

THE BOOK OF THE ORDER

Of Elijah the Prophet

CHAPTER 1

1. The record of Elijah the Tishbite which he wrote for his disciple Elisha whom he called from his field in Abelmaholah unto the holy order of God.

2. Behold, I, Elijah, write this record with mine own hand and no man shall see it until I have ascended into heaven.

3. Then shall mine authority and the keys of my Priesthood which is the Priesthood of the Fathers pass to my son Elisha by right of lineage and obedience.

4. This Priesthood came down to me from the Fathers by lineage, for I am a descendant of Joshua the son of Nun who was descended from Ephraim the son of Joseph through whom the rights of the Firstborn descended in Israel.

5. These rights I received when I was but a lad from my Father before he was martyred for the testimony of Jehovah and, according to the word of the Lord, I have appointed Elisha, who is mine adopted son, to be my successor in bearing off this work.

6. Nevertheless, not all of my rights shall rest upon him, for the Lord hath said, behold, my servant Elijah shall not die but shall bear with him the keys of his ministry unto the heavenly city until the last days when I shall send him unto

one of his seed whom I shall raise up to bear the fullness of this ministry again among the sons of men.

7. But he shall leave with Elisha those keys necessary to continue his work in organizing the Schools of the Prophets and the Order of Enoch that the sons of the prophets may continue to live after the holy order of God.

CHAPTER 2

1. Therefore, my son Elisha, I leave for thee this Book of the Order by which thou mayest govern the Order of Enoch, for I have organized and governed this Order according to the revelations of the Lord to me and under the direction of his Holy Spirit I give thee these instructions.

2. Everyone who desireth to enter the Order of Enoch must be one who loveth the Lord his God with all his heart, might, mind and strength and one who loveth his fellowman as himself, according to the word of the Lord through Moses.

3. He must covenant to live the law of consecration and to hold all things common with his brethren according to the pattern set by our First Parents, for when they came forth from the garden they divided not up the land but held it in common until their posterity through wickedness began to lay claim to it for themselves.

4. Behold, this private ownership of the property came to pass through the teachings of that evil combination which was organized by Cain that men might get gain for themselves because the love of God and man is not in them.

5. He who entereth the Order must be one who is dedicated to seeing the face of God and receiving from him the promise of eternal lives.

6. He must keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord his God, to do what is good and upright in the sight of God according to that which he commanded through Moses the lawgiver and through his servants the prophets.

7. He who seeketh to enter the holy order of God must be one who loveth that which the Lord loveth and hateth that which the Lord hateth.

8. He must keep all the evil far from him and love to do good, that his works may bear testimony of his righteousness before God and man; he must be governed by the principles of truth, righteousness, and justice in all he doeth while in this tabernacle of clay, having repented of his inclination to follow after the dictates of the flesh, no longer doing evil according to the selfishness and jealousy and contentious spirit which dwelleth in the natural man.

9. Every member of the Order must be dedicated to bringing into a bond of mutual love all those who are striving to live after the holy order of God.

10. To live after the order of the ancients means that they must live in the community of God's elect, holding all things common and loving one another as themselves.

11. Yea, they must unite in one heart and one mind, for only thus can Zion be built up in its perfect order and the name of our God be glorified.

12. Those entering the holy order must have shown by their works their desires to live according to all that God has revealed, to keep all his commandments, to perfect their lives according to God's holy order that they may be sanctified by the blood of the covenant unto the renewal of their spirits and their bodies.

13. They must love all the children of Light, each according to his position in the House of God, for those who live the highest law are most able to be loved, and so forth, even unto the lowest law of God.

14. They must hate the works of darkness and avoid intercourse with the sons of Belial, each according to the measure of his guilt, for God will bring every work into judgment and those who associate with the wicked will be condemned with them.

CHAPTER 3

1. He who loveth the truth and truly desireth to live after the order of heaven must declare his willingness to be united to the congregation of the Lord's elect and must consecrate by covenant all of his mind, all of his strength and all of his wealth to the community of God so that his mind may be purified by the truth of the Lord's precepts, his strength controlled by the Lord's perfect ways, and his wealth disposed of in accordance with the Lord's just design.

2. He must order his life according to the pattern which the Lord hath given, observing the hours of worship, the Sabbaths and the Holy Days to do them, neither omitting the feasts nor neglecting the fasts of the Lord.

3. He must be one whose heart is knit unto the ordinances of God's law, who will strive diligently to preserve them in purity, neither breaking the laws, changing the ordinances nor neglecting the everlasting covenants of our God.

CHAPTER 4

1. When such a man cometh forward to present himself as a candidate for admission into the Order, he should be

examined carefully by the elders of the community, and having been proven worthy, he must enter into a covenant in the presence of God, the holy angels, and his brethren of the Order by entering into the waters of immersion that he will do according to all that God hath commanded and not turn away from the service of the Lord through fear of wicked men or evil spirits nor through discouragement because of the trials which Belial shall send against him, for the Lord God of our Fathers hath appointed that all who seek to live after his holy order shall be tried and purified until their gold is pure and their dross consumed.

2. When a man hath entered into this covenant in the waters of immersion, the elders of the community are to lay their hands upon his head and bless him with the Holy Spirit of God.

CHAPTER 5

1. At the end of each year, every member of the community is to be interviewed, from first to last, that the spiritual standing of each in the community may be determined.

2. This is needful so long as Belial continues to hold sway as the god of this world.

3. The object of this interview is that every man in Israel may be made aware of his status in the community of God's elect, that he may measure himself against the perfect, eternal society of heaven.

4. If any man finds that he is being governed by a law which is beyond his desires, then let him be placed among those who live after his own heart.

5. If any man will qualify himself to live a law higher than he is living, let the opportunity be given him to live that law.

6. Thus no man in Israel need be abased below his ability to qualify nor exalted above his desires to live after the heavenly pattern.

7. Thus all members of the community will stand, each in his proper place, according to a true evaluation of his standing before God.

8. Let those who judge in these matters, judge according to correct principle, in profound humility, being full of charity and equity toward their brethren and sisters that the society of heaven may flourish among you, being sanctified by love and unity in the Lord our God.

CHAPTER 6

1. Anyone who refuses to live after the pattern of God's holy order, the perfect society of heaven, but persists in walking after stubbornness of his own heart and the vain traditions of his fathers, shall not be admitted into the community of God's elect.

2. For inasmuch as he has rebelled against the discipline required of those who are called to set their lives in order according to the precepts of the heavenly law, he cannot be counted among the saints of the Most High.

3. The spiritual, mental, physical and material resources of such a man are of no value to the community of God's elect; therefore he shall not be permitted to enter into the Order of Enoch to live after the pattern of heaven.

4. If he were honest in acknowledging his weaknesses before God, then would the Lord make his weaknesses to

become strengths unto him, but inasmuch as his heart remaineth stubborn and he repenteth not, he shall remain in his sins.

5. Such an one looketh upon the light of God's truth but seeth only darkness.

6. He can never be sanctified because the light is not in him that he should be born again, a new creature in the Lord.

7. Although he should offer numerous sacrifices in the similitude of the Lamb of God and be immersed in water any number of times and be washed and anointed after the order of the Messiah, yet he can never be cleansed from his sins except through contrition and repentance, wherein he rejecteth his former works and walketh in the path which our Fathers walked, which is the holy order of God.

8. Unclean, unclean he remaineth so long as he will not be governed by the laws of God, neither submit himself to the ordinances; he shall never enter into communion with the heavenly hosts.

9. It is only when the spirit of man hath been awakened to the light of God's truth that he can begin to direct his life according to those holy principles by which he can ascend into the presence of God and make his calling and election sure.

10. Only through obedience to those laws and that holy order which have been handed down from our Fathers who entered into the presence of the Lord and held communion with the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn can a man sanctify his life to commune with the Fathers who have gone on before.