

## Corresponding Section Numbers in Editions of the Doctrine and Covenants

The Book of Commandments, of which a number of partial copies were printed in 1833, was superseded by the Doctrine and Covenants. Because the numbering of comparable material in the Book of Commandments and different editions of the Doctrine and Covenants varies extensively, the following table is provided to help readers refer from the version of a canonized item cited in annotation to other published versions of that same item. This table includes revelations announced by JS—plus letters, records of visions, articles, minutes, and other items, some of which were authored by other individuals—that were published in the Book of Commandments or Doctrine and Covenants in or before 1844, the year of JS’s death. The table also includes material originating with JS that was first published in the Doctrine and Covenants after 1844. Such later-canonized material includes, for example, extracts of JS’s 20 March 1839 letter written from the jail in Liberty, Missouri. These extracts, first canonized in 1876, are currently found in sections 121 through 123 of the Latter-day Saint edition of the Doctrine and Covenants.

The 1835 and 1844 editions of the Doctrine and Covenants included a series of lectures on the subject of faith, which constituted part 1 of the volume. Only part 2, the compilation of revelations and other items, is represented in the table. Further, the table does not include materials originating with JS that were not canonized in his lifetime and that have never been canonized by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or by the Community of Christ. As only one of many examples, JS’s journal entry for 3 November 1835 contains a JS revelation concerning the Twelve. This revelation has never been canonized and therefore does not appear in the table. More information about documents not listed on the table below will be provided in printed volumes of *The Joseph Smith Papers* and on the Joseph Smith Papers website.

Some material was significantly revised after its initial publication in the canon. For instance, the revelation in chapter 28 of the Book of Commandments included twice as much material when it was republished in the Doctrine and Covenants in 1835. As another example, chapter 65 of the Book of Commandments stops abruptly before the end of the revelation because publication of the volume was disrupted; the revelation was not published in its entirety until 1835. These and other substantial changes of greater or lesser significance are not accounted for in the table, but they will be identified in the appropriate volumes of the Documents series.

The far left column of the table gives the date of the canonized item, based on careful study of original sources. The date provides a way to identify each item and situate it chronologically with other documents, but it cannot be assumed that every date corresponds to the day an item was first dictated or recorded. In some cases, an item was recorded without a date notation. It is also possible that a few items were first dictated on a date other than the date surviving manuscripts bear. We have done our best to arrive at a date or

approximate date using all available evidence, including later attempts by JS and his contemporaries to recover date, place, and circumstances.

Where surviving sources provide conflicting information about dating, editorial judgment has been exercised to select the most likely date (occasionally only an approximate month), based on the most reliable sources. In cases in which two or more items bear the same date, they have been listed in the order in which they most likely originated, and a letter of the alphabet has been appended, providing each item a unique editorial title (for example, May 1829–A or May 1829–B). Information on dating issues will accompany publication of these items in the Documents series.

The remaining five columns on the table provide the number of the chapter (in the case of the Book of Commandments) or section (in the case of editions of the Doctrine and Covenants) in which the item was published in one or more of five different canonical editions, the first three of which were initiated by JS. Full bibliographic information about these five editions is given in the list of works cited. See also the Scriptural References section in the introduction to Works Cited for more information about the origins of the Doctrine and Covenants and other Mormon scriptures.

### Key to column titles

1833: Book of Commandments

1835: Doctrine and Covenants, 1835 edition, part 2

1844: Doctrine and Covenants, 1844 edition, part 2<sup>1</sup>

1981: Doctrine and Covenants, 1981 edition, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints<sup>2</sup>

2004: Doctrine and Covenants, 2004 edition, Community of Christ<sup>3</sup>

DATE	JS-ERA CANON				
	1833	1835	1844	1981	2004
21 Sept. 1823				2 <sup>4</sup>	
July 1828	2	30	30	3	2
Feb. 1829	3	31	31	4	4
Mar. 1829	4	32	32	5	5
Apr. 1829–A	5	8	8	6	6

1. The 1844 edition of the Doctrine and Covenants included one item written after the death of JS (section 111). That item is not included in this table.

2. The 1981 Latter-day Saint edition of the Doctrine and Covenants includes some items written after the death of JS. Those items are not included in this table. Any item for which information appears only in the “1981” column and in the “Date” column is a later-canonized JS item, as discussed in the first paragraph of the preceding introduction.

3. The 2004 Community of Christ edition of the Doctrine and Covenants includes two extracts from JS’s Bible revision (sections 22 and 36) and items written after the death of JS. Neither the extracts nor the later items are included in this table.

4. This section, an extract from the history JS initiated in 1838, is here dated by the date of the event described in the section rather than the date of the document’s creation.

JS-ERA CANON					
DATE	1833	1835	1844	1981	2004
ca. Apr. 1829	9	36	36	10	3
Apr. 1829-B	7	34	34	8	8
Apr. 1829-C	6	33	33	7	7
Apr. 1829-D	8	35	35	9	9
15 May 1829				13 <sup>5</sup>	
May 1829-A	10	37	37	11	10
May 1829-B	11	38	38	12	11
June 1829-A	12	39	39	14	12
June 1829-B	15	43	43	18	16
June 1829-C	13	40	40	15	13
June 1829-D	14	41	41	16	14
June 1829-E		42	42	17	15
Mar. 1830	16	44	44	19	18
6 Apr. 1830	22	46	46	21	19
Apr. 1830-A	17	45:1	45:1	23:1-2	21:1
Apr. 1830-B	18	45:2	45:2	23:3	21:2
Apr. 1830-C	19	45:3	45:3	23:4	21:3
Apr. 1830-D	20	45:4	45:4	23:5	21:4
Apr. 1830-E	21	45:5	45:5	23:6-7	21:5
10 Apr. 1830	24	2	2	20	17
16 Apr. 1830	23	47	47	22	20
July 1830-A	25	9	9	24	23
July 1830-B	27	49	49	26	25
July 1830-C	26	48	48	25	24
ca. Aug. 1830	28	50	50	27	26
Sept. 1830-A	29	10	10	29	28
Sept. 1830-B	30	51	51	28	27
Sept. 1830-C	31	52:1	52:1	30:1-4	29:1
Sept. 1830-D	32	52:2	52:2	30:5-8	29:2
Sept. 1830-E	33	52:3	52:3	30:9-11	29:3
Sept. 1830-F	34	53	53	31	30
Oct. 1830-A		54	54	32	31
Oct. 1830-B	35	55	55	33	32
4 Nov. 1830	36	56	56	34	33
ca. Dec. 1830		73	74	74	74

5. This section, an extract from the history JS initiated in 1838, is here dated by the date of the event described in the section rather than the date of the document's creation.

## CORRESPONDING SECTION NUMBERS

JS-ERA CANON					
DATE	1833	1835	1844	1981	2004
7 Dec. 1830	37	11	11	35	34
9 Dec. 1830	38	57	57	36	35
30 Dec. 1830	39	58	58	37	37
2 Jan. 1831	40	12	12	38	38
5 Jan. 1831	41	59	59	39	39
6 Jan. 1831	42	60	60	40	40
4 Feb. 1831	43	61	61	41	41
9 Feb. 1831 <sup>6</sup>	44	13:1-19	13:1-19	42:1-73	42:1-19
Feb. 1831-A	45	14	14	43	43
Feb. 1831-B	46	62	62	44	44
23 Feb. 1831	47	13:21-23, 20	13:21-23, 20	42:78-93, 74-77	42:21-23, 20
ca. 7 Mar. 1831	48	15	15	45	45
ca. 8 Mar. 1831-A	49	16	16	46	46
ca. 8 Mar. 1831-B	50	63	63	47	47
10 Mar. 1831	51	64	64	48	48
7 May 1831	52	65	65	49	49
9 May 1831	53	17	17	50	50
20 May 1831		23	23	51	51
6 June 1831	54	66	66	52	52
8 June 1831	55	66 <sup>7</sup>	67	53	53
10 June 1831	56	67	68	54	54
14 June 1831	57	68	69	55	55
15 June 1831	58	69	70	56	56
20 July 1831		27	27	57	57
1 Aug. 1831	59	18	18	58	58
7 Aug. 1831	60	19	19	59	59
8 Aug. 1831	61	70	71	60	60
12 Aug. 1831	62	71	72	61	61
13 Aug. 1831	63	72	73	62	62
30 Aug. 1831	64	20	20	63	63
11 Sept. 1831	65	21	21	64	64
29 Oct. 1831		74	75	66	66
30 Oct. 1831		24	24	65	65
1 Nov. 1831-A		22	22	68	68

6. See also the following entry for 23 Feb. 1831.

7. The second of two sections numbered 66. Numbering remains one off for subsequent sections within the 1835 edition.

JS-ERA CANON					
DATE	1833	1835	1844	1981	2004
1 Nov. 1831–B	1	1	1	1	1
2 Nov. 1831		25	25	67	67
3 Nov. 1831		100	108	133	108
11 Nov. 1831–A		28	28	69	69
11 Nov. 1831–B <sup>8</sup>		3 (partial <sup>9</sup> )	3 (partial <sup>10</sup> )	107 (partial <sup>11</sup> )	104 (partial <sup>12</sup> )
12 Nov. 1831		26	26	70	70
1 Dec. 1831		90	91	71	71
4 Dec. 1831		89	90	72	72
10 Jan. 1832		29	29	73	73
25 Jan. 1832		87	88	75	75
16 Feb. 1832		91	92	76	76
ca. Mar. 1832				77	
1 Mar. 1832		75	76	78	77
7 Mar. 1832		77	78	80	79
12 Mar. 1832		76	77	79	78
15 Mar. 1832		79	80	81	80
26 Apr. 1832		86	87	82	81
30 Apr. 1832		88	89	83	82
29 Aug. 1832		78	79	99	96
22 and 23 Sept. 1832		4	4	84	83
27 Nov. 1832				85	
6 Dec. 1832		6	6	86	84
25 Dec. 1832				87	
27 and 28 Dec. 1832 and 3 Jan. 1833		7	7	88	85
27 Feb. 1833		80	81	89	86
8 Mar. 1833		84	85	90	87
9 Mar. 1833		92	93	91	88
15 Mar. 1833		93	94	92	89
6 May 1833		82	83	93	90
1 June 1833		95	96	95	92
4 June 1833		96	97	96	93
2 Aug. 1833–A		81	82	97	94

8. See also the following entry for ca. Apr. 1835.

9. Verses 31–33, 35–42, 44.

10. Verses 31–33, 35–42, 44.

11. Verses 59–69, 71–72, 74–75, 78–87, 89, 91–92, 99–100.

12. Verses 31–33, 35–42, 44.

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JS-ERA CANON					
DATE	1833	1835	1844	1981	2004
2 Aug. 1833–B		83	84	94	91
6 Aug. 1833		85	86	98	95
12 Oct. 1833		94	95	100	97
16 and 17 Dec. 1833		97	98	101	98
17 Feb. 1834		5	5	102	99
24 Feb. 1834			101	103	100
23 Apr. 1834		98	99	104	101
22 June 1834			102	105	102
25 Nov. 1834		99	100	106	103
ca. Apr. 1835 <sup>13</sup>		3	3	107	104
ca. Aug. 1835 ("Marriage")		101	109		111
ca. Aug. 1835 ("Of Governments and Laws in General")		102	110	134	112
26 Dec. 1835				108	
21 Jan. 1836				137	
27 Mar. 1836				109	
3 Apr. 1836				110	
6 Aug. 1836				111	
23 July 1837			104	112	105
Mar. 1838				113	
11 Apr. 1838				114	
26 Apr. 1838				115	
19 May 1838				116	
8 July 1838–A				118	
8 July 1838–C <sup>14</sup>			107	119	106
8 July 1838–D				120	
8 July 1838–E				117	
20 Mar. 1839				121–123	
19 Jan. 1841			[103]	124	107 <sup>15</sup>
Mar. 1841				125	
9 July 1841				126	

13. See also the preceding entry for 11 Nov. 1831–B.

14. This table skips from 8 July 1838–A to 8 July 1838–C because the revelation not shown here, 8 July 1838–B, has never been canonized.

15. The 2004 Community of Christ edition provides the following note regarding this section: "Placed in the Appendix by action of the 1970 World Conference: the Appendix was subsequently removed by the 1990 World Conference."

JS-ERA CANON					
DATE	1833	1835	1844	1981	2004
1 Sept. 1842			105	127	109 <sup>16</sup>
7 Sept. 1842			106	128	110 <sup>17</sup>
9 Feb. 1843				129	
2 Apr. 1843				130	
16–17 May 1843				131	
12 July 1843				132	

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