

have the faith and courage to defend the principles of peace and of right—'the faith once delivered to the saints.'"

—*The Peacemaker.*

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