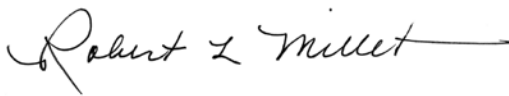


# An Open Canon

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Surely nothing is more set, fixed, and established than the fact that the canon of scripture is open, flexible, and expanding. Truly, we believe that God “will yet reveal many great and important things pertaining to the Kingdom of God” (Articles of Faith 1:9). We have not received the final word. There is much, much more to come, as the scriptures of the Restoration attest. Elder Neal A. Maxwell once wrote, “Today we carry convenient quadruple combinations of the scriptures, but one day, since more scriptures are coming, we may need to pull little red wagons brim with books.”<sup>1</sup>

“There are those who would assume that with the printing and binding of these sacred records, that would be the ‘end of the prophets,’” President Spencer W. Kimball declared. “But again we testify to the world that revelation continues and that the vaults and files of the Church contain these revelations which come month to month and day to day.”<sup>2</sup> Our God speaks. He will not be silenced. He will not fail to reveal his mind and will to his children as they continue to importune him for revelation, both individually and institutionally. That righteousness and truth may continue to rain down from heaven and that we may treasure up the holy word is my earnest prayer.



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