

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

The First Quorum of the Seventy
47 East South Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84150

July, 1984

Fellow Varsity Scouts:

Today you stand on this mountain peak. Every Varsity Scout and leader who stands with you shares in this achievement, which comes only from paying the price and a total commitment. Winston Churchill stated, "We have not journeyed all this way across the centuries, across the oceans, across the mountains, across the prairies, because we were made of sugar candy."

Last year we shared a poem entitled "The Torchbearer." This year we counsel you to be prepared for the time when the baton will be passed to you. There must be no faltering, nor can we afford to drop the baton. The competition will be fierce on this, the anchor lap. The foe is trained to perfection. He has had no veil placed over his mind. He knows who you were in the Spirit World. He knows who you were foreordained to become. He had his own computer filled with data about you. He has monitored your every move. He has no integrity, no character, no principle. His aim is your destruction and he gives no quarter.

But, brethren, you are tapped into a source of power that will win the race. We do have integrity, truth, principle and faith. Our Leader has His army and it is as clear as the sun and fair as the moon. His banners are terrible to our enemies. His commitment is absolute. His victory is certain and will be glorious. He will lead us with confidence and love. We will win. The banners of the foe are black, ours are white. It will always be thus. There never has been, nor never will be, a leader to compare to Jesus, our Christ. We are His army. Onward, Christian soldiers. We will win. We were born to win.

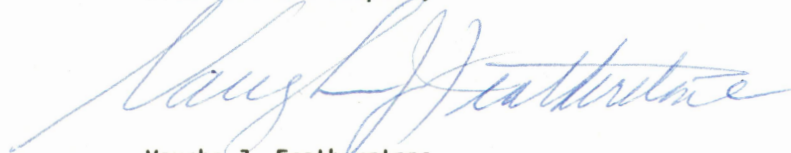
The story is told of King Louis XIV's son, the prince, who was kidnapped by a band of evil revolutionists. They took the lad and over many months exposed him to every conceivable vice. They tempted him with sumptuous, rich foods and with wine, and liquor. Their language was filthy and profane. They told him dirty stories to pollute his young mind. They tempted him by making women of loose moral character available for his every desire. There was nothing that the mind of man can conceive, which these men were not prepared to indulge him.

Many months passed, he never compromised one standard. They were baffled and astonished. They said: "Why? Why have you not taken advantage of all these luxuries, food, liquor, loose women, etc.?" He stood before them fair and tall, head erect and replied, "I cannot do what you ask, for I was born to be a king."

And, my young friends, God is our Father and you were born to be kings and gods. We can become like our Father. Reach for the stars, stay pure, walk uprightly before the Lord. Always walk in high places, stand on holy ground, remember this day. Today you are standing on holy ground. The prophets have always sought high places to communicate with God.

Make fervent commitment today to prepare for your royal destiny, for you were born to be a king. We love you and our prayers are with you. You are made of the "right stuff," success is yours, be prepared.

With love and respect,



Vaughn J. Featherstone

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

1964

PHILOSOPHY 101

PHILOSOPHY 101: INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

PHILOSOPHY 101: INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

PHILOSOPHY 101: INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

PHILOSOPHY 101: INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

PHILOSOPHY 101: INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

PHILOSOPHY 101: INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

PHILOSOPHY 101

PHILOSOPHY 101