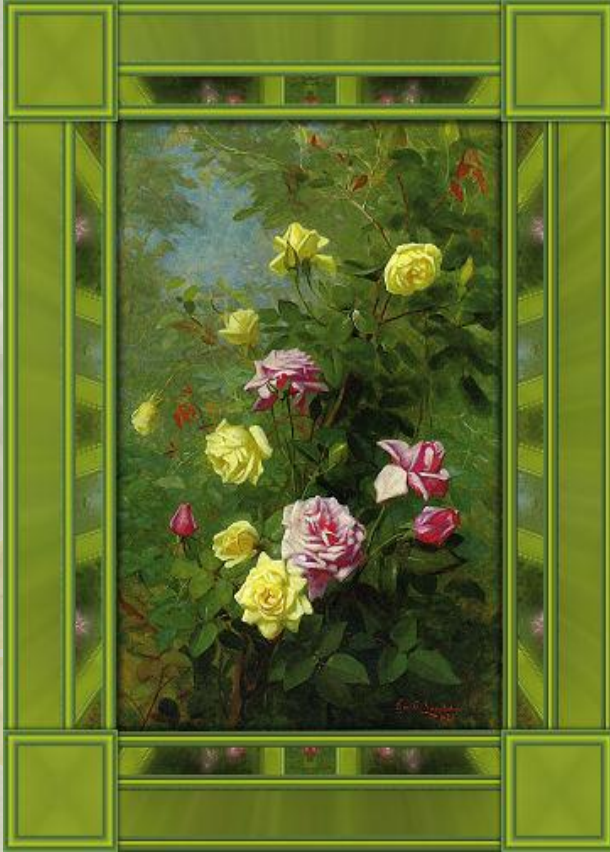


The Gospel of Jesus Christ Teaches the Reality of Our Pre-mortal Existence



"You were taught and prepared for the circumstances you would personally encounter in mortality. ... Your memory of premortal life would be kept from you to assure that it would be a valid test, but there would be guidance given to show you how to live. "

("Truth Restored," *Liahona* and *Ensign*, Nov. 2005, 78-79).



Remembering Divinity

We lived before
This knowledge is pure.
It beats in my soul
When called to endure.

My short years here
haven't been enough
for the depth of emotion
or the trials rough.

I chose this experience when
pure intelligence was mine
now I struggle
to reconnect with divine.

Because I know
that I lived before
Today is richer
My confidence more.

When life urges
forgetfulness
I can recall
The divinity bestowed
Upon us all.

I was noble and great
and so were you
Together we'll remember
and have courage renewed.
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D & C 138:55

I observed that they
were also among the
noble and great ones
who were chosen in the
beginning to be rulers in
the Church of God.

56 Even before they
were born, they, with
many others, received
their first lessons in the
world of spirits and were
prepared to come forth
in the due time of the
Lord to labor in his
vineyard for the salvation
of the souls of men.

*Julie B. Beck,
RS Gen Pres:*

"Women have
distinct assignments
given to them from
before the
foundation of the
world. ... We know
we are daughters of
God, and we know
what we are to do. ...
We believe in the
formation of eternal
families. ... when
women embrace
those roles with all
their hearts, they
are happy!"

Ensign, Nov. 2007,
110).