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A BLESSING given by Oscar L. McFarland, Patriarch, upon the head of TIMOTHY DWIGHT MALONE, son of James Thomas Malone and Royleta Clopton, born 20 February 19xx at xxxxxx, Los Angeles, California.

Brother Timothy Dwight Malone, having been called by an apostle of the Lord Jesus Christ, I place my hands upon your head and give unto you your patriarchal blessing. I say unto you Timothy, the Lord is pleased that you have exercised your faith on this sacred occasion in going before Him for guidance. He will guide your footsteps with the light of the everlasting gospel that will keep you safe and happy if you will stay in its path.

You have been privileged Timothy, to come forth in this the last dispensation of the fullness of times when the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ has been restored in its fullness. This blessing came to you because of your faithful performance to duty in your pre-existent life. The Lord has sent you forth to represent him in this eventful day and age that we live in. This is an age when the restitution of all things is to take place, both good and the evil.

You are to be guided and directed and schooled in your mission Timothy, by the whisperings of the Holy Ghost unto you. And if you will listen to the whisperings of the Holy Spirit, that comes to you, you will be directed into the path that you should go, that your advancement will not be detained, that you will use every possible moment in your development for the work that you have been called to do.

You were a chosen son in the sight of our Father in Heaven. You are of the house of Israel through Ephraim and are entitled to all of the gifts and blessings appertaining to the Holy Priesthood that was promised unto Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. For you are a candidate for the Celestial Kingdom of God, to receive your eternal salvation, which is the greatest of all the gifts offered to our Father's children.

The Lord will visit you Timothy, with many gifts. You will be blessed with the gift of prophecy and revelation that you might speak the words of the Lord pertaining to the salvation of his children, for the day will come when you will be able to go into the nations of the earth to declare this gospel of the Kingdom.

You will be lead to the doors of those who are honest in heart, the believing blood of Israel, and share with them this precious truth. And in so doing, the Holy Ghost will enlighten your mind and make you equal to every assignment that is given to you through the priesthood. You will be magnified in your callings. The spirit of leadership will be upon you.

The training that you are now receiving is a prelude to the great responsibilities that are awaiting you. Take advantage of all this training, Timothy, because it will be a source of great strength to you as you live out your life. You will be called to preside in many high and holy callings representing our Father in Heaven.

You will have the gift of faith and the gift of healing upon you that you might bring comfort and blessings to those who are in need of the Lord's blessings. You will be able to bring the message of truth to those that you work with in many ways.

The Lord will bless you that you will be able to receive a goodly education in preparation for your life's work. He would have you aware that there are many wolves in sheep's clothing who are actually representatives of Satan that would try to destroy your testimony.

But you will be protected if you will make an effort through prayer and study and follow the admonitions of those that preside over you in the priesthood to receive the teachings and the instructions from those that believe in the Lord that will be an anchor to your soul and a help to you in getting your training.

You were born of goodly parents that have loved you and taught you the gospel, and that is a joy to you. Your home will be patterned after their example and through following this example you will be honored by your children. They will raise their voices in your behalf in honoring you because of the heritage that you have left them.

In the due time of the Lord, you will be blessed with a wonderful companion Timothy, one that will be a joy to your soul, for she will support you in the callings of the priesthood that you will have. She will teach your children to love and respect you and the Lord. You will be able to go to the house of the Lord with her and there be sealed for time and for all eternity in the new and everlasting covenant; which covenant will give you the authority to claim your posterity and to preside over them in righteousness.

Your sons and your daughters will be true to their testimony of the gospel. It will be a force for good upon the lives of many people. Your home will be a refuge from the ills of the world, a place where you can go before the Lord and invite Him to be with you. It will be a sacred place; a fit abode for heavenly visitations.

The Lord will bless you with both spiritual and material blessings Timothy, that you will have the wherewith to contribute to the building up of the Kingdom of God here upon the earth preparatory to the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. And as you share these blessings with the Lord, He will pour out more blessings upon you. Your cup will run over, your heart will be full. You will have the peace of mind that brings great comfort to the soul.

I bless you Timothy, with a desire in your heart to cast off the influences of the evil one, for he will seek to destroy you and your work. So be aware of his attempts. I bless you with the spirit of discernment that you will be able to discern him even as well as he camouflages his work and his agents. Our Father in Heaven will make you aware of his destructive forces so that you can be prepared and avert the pitfalls that may be placed before you.

I bless you with a long and useful life that your labors will bear fruits and that you will see the results of serving the Lord. I bless you that you will be able to maintain your faculties that you will be keenly aware of your mission here upon the earth.

I bless you with the spirit of Elijah that you might take to your ancestors the message of the gospel in the house of the Lord and release them from bondage, and set them free to enjoy the same blessings that you enjoy as a bearer of the priesthood. These many blessings are yours Timothy, to have and to hold.

I seal you up against the powers of evil. I seal you up to come forth in the morning of the first resurrection clothed with immortality and eternal lives, to inherit thrones, principalities, powers, dominions and exaltations all according to the performance of duty. And I do so in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.