

A Blessing by Silas P. Smith Patriarch upon the head of Samuel Jackson, son of Benjamin Jackson and Ann Grimshaw born Manchester Lancashire England July 13 1844. Bro Samuel Jackson in the name of Jesus Christ I lay my hands upon your head and bless you with a patriarchal blessing as the Spirit may dictate.

The Lord is pleased with the integrity of thine heart and hath chosen thee of thy kindred and from thy fathers house to perform a work for the salvation of the living and the redemption of the dead, and He hath had a watch case over thee in the past and _____ thy heart for the work that it is thy path to do in the dispensation in which you live. Thou art of Joseph who was sold into Egypt through the Loins of Ephraim an heir to the Holy priesthood and entitled to all the blessings and promises made to the ____ of Abraham, the Lord will give His Angels charge concerning thee to guard and protect thee from evil from the powers of darkness and from the wrath of wicked men and enable you to overcome and remain firm in the gospel covenants your name will be handed down by your posterity and you be ____ in the Church of Christ to the latest generations The Lord will bless you abundantly with the riches of the earth by which you may achieve the wants of the needy feed the hungry and clothe the naked Wisdom shall be given unto you to officiate in the calling wherever to you have been called and the Holy Spirit be your guide you shall have power over disease and over evil spirits. Through your administrations the sick shall be healed and many shall secure health and strength and comfort. The desires of your heart in sight ____ shall be granted. You shall go forth to minister in the Temple for your _____, live in the earth to a goodly age be satisfied with your lifes labor and prepared to enter into your rest with satisfaction and joy. I seal this blessing upon your head through your faithfulness with power to come forth in the morning of the resurrection of the just to be crowned with glory and enteral lives: in the name of Jesus Christ Amen

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