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Suppose that 500 had responded and suppose in the discipline of the journey from Kirtland to Independence, they had many marvelous experiences. If they had entered Jackson County peacefully, they might have redressed the balance of power here—had they kept the law. The Lord said, **‘Wherefore a commandment I give unto you, to prepare and organize yourselves by a bond or everlasting covenant that cannot be broken...that the church may stand independent above all other creatures beneath the celestial world (Doctrine & Covenants 77:2d-e).’** Oakman then comments: **How it would have changed the world, if 500 had responded to Joseph’s call to go to Missouri, even to the point that the 2 great World Wars might have not taken place. We have to assume some responsibility for what goes on in the world.**

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**Are we ready to redouble our efforts in seeking to build up the Kingdom of God? If not, why not? Will you commit to giving your all in this great cause? The world awaits a people and a city set on a hill to show them the way. Come let us become that people and build that city!**



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not, I revoke and they receive not  
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