

(A wrap at the door. It is opened by Martha. Joseph Smith and Parley P. Pratt enter.)

Prophet Joseph Smith. A secret something prompted us to call at your home this evening.

(Vinson beckons for them to be seated.) Mother Knight leaves indignantly.
During this religious revival, of which you all know, I wonder much concerning the true Church. Thru the inspiration of the Lord, after battling with the powers of Satan, I found a wonderful record of the religious history of the ancient American Indians.

Martha. I have heard of your doctrine from my family, the McBrides, who have already accepted the gospel of Jesus Christ as you teach it.

Parley P. Pratt (handing some literature to Vinson, who arises from robe and sits and reads it.) The teachings of the newly found manuscript corresponds with the Bible, as you may note upon perusal thereof.

(Pause)

Vinson. Yes. I have just been reading one passage which correlates exactly with the Bible!

Joseph Smith. We will leave some of our literature for you to read in your leisure moments. (Hands literature to both Vinson and Martha.) Before leaving, however, I wish to bear you my solemn testimony before my Maker, the angels of heaven and you, my friends, that I know that God lives, and thru His only begotten Son, Jesus, the Christ, has restored His gospel as taught by Him personally. This has been predicted by many prophets. May the Lord bless you with His spirit that you may discern truth from error.

(Exit of Joseph Smith and Parley P. Pratt.)

Vinson Ruffling his hair. There is more sense to the doctrines of these men than I imagined. We must consider these matters seriously. I believe they are true.

Martha. Yes, dear, I am also convinced that they are the truth.

Curtain.

Narrator:

By visiting the meetings held by the Prophet and studying earnestly the gospel, they were soon thoroughly convinced of the divinity of the Prophet Joseph Smith's mission. Shortly they embraced the gospel with several of their kin and neighbors.

EPISODE V.

GILBERT BELNAP PERFORMS DANGEROUS MISSION

Place, Nauvoo and Carthage, Ill.

Time: 1844 and 1845

Joseph Smith, Earl R. Belnap.

Joseph Smith's Private Secretary, Amos Belnap.

Gilbert Belnap, Howard Knight Belnap.

Narrator:

A national financial crisis occurred throughout the United States, which affected Kirtland, Ohio. Therefore, much dissension arose among the Saints caused by the failure of Kirtland's bank.