.


**New Testament Scholarship**


Part I: Gospels Bibliography by Category

—. Why the King James Version. Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1956. This exhaustive study argues for the theological supremacy of the King James Version over the more recent translations.


**Ordinances**


Jackson, Kent P. "The Bread of Life." *SS* 5:288–95. Briefly comments on the feeding of the five thousand, the walking on water and the bread of life sermon.


**Parables**


———. "Parables of Mercy." *Ensign* 17 (Feb. 1987): 20-24. Shows how the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the prodigal son relate to the principles of love and self-righteousness. The views of Joseph Smith are consulted.


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Bailey, Arthur A. "A Message of Judgment from the Olivet Sermon." SBSS 1990, 8-22. Shows how the parables of the ten virgins, the talents, and the sheep and goats relate to the circumstances of the last days.


B[leak]. J[ames] G. "The Parable of the Sower." MS 35 (11 Feb. 1873): 88-91. Relates the four classes enumerated by Jesus in the parable of the sower to the responses people will have when the word is presented.


Dahl, Larry E. "Fit for the Kingdom." SS 5:357-72. Comments on the parables found in Luke about the rich man and Lazarus. Also discusses thoughts on preparing for the Kingdom of God.

Draper, Richard D. "The Parables of Jesus." SS 5:262-78. Compares parables to other literary devices. Points out that Jesus' parables both concealed and revealed the message. Provides list of parables.

Dunn, Paul H. "If a Man Begins to Build." IE 71 (Dec. 1968): 66-68. Illustrates the parable of the man who began to build a tower but did not have the means and foresight to finish.


Green, Doyle L. "Jesus Teaches by Parables." IE 60 (July 1957): 504-5, 540-41, 543. Comments on selected parables.


*The Life and Teachings of Jesus and the Apostles*. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1978. This manual for the Church Educational System contains comments by authorities of the Church relative to Jesus’ ministry.


Schaeling, J. Philip. “The Lord’s Teachings on the Use of This World’s Goods.” *SBSS* 1990, 148–61. Demonstrates through selected parables Jesus’ teaching that worldly goods should be used for spiritual purposes.


**Parables—Good Samaritan**


Parables—Prodigal Son

Passion Week—General

———. “Jesus of Nazareth.” *Ensign* 24 (May 1994): 75–78. Citing scriptures and secondary sources, the speaker describes the events in the last few hours of Jesus’ life.


Hunter, Howard W. “His Final Hours.” *Ensign* 4 (May 1974): 17–19. Enumerates some of the events in the last few days of Jesus’ life.

———. “Jesus the Very Thought of Thee.” *Ensign* 23 (May 1993): 63–65. Refers to the events of Palm Sunday. Encourages his audience to reverence the name of Christ.


Maxwell, Neal A. “Our Acceptance of Christ.” *Ensign* 14 (June 1984): 69–74. Testifies that the Atonement is available to all.

McConkie, Joseph Fielding. “Triumphant Entry and a Day of Debate.” *SS* 5:373–90. Deals with the first three days of Jesus’ last week of mortality. Includes comments on paying taxes to Caesar and the reality of marriage in the next world.


**Passion Week—Gethsemane and Atonement**


Pratt, John P. “Passover: Was It Symbolic of His Coming?” Ensign 24 (Jan. 1994): 38–45. Shows the symbolism of the Passover relative to Jesus’ sacrifice and points out the significance of the timing of the Passover and the Atonement.


**Passion Week—Last Supper**

Anderson, Richard Lloyd “I Have a Question.” Ensign 5 (June 1975): 20–21. Confronts the question of whether or not the Last Supper was a Jewish Passover.


Treseder, Terry W. “Passover Promises Fulfilled in the Last Supper.” *Ensign* 20 (Apr. 1990): 19–23. Shows how such Passover elements as the sacrificial lamb, the fruit of the vine, and unleavened bread became integrated into the Last Supper.


**Passion Week—Trials and Crucifixion**


Darter, F. M. “On What Day Was Jesus Christ Crucified?” *IE* 19 (Nov. 1915): 33–43. Argues that the Crucifixion was on Wednesday, Nisan 14th, A.D. 33, probably in April. A short critique by Joseph F. Smith is found in the next issue, pp. 174–75.


Hales, Robert D. “Lessons from the Atonement That Help Us to Endure to the End.” *Ensign* 15 (Nov. 1985): 18–21. Shows how the attitude of Jesus in Gethsemane and Golgotha can be emulated by the Saints.

Lund, Gerald N. “To This End Was I Born.” *SNT* 1984, 26–31. Discusses Christ’s crucifixion and resurrection, including the Old Testament quotations Jesus might have cited to the two men on the way to Emmaus.

Merkley, Marion G. “Is This Golgotha?” *Instructor* 92 (Apr. 1957): 99–101. Describes two areas speculated to be the site of Jesus’ crucifixion.

We Rejoice in Christ


Watkins, Charles F. "On What Day Was Christ Crucified?" *IE* 3 (Dec. 1899): 89-94. Argues that Jesus' prophecy that he would be buried three days and nights (Matt. 12:40) indicates he was interred on Thursday.

Wilkinson, Ernest L. "The Trial of Jesus." *SY* (1 Apr. 1953). Details the events of Jesus' betrayal and trial.

**Postresurrection Appearances**


Clark, J. Reuben, Jr. "None Other Name under Heaven." *IE* 56 (June 1953): 403-4. Recites resurrection appearances as recorded in the Gospels.


**Reputation**

Clift, Frederic. “‘Christianity’—‘Mormonism.’” *IE* 10 (Dec. 1906): 81-88. Compares the reputation of Jesus and the early Christians, as recorded in the Gospels, with that of Joseph Smith and the early Latter-day Saints.

**Resurrection**


———. “He Is Risen.” *IE* 67 (June 1964): 503-5. Recounts the events surrounding the Resurrection. Testifies that the life of Jesus has had the single greatest impact of any on the earth.


Haight, David B. “He Is Not Here. He Is Risen.” *Ensign* 10 (May 1980): 9-11. Reviews Jesus' last mortal hours and his encounter with Mary and Martha.


Lund, Gerald N. “To This End Was I Born.” *SNT* 1984, 26–31. Discusses Christ’s crucifixion and resurrection, including the Old Testament quotations Jesus might have cited to the two men on the way to Emmaus.


Stapley, Delbert L. “Easter Thoughts.” *Ensign* 6 (May 1976): 76–78. Testifies that the miracles of Jesus are true.

Tvedtnes, John A. “The Garden Tomb.” *Ensign* 13 (Apr. 1983): 8–14. Discusses alternative sites of the tomb where Jesus was laid. Claims one location is the most likely place.


**Sermon on the Mount**


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Welch, John W. “The Lord’s Prayers.” *Ensign* 6 (Jan. 1976): 14–17. Describes the manner and content of Jesus’ prayers. Shows how they were appropriate models for his disciples’ prayers.


**Setting of Scenes**


**Symbols**


Draper, Richard D. “The Parables of Jesus.” *SS* 5:262-78. Compares parables to other literary devices. Points out that Jesus’ parables both concealed and revealed the message. Provides list of parables.


Merrill, Byron R. “’Behold the Lamb of God’: The Savior’s Use of Animals as Symbols.” *SBSS* 1990, 129-47. Discusses the following animals used by Jesus as symbols: serpent, camel, dog, horse, ass, dove, hen, wolf, goat, and sheep.


Teachings in General


Bradford, Reed H. “Sociological Significance of the Life of Christ.” *NTC*, 13–21. Considers the implications of Jesus’ teachings from group and individual points of view. Discusses American values such as success, power, and materialism and the institution of marriage.


——. “Neither Cryptic Nor Hidden.” *Ensign* 7 (May 1977): 28–30. Claims that elements of the teachings of Christ during his forty-day ministry are reflected in the epistles of the Apostles. The teachings are conveyed in subtle fashion and are not understood by most people.

“Can I Not Be Saved without Baptism?” *MS* 1 (Sept. 1840): 120–23. Question-answer format deals with the conversation with Nicodemus and the promise of signs to follow those who believe.


Godfrey, Kenneth W. “Lord, Teach Us to Pray.” *SNT* 1980, 84–87. Examines prayer as taught by Jesus, with some added insights from modern Church leaders.

Green, Doyle L. “Jesus Feeds the Multitude.” *IE* 60 (Aug. 1957): 564–65, 584–85. Comments on the beheading of John the Baptist, the walking on the water, the feeding of the thousands, and the bread of life discourse.

——. “The Raising of Lazarus.” *IE* 60 (Nov. 1957): 807–9, 880–81. Discusses the controversy of healing on the Sabbath, the raising of Lazarus, the healing of the ten lepers, and the conversation with the rich young man.


——. “Lord, Increase Our Faith.” *Ensign* 17 (Nov. 1987): 51–54. Illustrates cases where LDS members have shown great faith and encourages others to demonstrate greater faith.

Holland, Jeffrey R. “Lift Up Your Eyes.” *Ensign* 13 (July 1983): 8–13. Examines several episodes in the Gospel of John illustrating Jesus’ attempt to encourage people to transcend earthly things and rise to spiritual levels.


Jackson, Kent P. “The Bread of Life.” *SS* 5:288–95. Briefly comments on the feeding of the five thousand, the walking on water and the bread of life sermon.


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———. "Witnesses of Christ." Ensign 20 (Nov. 1990): 29-32. Shows how all members of the Church are expected to be witnesses of Christ.


Peterson, Stanley A. "Could Ye Not Watch with Me One Hour?" SNT 1988, 1-7. Recommends to Church Educational System teachers some ideals based on sayings of Jesus.


Tvedtnes, John A. "I Have a Question." Ensign 15 (Mar. 1985): 29. Comments on Matt. 19:24: "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."


—. "Without Guile." *Ensign* 18 (May 1988): 80-83. Invites listeners to exhibit traits similar to Nathanael, who was without guile.

**Teaching Techniques**

Bennion, Lowell L. "Jesus Kindled the Imagination." *Instructor* 101 (Feb. 1966): 66-67. Notes that Jesus was not dull; as a teacher he was an artist.
Droubay, Wendell P. "Christ: The Model Disciplinarian." *SNT* 1984, 105-7. Suggests that Jesus was not only a great teacher but a disciplinarian. Proposes how Church Educational System teachers can emulate disciplinary methods in their teaching.

Grass, Nan Osmond. “We Are All Substitute Teachers.” *Instructor* 104 (June 1969): 214-15. Proposes that all teachers in the Church are substitute teachers for Christ. Points out several qualities of Christ’s teaching methods.


Matthews, Robert J. “Jesus, the Master Teacher.” *SNT* 1988, 1–8. Enumerates and explicates Jesus’ teaching techniques.


Smith, Brian L. “The Questions Jesus Asked.” *SNT* 1984, 150–53. Notes the pedagogical and rhetorical types of questions found in Jesus’ teachings. Relates asking questions to Jesus’ instructional techniques.


Temptation

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