



## **April 5-11**

*"You are called to preach my gospel"*

## **Show Notes**

### **Podcast General Description:**

Follow Him: A *Come, Follow Me* Podcast with Hank Smith & John Bytheway

Do you ever feel that preparing for your weekly *Come, Follow Me* lesson falls short? Join hosts Hank Smith and John Bytheway as they interview experts to make your study for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' *Come, Follow Me* course not only enjoyable but original and educational. If you are looking for resources to make your study fresh, faithful, and fun--no matter your age--then join us every Sunday.

### **Podcast Episode 15 Description:**

#### **Part 1:**

Catch the excitement of the early days of missionary work as Dr. Robert Millet visits and reminds us why Oliver Cowdery, Parley P. Pratt, Peter Whitmer, and Ziba Peterson are the original Fantastic Four. Learn how their mission to the Lamanites didn't go as expected but what the Lord had in mind was much more significant. These early missionaries teach us to get people to the Grove, share from the Book of Mormon, and remember our strength is our diversity.

#### **Part 2:**

Does missionary work scare you? We can help! In Part II, our Fantastic Four (and others, especially Orson Pratt and Edward Partridge) discover the “field is white and ready to harvest.” Dr. Robert Millet shares how we are 11th Hour Workers and the Lord of the Vineyard is with his Servants and this episode will excite and encourage you to “open your mouth” and share the Good News. Additionally, if you know a Bishop, you’ll want to learn how Edward Partridge is a hero we should celebrate for “wasting and wearing out” his life for the Lord. You will never see missionary work or Bishops the same way again.

## Timecode:

### Part 1

- 00:00 Intro
- 01:43 Dr. Millet Introduction
- 03:23 Dr. Millet > Mr. Beast
- 04:29 New Members Introduced in Section 30
- 05:11 God Orchestrates the Right People Living in Right Place at the Right Time
- 07:06 Lots of Seekers at This Time Period
- 07:40 Dr. Millet Explains Thomas B. Marsh Early History
- 09:47 Short Parley P. Pratt Introduction
- 13:34 David Whitmer is Worried about Temporal Issues (and believes Hiram Page)
- 16:36 The Church Has Been Organized Six Months and Sends Missionaries
- 18:06 Dr. Millet Shares Personal Story About Missionaries Wanting Doctrines in the Bible (Shows Need for Restoration Scripture)
- 21:12 Teach Our Strength--Get to the Grove
- 25:20 Sections 30-33 are Many Mission Calls
- 25:46 Thomas B. Marsh is Commanded to Open His Mouth and His Family Health Situation is Unknown
- 28:36 Glad Tidings in the NT and in These Sections
- 30:09 Discussion About Meekness
- 34:32 The Lamanite Mission: Successful or Not?
- 37:53 Elder Maxwell Taught God Governs the Intersections of Our Lives
- 40:00 Goals and Room for Inspiration
- 41:37 Open Your Mouths
- 42:00 Ezra Thayer Conversion Story

- 46:15 Can Members Shift Allegiances When Leadership Changes Occur
- 48:24 Laborers in the Vineyard and It is the Eleventh Hour
- 49:36 Dr. Millet Shares Story of Teaching the Gospel vs. Teaching Out of a Book of Scripture
- 53:54 How Often Do the Scriptures Bring Us Back to First Principles

## Part 2

- 00:00 Welcome to Part II of Episode 15
- 00:45 Introduction to Orson Pratt, Parley's Younger Brother
- 02:01 Orson Loved Joseph Smith and the Church but Disagreed with Brigham Young
- 03:01 Parley P Pratt is Great Literary Mind and Poet
- 05:06 Orson Pratt Writes First Vision Account
- 07:20 We Meet Edward Partridge--One of the Greats
- 10:32 Edward Partridge as Bishop
- 14:47 Story about Lyman Johnson: Whose Kingdom are You Trying to Build?
- 15:33 The Lord's Time When He Says "I Come Quickly"
- 17:30 Among Missionary Sections, We Meet Sidney Rigdon (Including Head Injury Story)
- 20:03 The Joseph Smith Translation and Moses 1 and Genesis 2
- 21:29 The JST Process and Emma and Sidney as Scribes
- 23:10 The Scribal Method
- 26:26 Robert Matthews Works with Community of Christ and Gains Access to the JST
- 28:31 JST and Doctrine and Covenants are Happening Concurrently
- 30:36 Robert Matthew is an Unsung Hero
- 33:08 Why Robert Matthews Decides to Study and Reach out the Community of Christ about the JST
- 33:55 Dr. Millet Shares Robert Matthews Story and His Granddaughter had Prayed to Know More About Her Grandfather
- 37:52 Robert Matthews Rarely Admits to Being Instrumental in Gaining Access to the JST
- 42:30 The Community of Christ (RLDS) are Excellent Keepers of the Original JST Transcripts
- 45:07 If the Church Doesn't Receive the Fullness of the Scriptures, They Will Fall
- 46:50 Sidney Rigdon's Position Changes with Joseph Smith
- 48:09 Sidney is a Gifted Orator and Brings People to Tears in Liberty Jail Case
- 49:02 The Lord Calls Who He Calls and Isn't Always Who We Assume
- 52:01 The Lord Knows Our Difficulties but Speaks Encouragingly
- 54:01 Dr. Millet Shares Story about Interfaith Group and the Possibility of Joseph Smith and His Testimony

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