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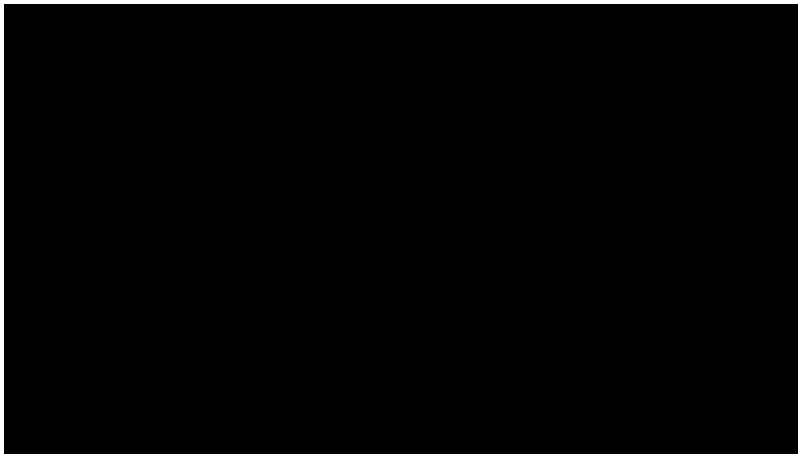
This is Scripture Roundtable 31 from The Interpreter Foundation, in which we discuss Doctrine & Covenants Gospel Doctrine Lesson #27, "[They Must Needs Be Chastened and Tried, Even as Abraham](#)," focusing on D&C 101, 103, and 105, bringing in various insights to help us better understand the scriptures. These roundtables will generally follow the 2013 Gospel Doctrine schedule of scriptures, a few weeks ahead of time.

Some of the interesting discussion in this roundtable includes:

- The trails faced by the early Latter-day Saints in Jackson County were a preparation for what was to come in terms of the trials and suffering.
- Much good came from Zion's Camp. Rather than being a failure, it was a training ground for future church leaders.
- The Lord chastens those he loves, because he's trying to educate them. Though we seldom like it, we tend to learn more from difficulties than from ease. We gain strength not by lifting quarter-pound weights once or twice, but by working against real resistance.
- The Lord reassured his Saints that, although they were scattered, all flesh is in his hand and Zion will eventually be redeemed.
- The Saints lost Zion through their own failings, but their ultimate victory is assured.

Panelists for this roundtable include [Martin Tanner](#), [Craig Foster](#), and [Daniel Peterson](#).

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