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section 2.

1 the rise of the church of christ in these last days, be-ing one thousand eight hundred and thirty years since the coming of our lord and savior jesus christ in the flesh, it be-ing regularly organized and established a-greeable to the laws of our country, by the will and commandments of god in the fourth month, and on the sixth day of the monTH which is called april: which commAndments were given to joseph smith, junior, who was called of god, and ordained an apostle of jesus christ, to be the first elder of this church; and to oliver cowdery, who was also called of god, to be an apostle of jesus christ, to be the second elder of this church, and ordained under his hand: and this according to the grace of our lord and savior jesus christ, to whom be all glory both now and forever. a-men.

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With differences in red (ignoring small capitals, italics, and hyphenation for word wrapping).

(D&C 20:1-4)

1 The rise of the Church of Christ in these last days, **be**ing one thousand eight hundred and thirty years since the coming of our Lord and Savior **J**esus **C**hrist in the flesh, it **be**ing regularly organized and established **a**greeable to the laws of our country, by the will and commandments of **G**od, in the fourth month, and on the sixth day of the month which is called **A**pril—

2 Which commandments were given to **J**oseph **S**mith, **J**un., who was called of **G**od, and ordained an apostle of **J**esus **C**hrist, to be the first elder of this church;

3 And to **O**liver **C**owdery, who was also called of **G**od, an apostle of **J**esus **C**hrist, to be the second elder of this church, and ordained under his hand;

4 And this according to the grace of our **L**ord and **S**avior **J**esus **C**hrist, to whom be all glory, **A**men.