

CCT: A Genetic Analysis of TS, RC. Pericope 13.

WR	SR TB	WW	WC	GL1	TS	RC
to do what the father did. ¹ Lay down his body. & take it up again-	the Far. did that ansr. is obvious in a manner to lay down his body & take it up—J— did as my Far. laid down his body & take it up agn. if you don't believe it you don't believe the Bible the Scrip says & I defy all hell all learnng. wisdom & records of hell togr to refute it here then is Etl. life to know the only wise and true God ²	the father did even to lay down my body & take it up again do you believe it, if not, dont believe the bible. I defy all Hell and earth to refute it.	why what the father did, to lay down his body and took it up again. Jesus what are you going to do—to lay down my life as my father did that I might take it up again. If you deny it you deny the bible. I defy the records and wisdom & all the combined powers of earth and hell to refute it.	we choose tabernacles for ourselves that we might be exalted equal with God himself and therefore, Jesus Christ spoke in this manner; I do as my Father before me did. Well what did the Father do? Why he went and took a body and went to redeem a world in the flesh ³ and had power to lay down his life and to take it up again and this is the way we become heirs with God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ. ⁴	why what the Father did, that answer is obvious; in a manner to lay down his body and take it up again. Jesus what are you going to do? To lay down my life , as my Father did, ⁵ and take it up again.— ⁶ If you do not believe it, you do not believe the Bible; the scriptures say it, and I defy all the learning and wisdom, ⁷ all the combined powers of earth and ⁸ hell together, to refute it. Here then is eternal life, to know the only wise and true God.	Why what the Father did; the answer is obvious, in a manner to lay down his body and take it up ⁹ again. Jesus, what are you going to do? To lay down may life as my Father did, and take it up again. Do you believe it? if you do not believe it, you do not believe the bible; the scriptures say it, and I defy all the learning and wisdom, and all the combined powers of earth and hell together to refute it. Here, then is eternal life- to know the only wise and true God;

¹ John 5:19 is the reference.

² John 17:3.

³ GL1 offers a specific interpretation, requiring the Father to have been a “redeemer.” This is echoed elsewhere by SR. Jesus precisely followed the path of the Father in his life’s mission. This is certainly a possible interpretation of the other reports and is explicit in Woodruff’s report of JS in February 1842 (Woodruff, book of revelations, MS 23152, CHL). Laub’s report may even be interpreted (see the following phrases) to suggest that all must follow this path to fulfill their true destiny, an idea that might lead to an Adam-God-like doctrine, requiring another (possibly many?) mortal probationary period(s). The latter is clearly outside normative Mormonism but was the subject of preaching in the 1850s. (For example,

Heber C. Kimball, May 31, 1857, *Journal of Discourses*, 4:329.)

⁴ GL is quite clearly a content audit rather than a verbatim account. JS's continued emphasis on the importance of the body is reflected here as well as Laub's interpretation of the impact of the sermon in terms of deification: "that we might be exalted equal with God himself."

⁵ This is not an exact match for TB: the words are inverted.

⁶ VOT eliminates the dash.

⁷ MS1 eliminates the comma and inserts a dash.

⁸ WW attests to (a permutation of) this phrase.

⁹ "up" is an insertion in GM1.