

MARTHA MCBRIDE KNIGHT' S BLESSING

"Sister Knight, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I lay my hands upon thy head and ask for thee a blessing, even a father's blessing. The Lord, thy God, loves thee and not withstanding Satan has tempted thee many times and sought thy overthrow, yet thou hast been sustained and upheld by the hand of thy God, because of thy youth and the tenderness of thy mind. Let thy heart now be lifted up that thou mayest receive the desires of the same in blessings. Thou shalt have all the blessings in common with thy husband, and thy age shalt be as his age, thy comfort as his comfort, and thy joy as his joy. Thou shalt had many desires for thy friends and the Lord wilt hear and answer thy prayers, yes, all the desires of thy heart for thy friends shall be given thee, and if thou art faithful to thy covenants, all that thou desirest in righteousness shall be thine, for the Lord delights in blessing the pure and upright in heart. The Lord will teach thee wisdom and thou shalt have understanding to bring up thy family in the ways of truth, but thou must be in subjection to thy husband in all things according to the law of the Lord. Lift up thy heart in gladness for great things await thee. Thou shalt be satisfied in beholding the glories which shall come unto the faithful in these last days and thy children shall rise up and call thee blessed. With these blessings I seal thee up unto eternal life. Amen."

Joseph Smith Sr.

E. M. Green, clerk  
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