

Charity—a Sign of True Discipleship

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President Russell M. Nelson recently invited us to “make our discipleship our highest priority.” That powerful invitation has stirred me to ponder deeply about my personal discipleship of Jesus Christ.

Discipleship Is Deliberate

A disciple is a follower or student of another. Disciples are “apprentices” who devote their lives to becoming like their teacher. Thus, being a disciple of Jesus Christ implies more than believing His teachings and doctrine. It even implies more than acknowledging His divinity and accepting Him as our Savior and Redeemer, as vitally important as that is.

President Dallin H. Oaks explained: “Following Christ is not a casual or occasional practice. It is a continuous commitment and way of life that should guide us at all times and in all places.” Discipleship is a deliberate journey that we take to become transformed through the Lord’s atoning sacrifice and His enabling power. The real destination of discipleship is literally to become as Jesus Christ is—even to the point where we receive “his image in [our] countenances.”

To be the Lord’s disciples, we must intentionally imitate His thoughts and actions every day—for example, His obedience, humility, and patience. As we gradually incorporate these attributes into our own identities, we become

Te vāhi tāpaeraʻa mau o te tiʻaraʻa pipi, ʻò te riroraʻa ia mai ia Iesu Mesia rā te huru.

Nō ani noa nei te Perediseni Russell M. Nelson ia tātou ’ia « faʻariro i tō tātou tiʻaraʻa pipi ’ei mea faufaʻa roa aē nō tātou. » ’Ua riro teie tītauraʻa pūai i te tūpere i tōʻu feruriraʻa hōhonu i tōʻu huru tiʻaraʻa pipi nō Iesu Mesia.

Te tiʻaraʻa pipi e ravehia ma te manaʻo tae

Te tiʻaraʻa pipi hōē ia taʻata ’āpēē ’e ’aore rā e pīahi nō te tahi atu. E mau « rima tauturu » te mau pipi tei hōroʻa i tō rātou ora nō te faʻariro ia rātou mai tō rātou ’orometua. Nō reira, te riroraʻa ’ei pipi nō Iesu Mesia, e hau atu ia i te tiʻaturiraʻa i tāna mau haʻapiʻiraʻa ’e tāna haʻapiʻiraʻa tumu. E hau atu ā i te ’iteraʻa i tōna atuaraʻa ’e te faʻariʻiraʻa iāna ’ei Faʻaora ’e ’ei Tāraēhara, e faufaʻa roa atu ā.

’Ua tātara te Peresideni ʻò Dallin H. Oaks : « E ’ere te peʻeraʻa i te Mesia i te ’ohipa tāuʻa ’ore ’e ’aore rā nō te tahi noa taime riʻi. E parau fafau tāmāu ’e e huru oraraʻa e tano i te arataʻi ia tātou i te mau taime atoʻa ’e i te mau vāhi atoʻa. » ’Ua riro te tiʻaraʻa pipi ’ei faʻanahoraʻa tāmāu ʻò tā tātou e rave nō te tau i tātou nā roto i te tūtia tāraēhara a te Fatu e tōna mana hōroʻa noa. Te vāhi tāpaeraʻa mau o te tiʻaraʻa pipi, ʻò te riroraʻa ia mai ia Iesu Mesia rā te huru ē tae roa atu i te rēni e faʻariʻi ai tātou i « tōna hōhoʻa i roto i tō [tātou] huru faʻa’iteraʻa. »

Nō te riroraʻa ’ei pipi nō te Fatu, e tītauhia ia tātou i te ’āpēē pāpū i tōna mau manaʻo ’e te mau raveraʻa ’ohipa i te mau mahana tātaʻitahi, ’ei hiʻoraʻa, te haʻapaʻoraʻa, te haehaʻa, ’e te faʻaʻoromaʻi. ’Ia ʻōōmo tātuhāʻa anāe tātou i teie mau ’ateriputi

“partakers of [His] divine nature.” This emulation of the Savior’s character is at the heart of worshipping Him. As President Nelson taught, “Our adoration of Jesus is best expressed by our emulation of Jesus.”

The Sign of True Discipleship

Of all the many divine attributes of Jesus Christ we are to emulate, one stands preeminent and embodies all others. That attribute is His pure love, or charity. Both the prophet Mormon and the Apostle Paul remind us that without charity, “[we] are nothing.” Or, as revealed to the Prophet Joseph Smith, without “charity, [we] candonothing.”

The Savior Himself identified love as a mark or sign by which His true disciples would be recognized when He declared:

“A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

“By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.”

Charity is a rich concept that can be difficult to define but is easily perceived by all who are touched by it. Preach My Gospel teaches that “charity, like faith, leads to action.” Indeed, charity may be described as “love in action.” This description provides great insight into the summary statement of the Savior’s life—He “went about doing good.”

As followers of Jesus Christ, we should seek to emulate the way our Master demonstrated His pure love for others. Although the Savior manifests charity in many ways, I would like to call attention to three particular patterns of His charity that are readily seen in His true disciples.

Charity Is Showing Compassion

First, the Savior showed charity by being compassionate. During His ministry among the Nephites, as recorded in the Book of Mormon, the Lord invited the people to return home and ponder on the things He had taught and to pre-

i roto i tō tātou iho hīro’a, e noa’a ia tātou i « te huru atua i reira ». Teie huru hīro’a i te mau peu a te Fa’aora tei roto ia i te tumu nō te ha’amorira’a iāna. Mai tā te Peresideni Nelson i ha’api’i mai, « Tā tātou ha’amorira’a ia Iesu e ’itehia te reira nā roto i tā tātou fa’atūeara’a ia Iesu ».

Te tāpa’o mau nō te ti’ara’a pipi

I roto i te mau ’ateriputi rau o te atuara’a ’o Iesu Mesia tei tītauhia ia tātou ’ia pe’e atu, hōē i nī’a aē ’o tē pū’ohu nei ia rātou pā’ato’a. Taua huru, ’o te here aneane, e ’aore rā te aroha. ’Ua fa’ahamano nā peropheta e piti ’o Moromona e te ’āpōtetro ’o Pauro ia tātou e mai te peu ē ’aita e aroha, « ’aita roa [tātou] e faufa’ahia. » ’E ’aore rā, mai te heheuhia mai i te peropheta ra ia Iosepha Semita, ’aita e « aroha, ’aita [tātou] enehenehee rave i te hōē mea iti aē. »

’Ua hī’o ihoā te Fa’aora ma te pāpū, i te aroha, mai te tahi tipa’o ’aore rā e tāpa’o tei fa’ariro i tāna mau pipi ti’a ’ia ’itehia :

« E tu’u atu vau i te parau ’āpī nā ’outou, E aroha ’outou ia ’outou iho, mai ia’u e aroha atu ia ’outou na, e aroha ato’a ho’i ’outou ia ’outou iho.

« ’O te meateie e ’ite ai te tāata ato’a ē, e pipi ’outou nā’u, ’ia aroha ’outou ia ’outou iho. »

Te aroha, e atamanava faufa’a roa tei riro ’ei tuha’a ’ohie ’ore i te tātara atu terā rā e mea ’ohie i te tā’ato’ara’a tei hāro’aro’a ē o tei putapū. Tē ha’api’ihia rā i roto’ia poro haere i tā’u nei ’Ēvan-eliana te « aroha, mai te fa’aro’o ato’a ho’i, e arata’i te reira i nī’a i te [action] ’ohipa tāmau ». Inaha, e nehenehe te aroha e parauhia « te here i roto i te ’ohipa tāmau ». E hōro’a teie hōho’a i te tahi hī’ora’a ē vai rā i roto i te parau pū’ohura’a mai roto mai i te orara’a o te Fa’aora—’o « te hāmani maita’i haere rā ».

’Ei feiā pe’e nō Iesu Mesia, e tītauhia ia tātou i te tā’amu ia tātou i te haere’a tā tō tātou Fatu i fa’a’ite i tōna aroha aneane nō vetahi ē. Noa atu ā tō te Fa’aora e fa’a’itera’a i tōna aroha nā roto i te raura’a ’o te huru, te hina’aro nei au e pi’i ia tātou e tē vai nei e toru hōho’a nō tōna aroha tei hī’o maita’ihia i roto i tāna rā mau pipi.

E fa’a’itera’a te aroha i te aumihi.

A tahi, ’ua fa’a’ite te Fa’aora i tōna aroha nā roto i te aumihi. I roto i tāna aupurura’a i rotopū i te ’āti Nephi mai te fa’a’itehia i roto i te buka a Moromona, ’ua ani te Fatu i te mau tāata ato’a ē ’ia ho’i atu i roto i tō rātou mau ’utuāfare e ’ia

pare for His return the following day. The record then states:

“They were in tears, and did look steadfastly upon him as if they would ask him to tarry a little longer with them.

“And he said unto them: Behold, my bowels are filled with compassion towards you.”

Compassion is the portion of charity that seeks to alleviate suffering. Filled with compassion, the Lord healed the sick and afflicted among the people. Afterward, He blessed their children while angels descended from heaven and surrounded them. He performed these tender, loving acts, and many more, because He was “moved with compassion.”

While serving as a young missionary in South America, I likewise benefited from the compassion of a dear friend. One evening while I was driving with my companion to the home of our mission president, a young man on a bicycle turned suddenly in front of the vehicle. It happened so quickly that I could not avoid the collision. Tragically, this young man was killed by the impact. I was devastated over the loss of his life. Terrified and in shock as the awful reality of what had just occurred crashed down upon me, I was taken to jail and locked up. I have never felt more frightened and alone. I was filled with despair and fear that I would be imprisoned for the rest of my life.

A fellow missionary, Elder Brian Kochevar, learned of the accident and was moved by compassion. He came to the jail and pled with the officers to be allowed to stay with me in the cell so that I would not be alone. Miraculously, they agreed. To this day, I feel profound gratitude for this disciple's act of Christlike love, which calmed, comforted, and consoled me during the greatest moment of distress in my life. His charitable compassion was a telling sign of his discipleship. As President Nelson observed, “One of the easiest ways to identify a true follower of Jesus Christ is how compassionately that person treats other people.”

feruri māite i te mau mea ato'a o tana i ha'api'i atu ia rātou 'e nō te fa'aineine i tōna ho'ira'a mai i te mahana i muri mai. Tē fa'a'ite nei te mau pāpā'ira'a :

« Tei roto rātou i te 'oto 'o te roimata, ma te hi'ō pāpū i ni'a iāna mai te huru rā ē, tē ani rā rātou iāna 'ia ha'atāere ri'i mai ā i pīha'i iho ia rātou.

« 'E 'ua nā 'ō aturā 'oia ia rātou : Inaha, 'ua 'i tō'u 'āau i te aroha ia 'outou ».

Te aumihi e tuha'a te reira nō te aroha tei 'imi ia uama te māuiui. Ma te 'i te aumihi, 'ua fa'aora te Fatu i te feiā ma'i 'e te fa'a'oto'oto i rotopū i te nūna'a. I muri mai, 'ua ha'amaita'i 'oia i te mau tamāri'i 'a pou mai ai te mau melahi mai te ra'i mai 'e 'ua hā'ati ia rātou. 'Ua fa'a'ohipa 'oia i teie marū, te mau fa'a'ohipara'a aroha, 'e tē vai atu ā, nō te mea « tei roto 'oia i te terera'a nō te aumihi. »

I tō'u tāvinira'a 'ei misiōnare tāmāu i Amerita Apato'a, hōē ā huru tō'u fa'ari'ira'a i te aumihi mai roto mai i te tahi tau'a herehia. I te tahi tapera'a mahana i tō'u fa'ahorora'a te pereōō 'e tō'u hoa misiōnare i te fare nō tō māua peresideni misiōni, 'ua tipu'u tā'ue mai te tahi taure'are'a nā ni'a i tōna pereōō tā'ata'ahi i mua i tō māua faura'o. 'Ua tupu vitiviti roa teie 'ohipa i 'ore au e 'ape i te ūra'a. Inaha, 'ua pohe roa teie taure'are'a i roto i teie ūra'a. 'Ua 'āehuehu roa vau nō teienei pohera'a. Ma te mata'u rahi 'e i roto i te 'ete'ete mai teie 'ohipa hā'iri'iri mau nō teie ūra'a tei tōpa mai i ni'a iā'u, 'ua tu'uhia vau i roto i te fare tāpe'ara'a e 'ua tāmāu-roa-hia. Aita roa vau i 'ite a'enei i te ri'ari'a rahi 'e te vaira'a hōē noa. 'Ua 'i roa vau i te tapineva 'e te hōiriri'a 'e e nehenehe au e mau i roto i te fare auri nō te toe'a o tō'u orara'a.

Te tahi tae'a misiōnare, 'o Elder Brian Kochevar, tei fa'aro'o i te parau nō te ūra'a 'e 'ua roa'a iāna i te aumihi. 'Ua haere mai 'oia i te fare tāpe'ara'a 'e 'ua ani i te mau muto'i 'ia vaiiho iāna e parahi mai iā'u ra i roto i te fare auri, 'ia ore au e fa'aea 'ōtahi noa. 'Aue ho'i ē te semeio, 'ua fa'ari'i rātou. Tae mai i teienei mahana te ha'amāuruuru hōhonu nei au i teie pipi tei fa'atupu i teie aroha huru Mesia, tei tāmārū, ha'amahanahana 'e tei hā'anā iā'u i roto i te 'ū'anara'a nō tō'u hepohepo i roto i tō'u orara'a. Tōna aroha aumihi tei fa'a'ite i te tāpa'o nō tōna ti'ara'a pipi. Mai te hi'ohia e te peresideni Nelson, « Hōē o te mau rāve'a 'ohie roa nō te 'ite i te tahita'ata tei pe'e pāpūia Iesu Mesia o te huru aroha ia o te reira tā'ata i ni'a i te tahi atu mau tā'ata ».

Charity Is Ministering to Unspoken Needs

Another example of how the Savior demonstrates His love is through His observance of and ministry to the unspoken needs of others. To the man who had been lame for 38 years with no one to help him, the Lord made him whole and encouraged him to live righteously. To the woman caught in adultery, He offered hope and comfort rather than condemnation. For the man with paralysis who was lowered from the roof, the Lord offered forgiveness of sins, not just healing of body.

When I was called to serve as a bishop, our six young children made sacrament meetings challenging for my wife, Cristin, who had to manage them alone while I sat on the stand. As you may imagine, our children were often less than reverent. Noticing her situation, two members of our ward, John and Debbie Benich, began sitting with her each Sunday to help. Their kindness continued for years, and they became surrogate grandparents to our family. Like the Lord, these disciples had noticed the unspoken need and acted in love—a prominent sign of their discipleship.

Charity Is Helping Others Along the Covenant Path

Lastly, the Savior's perfect love is focused on enabling all of God's children to fulfill our divine potential that we may "partake of his salvation, and the power of his redemption." As we become more like our Master, our desire to help our brothers and sisters along the covenant path will naturally increase.

For instance, we can uplift and befriend those who feel offended or forgotten, help those who are new to our congregation feel welcome, or invite friends to worship with us at sacrament meeting—perhaps this coming Easter. There are countless ways to encourage and assist others in their progression if we deliberately and prayerfully seek heaven's help to have eyes to see and a heart to feel how Jesus Christ sees and feels for them.

Te aroha, 'o te aupurura'a i te mau hina'aro parau-'ore-hia

Te tahi atu ā hi'ora'a e mea nāhea te Fa'aora i fa'a'ite ai i tōna aroha nā roto i tōna ha'apa'ora'a e tōna 'aupurura'a i te mau hina'aro parau 'orehia 'o vetahi 'ē. I te ta'ata paruparu rahi a 38 matahiti e 'ore roa hōē a'e e tauturu iāna, 'ua fa'ati'a te Fatu iāna i ni'a e 'ua fa'aitoito iāna i te ora ma te parauti'a. Oia ato'a te vahine fa'aturi i ro'ohia, 'ua hōro'a 'oia i te tia'iturura'a e te tāmāhanahana i te fa'auto'ara'a. Nō te ta'ata ha'apepa tei tu'uhia mai ni'a mai i te tāpo'i fare, 'ua hōro'a te Fatu i te tatarahapara'a nō te hara, 'eiaha noa te fa'aorara'a i te tino.

I tōu pi'ira'ahia 'ei 'episekōpo, tā māua nā tamāri'i e ono, tei fa'ariro i te 'ōro'a a te Fatu 'ei matapu 'āa nō tā'u vahine, Christine, tei fa'aitoito i te rave ia rātou 'ona āna'e iho 'a pārahi ai au i ni'a i te purupiti. Mai ia 'outou e mana'o rā, 'aore roa tā māua tamāri'i i ha'apa'o maita'i. Tē 'it-erā'ahia i teie huru 'ohipa, 'ua ti'a mai e piti melo o tā mātou pāroita, 'o John e 'o Debbie Benich, te ha'amata i te pārahi i pi'ha'i iho iāna i te mau Sābati tāta'itahi nō te tauturu iāna. 'Ua tupu tō rāua hāmani maita'i e rave rahi matahiti, e 'ua riro rāua e metua rū'au nō tō māua 'utuāfare. Mai te Fatu, 'ua 'ite teie mau pipi i te hina'aro parau-'ore-hia e 'ua fa'āhipa rātou nā roto i te aroha, te tāpa'o 'ōtahi nō tō rātou ti'ara'a pipi.

E tauturu te aroha ia vetahi 'ē tei au i te 'ē'a nō te fafaura'a

'E i te hōpe'a, te aroha aneane o te Fa'aora 'ei pū nō te hōro'a i te mau tamāri'i ato'a a te Atua nō te fa'a'i i tō tātou huru atuara'a 'ia nehenehe tātou 'ia « 'ōhapa i tāna fa'aorara'a, e te mana nō tāna tāra'ehara. » Mai ia tātou e riro mai tō tātou Fatu, tō tātou hina'aro nō te tauturu i tō tātou mau tae'a e te mau tuahine tei au i te 'ē'a nō te fafau-ra'a e riro te reira i te tupu i te rahi.

'Ei hi'ora'a, e nehenehe tātou e fa'ateitei e e fa'ahoa ia rātou tei fa'a'inoia 'aore rā tei ha'amo'ehia, 'ia tauturu i te ta'ata 'āpi i roto i tā tātou pāroita 'ia fa'ari'i pou-pouhia, e 'aore rā te 'anira'a i te mau hoa 'ia ha'amori 'āmui mai e tātou i roto i te purera'a 'ōro'a—penei a'e i teie 'ōro'a pasa e fātata mai nei. E rave rahi mau rāve'a nō te fa'aitoito 'e nō te 'āpiti atu ia vetahi 'ē i roto i tō rātou nu'ura'a 'ia 'imi ana'e tātou ma te mana'o tae 'e te pure tāmāu, i te tauturu nō te ra'i mai 'ia araara te mata nō te hi'o atu'e te 'ā'au nō te nīoa

Helping others along their covenant path may take the form of an unconventional act of service. As an example, during my current assignment in the Philippines, I learned of the Agamata family. They were baptized in 2023, and then they eagerly set a date to be sealed as a family in the nearby Urdaneta Philippines Temple. However, just before the family's appointment, several typhoons struck the region. Brother Agamata, a rice farmer, was unable to plant his crops during the harsh storms. When the tempests finally passed, he needed to quickly plant the rice while the ground was soaked with water—ideal conditions for planting. Sadly, the temple trip would have to be postponed.

Two disciples, Elder and Sister Cauilan, along with three young service missionaries, heard of the Agamata family's struggle and offered help despite having no farming experience. Working under the blistering sun, they helped plant the seedlings, allowing the Agamatas to complete their task and attend their temple sealing as scheduled. Elder Cauilan observed that “[the Agamatas’] countenances glowed as we saw them dressed in white in the house of the Lord. The joy we felt ministering to the one is a joy beyond compare!”

The Agamatas now enjoy the rich blessings of being sealed as an eternal family because a few fellow disciples who were filled with charity—a sign of their discipleship—determined to help their brothers and sisters forward along their covenant path.

Brothers and sisters, discipleship of Jesus Christ is the only way to obtain enduring happiness. It is a path filled with deliberate and purposeful acts of love toward others. While the path of discipleship may be difficult and challenging, and while at times we may struggle and fall short, we can take comfort that God is mindful of us and yearns to help us every time we try. Isaiah reminds us that “God will hold [our] hand, saying ... , Fear not; I will help thee.”

With this assurance from our Father in Heaven in mind, I earnestly pray that we may

e mea nāhea 'o Iesu Mesia e hi'o ai 'e e nioa nō rātou.

E nehenehe te tauturura'a ia vetahi 'ē, i ni'a i te 'ēa nō te fafaua'a, e riro e tāvinira'a ta'a 'ē roa i tei mātauhia nā. Mai teie i te huru, i te tahi tītau-ra'a tā'u i te fenua Firipino, 'ua fa'aro'o na vau nō te 'utuāfare Agamata. 'Ua bāpetizohia rātou i te matahiti 2023, 'e i i muri noa 'ua fa'anaho onono rātou i te tahi tai'o mahana nō te tā'ati ia rātou 'ei 'utuāfare mure 'ore i roto i te Urdaneta hiero nō Firipino. Nō reira, hou tā rātou mahana i fa'ana-hohia, 'ua fa'aū rātou e rave rahi māta'i rorofa'i i tō rātou fenua. Te tae'ae Agamata, e ta'ata fa'a'apu raiti, 'aita roa 'oia i nehenehe i te tanu i tāna mā'a nā roto i taua mau mata'i rorofa'i ra. I te fa'eara'a teie mau māta'i ra, 'ua tītauhia 'ia tanu vitiviti 'oia i tāna mā'a raiti i te taime 'ua puru te repo i te pāpe—te taime au nō te tanura'a. Ma te tūruhe, te tere i te hiero 'ua fa'āorehia ia.

E piti nau pipi, 'o Elder 'e 'o Tuahine Cauilan, 'āpēhia mai e to'otoru nā misionare tāvini, tei fa'aro'o i te hepohepo o te 'utuāfare Agamata 'e 'ua tauturu ia rātou noa atu 'ē 'aita rātou i 'ite i te fa'a'apu. Te 'ohipara'a i raro a'e i te pūai o te mahana, 'ua tauturu rātou i te tanura'a i te mau huero raiti, tei hōro'a i te Agamata 'ia fa'ahope i tā rātou 'ohipa 'e te terera'a i te hiero nō tō rātou tā'atira'a mai te 'ōpuahia. 'Ua hi'o 'o Elder Cauilan i tō « [te Agamata] hōho'a mata 'e 'ua 'ana'ana 'ia hi'o-anāe-hia rātou 'e tō rātou 'ahu 'uo'uo i roto i te fare o te Fatu. Tō mātou 'oa'oa i te aupurura'a 'ua hau ia i te poupuu tei 'ore e ti'a 'ia fa'aaui ! »

I teienei tē 'oa'oa nei te Agamata i te mau ha'amaita'ira'a i te tā'atira'ahia 'ei 'utuāfare mure 'ore i te mea 'ē te tahi mau pipi tei 'i i te aroha—e te tāpa'o nō tō rātou ti'ara'a pipi—tei fa'aitoito nō te tauturu i tō rātou mau tae'ae 'e mau tuahine 'ia haere i mua nā te 'ēa o te fafaua'a.

Te mau tae'ae 'e te mau tuahine, te ti'ara'a pipi nō Iesu Mesia o te 'ēa 'otahi ana'e ia nō te fa'ari'i i te 'oa'oa'āa tāmau. E 'ēa tei 'i i te ferurira'a 'e te hina'aro i te mau 'ohipa nō te aroha ia vetahi 'ē. 'A riro ai te 'ēa nō te ti'ara'a pipi i te tāfifi 'e te tūror-irori, 'e i te taime e tūtava ai tātou 'e e tōpatopari'i, e nehenehe tātou e tāmarū ia tātou iho i roto i te 'iterā'a 'e e Atua mata ara 'oia nō tātou 'e e fāna'o tātou i te tauturura'a i te taime iho tātou e tāma-ta ai. Tē fa'aha'amana'o nei 'o Isaia 'ia tātou 'ē « e mau te Atua i tō [tātou] rima 'o tei parau atu [...] 'Eiaha e mata'u ; 'o vau ho'i tō 'oe tauturu ».

Ma te fāna'o mai roto mai i tō tātou Metua i te ao ra i roto i tō tātou ferurira'a, tē pure onoo-

follow President Nelson's invitation to prioritize our discipleship. May we "pray unto the Father with all the energy of heart" to "be filled with this love, which he hath bestowed upon all who are true followers of his Son, Jesus Christ; ... that when he shall appear we shall be like him" because we will carry a sign of true discipleship, which is "charity ... the pure love of Christ."

I testify that Jesus Christ is our living, glorious Savior, Redeemer, Exemplar, and Friend. In the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

no nei au 'ia pe'e tātou i tā te Peresideni Nelson tītaura'a nō te tu'u i mua roa i tō tātou ti'ara'a pipi. 'Ia pure atu tātou « i te Metua ma te pūai hope o te 'āau » 'e « 'ia 'i i teie nei aroha, 'o tāna i hō mai i te ta'ata ato'a 'ia pe'e mau i tāna tamaiti ia Iesu Mesia [...] 'e 'ia fā mai 'oia ra 'ia riro tātou mai iāna ra te huru », nō te mea e amo tātou i te tāpāo nō tō tātou ti'ara'a pipi, 'oia ho'i « te aroha [...] te aroha aneane o te Mesia ».

Tē fa'a'ite pāpū nei ē, tē ora nei 'o Iesu Mesia, tō tātou Fa'aora hanahana, tō tātou Tāra'ehara, tō tātou Hi'o 'e tō tātou Hoa. I te i'oa o Iesu Mesia, 'āmene.