

I LOVE HIM

For Love of Hyrum

Words & music by Nonie Sorensen, great, great granddaughter (7&1/2 min)

Seldom did the Prophet Joseph do anything of importance without first consulting Hyrum; always when in trouble he would seek out his older brother for help and advice. Hyrum's entire life reciprocated this love, and as their lives inextricably intertwined. Joseph spoke often of his love for Hyrum.

Song: I Love Him performed by Kent Sorensen, a great-great-great-grandson of Hyrum

I love him; I love him with a love more strong than death;
I love him; and he declares his love with ev'ry breath;
I love him; I'll ne'er rebuke him, nor he me;
I love him; and ever it will be.

We love him; his bearing is the likeness of a lamb;
We love him; integrity of Job describes the man;
We love him; his faith and rare humility
Befit him, a model for humanity.

Oh, I could pray with all my heart
That all men could be as he,
A shaft in the hands of God,
Through all the sorrows we've trod.

Shackled by hands of the rudest oppression;
Desolate, lonely and unkindly served;
His faithful heart would not deceive me;
He'll stand by me even if undeserved.
"I cannot leave you, Joseph",
This was his word,
The sweetest sound I've heard.

I love him: and for the care he's given to my soul,
May God reward him, and write his name on that eternal roll;
That all who follow may learn to deal with trial and strife.
And love him; and strive to live the pattern of his life.
I love him...I love him.

Hyrum, at age 30, being the oldest of the six young men called to organize the Church April 6, 1830, henceforward found his life to be one of constant change, turmoil and travel. He traveled by horse or wagon or more often walked back and forth across the wilderness--from the Eastern seaboard to the western frontier borders of