

Final class

Wednesday, December 13, 2006
11:00 AM

What happened to Emma after the martyrdom? She makes a decision that she will not follow Brigham Young. At one point Joseph told Brigham that he loved Emma enough that he would go to hell and back for her and Brigham said he would have to. Emma goes and lives for a time with her sister in Dixon, Illinois. She puts up the hotel for sale, the man who she sold it to didn't meet the mortgage payments. By 1846 she leaves Dixon saying she has no friends but God and no place to turn but Nauvoo. She goes and runs the mansion house. Lucy Mack Smith is a permanent boarding guest there. Lewis Bidamin is also a permanent boarder. He was a major in the militia. They fall in love and they get married on December 23, 1847 (Joseph's birthday). They continue to run the mansion house and are prosperous for a time. The Nauvoo Temple was a major tourist attraction for a while, however when the temple is burned in 1848 the tourism dies down. Emma and Lewis need funds, they decide that Lewis will go to the gold fields in CA to search for gold. They exchange letters that are fairly steamy. Lewis is gone for over a year. When Lewis returns Emma had grown into her bones and had put on some weight and Lewis gets a mistress. The mistress and child move into the mansion house. 1860- Emma joins the RLDS church, she remains faithful in that church until her death. She puts together 3 hymnals for them. Lewis marries his mistress at the death of Emma. On Emma's deathbed Emma says that Joseph translated the Book of Mormon by the power of God. Her final words are "Joseph, Joseph, Joseph". Her oldest daughter Julia was 13 at the death of Joseph Smith, she is a major helper in the hotel. She runs off with a carnival men, she ends up in Texas, her husband dies in an explosion. She joins the Catholic church in Nauvoo, dies in her 40s of breast cancer. Frederick dies at 26. the other brothers are highly involved in the RLDS church. April 6, 1860 - Joseph Smith III becomes pres of the RLDS church. David Hyrum Smith and Alexander Hale Smith become apostles in that church. David Hyrum became convinced that Brigham Young had the truth while serving as an apostle, he was a bohemian person and he is put in an insane asylum. He dies in the asylum. While he is there he writes poetry that is beautiful.

The woman who made the first endowment clothing: Mary Elizabeth Rollins Lightner, she was jewish. She and her sister were the ones who rescued the manuscript for the D&C.

Up until the time of Wilford Woodruff women who were relief society presidents gave blessings. These women never believed they held the priesthood but thought they could do it because of their faith. Wilford Woodruff was the one who said that shouldn't happen.

The last official meeting in the Nauvoo Temple was feb 7, 1846 and Brigham prayed that it would be preserved or restored.

Polygamy was different than a lot of us understand. From the time it was introduced until 1890. The man had the choice of time and the woman had the choice for all eternity and they don't have to choose their husband. They went through and sealed the women to their rightful husbands.

Why did Joseph's children start the RLDS church? They didn't start it, they joined with it. In 1852 there are a lot of people in Iowa who didn't make it to SLC. By 1856 they wanted to reorganize, and they realized that they would need a prophet. They ask Joseph III to do be their prophet, and he turns it down in 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859 and finally in 1860 he accepts. The organization is totally backwards, you have to have the prophet first and then the church is organized.

There are very few of Joseph's descendants who are members of the church. In the summer of 2005 they brought in 200 of his descendants to tour BYU and see what their ancestor had done.

Early exams can be taken in Sister Black's office on Friday between 8am-12pm. The final is in the Wilkinson center. The last day of finals the last test is handed out at 5pm. It shouldn't take more than

an hour. There is only one essay question, it's going to be from the second half of the class. 90% is objective, multiple choice, true/false & matching- it is comprehensive. It's not going to be serious details, it'll be more general.

Brigham calls Nauvoo the City of Joseph. John C. Bennett is the first mayor of Nauvoo.