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Outline – Mike Baird**

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**Neither Cold nor Hot**

- Revelation 3:15-16  
"I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.  
So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth."
- Lukewarm water lacks the cold freshness for quenching the thirst and the healing elements for the physically ill and afflicted found in hot water. Water that is lukewarm is good only to be "spewed out of the mouth"
- Lukewarm water is a metaphor for members who lack gospel zeal and complete faithfulness. Such will God reject.

**Not Meet that I should command in all things**

- D&C 58:26-29  
" For behold, it is not meet that I should command in all things; for he that is compelled in all things, the same is a slothful and not a wise servant; wherefore he receiveth no reward.  
Verily I say, men should be anxiously engaged in a good cause, and do many things of their own free will, and bring to pass much righteousness;  
For the power is in them, wherein they are agents unto themselves. And inasmuch as men do good they shall in nowise lose their reward.  
But he that doeth not anything until he is commanded, and receiveth a commandment with doubtful heart, and keepeth it with slothfulness, the same is damned."
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- Steven D Dalton  
"I would much rather have to use reins than spurs"