

St. Andrew's (JKP) Monthly Newsletter
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Edification: Are the "prophets of pop-culture" truly prophets? Well, most prophets may've been bearded, but I'll bet few played guitar. Yet when the hoary-bearded ZZ Top informed us that "*Every girl's crazy 'bout a sharp dressed man*" it seems they were waxing prophetic. And clearly it's not just every girl that's crazy. An ever growing mass of conservatives seem smitten with the sharp dressed, quaffed and polished presidential candidate - former Gov. Mitt Romney. And why not, he certainly has that presidential air about him. And he's accomplished; brought-to-raise by a successful, self-made father who himself started with little more than a wife and loads of drive. Elected governor of a profoundly liberal state while professing conservatism, Mitt made his own way and his own millions. Whether private or public sector he's proven himself capable and determined. He simply understands how things work; economies, corporations, political campaigns, etc. So why not rally behind a man that is not only sharp dressed, but just plain sharp? There is that one nasty detail though, that one caveat, that one messy peculiarity. He's a Mormon. But does that matter? I mean, that's his private belief, right? At least he has a belief in a deity. Doesn't that count for something in this current godless cultural quagmire? Did you know that Mormon's reject the miraculous virgin birth of Christ? They believe God came to earth as a man, had actual sexual relations with Mary and thus impregnated Mary with His offspring. Did you further know that Mormon's believe that Jesus and Lucifer (a.k.a. Satan, The Father of Lies) are actually brothers? That's right - brothers! And it seems there was a contest between these "brothers" as to which would be the redeemer of mankind. Jesus won. Whew! Good thing, huh? The Father of lies as the redeemer of man...I don't like the sound of that... Seriously though, does it matter what Romney, or any other candidate believes as long as someone beats Obama and moves the country back in the "right direction"? Besides, we Protestants aren't really into Mary anyhow, right?

"Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year". - Deuteronomy 14:22

Encourage: In Psalm 50:16-20 God catalogs the sins of the wicked-religious. Then in verse 21 He says: "*You thought I was altogether like you*". Being carnal and corrupt the wicked-religious have carnal and corrupt thoughts of God. It has always been so with the wicked-religious. There's no disputing that Mormon's are by-and-large religious people, but wickedly so. Could anything be more carnally minded and wicked regarding the incarnation of Christ than this Mormon heresy? Yes, all heresy is carnal. But this is so wickedly carnal that it is guttural. And what can be said of the one who holds this deplorable carnal conception of the person of God? He is spiritually blind, past feeling. Will he (can he) judge rightly what is best for the nation? By what standard - some carnal, corrupted understanding of God and man that leads to bizarre and wicked beliefs and practices? And regarding this idea that Christ and Lucifer are brothers; so perverted and distorted is this heresy that it is the complete overthrow of all that is true. Shall we call evil good and good evil? Shall Christ and Belial embrace as brothers, thus bringing an end to all hope? Shall He who said "*I am the Truth*" be kith and kin to the Father of Lies? And again, what can be said of the one who holds this damnable heresy to be sacred truth? Will he usher in "*righteousness [that will] exalt a nation*" or rather "*sin that is a reproach to any people*"? The washed masses may be going crazy over this sharp dressed man, but what is that to us? We follow the One who "*had no beauty that we should desire Him*". Yet by His grace we do desire Him. And having Him we have all. So there's absolutely no reason to go crazy....