

KEY SECTION POINTS

SECTIONS 47-48 and 51-52

SECTION 47: John Whitmer—Church Historian

- The Church is commanded to keep its history and is promised the help of the Holy Ghost. We can have that same Spirit as we record our personal histories.

SECTION 48: Land For the Gathering In Ohio—Preparation for Missouri

- The Lord commands Latter-day Saints to share what they have with those in need.

SECTION 51: Law of Consecration and Stewardship

- Jesus Christ is the head of the Church and directs its organization (see also D&C 52:1–5, 22–44).
- Under the law of consecration, the bishop assigns members their portions according to their family, circumstances, wants, and needs. The bishop receives the members' excess goods and uses them to support the poor (see also D&C 42:30–42; 82:17).

SECTION 52: A Pattern In All Things—Teach What the Apostles and Prophets Have Written

- Missionaries are called by the Lord to go forth two by two and preach the gospel. They are to preach the scriptures and the words of the living prophets by the power of the Holy Ghost.
- The Lord has given us a pattern for discerning who is and isn't His servant.
- Elders are to watch over the Church, work to support themselves, and help care for the poor, the sick, and the afflicted.

Verse	A True Servant of the Lord:
15	Prays.
15	Has a contrite (repentant) spirit.
15	Obeys the Lord's ordinances.
16	Uses meek and uplifting language.
17	Receives the Lord's power.
17	Works and teaches according to God's revelations.