This Is a Promised Land (from a scientists) gestition (D) Pl. View 1st wol. Sac. Mtg 8 Feb 1976 most of us have seen the painting of Jesus wherein he stands as tall as the slender united nations Building on which he gently knocks but is tall as the winted nations on which he gently that have tall seen the painting of christ as that the winter on which he gently that have benochs asking for admittance. The founders of that this institution held that whistory and society shape society shape society the destiny of the standard or sport our told and someway affect mankind in history and society shape society that the affect mankind in fature we see the current someway. I there is the current of the society dictators of the wonder the current gastritis of that dictators of No wonder the current gastritis of that worldy body of that worldy where greedy imprateful beggars, and tips-pan generals.

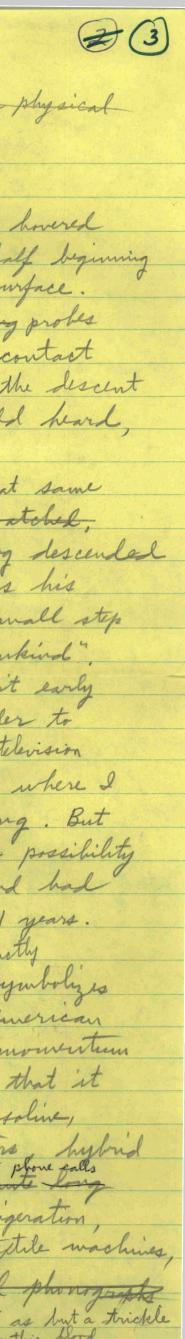
generals. Input and howe that block love we to that hear withe and complain shout plat and shout that where the creator of this world is anotherna be board.

I suppose their there are certain satisfactions. worldly body greedy, myrateful, beggars in the concept that " I am the sole captain of my soul is furnly rooted in the minds of many today. Surely, independence, confishdence, and reliance are fine qualities for anyone but they must be tempered by thing knowledge; of the God's existence and the fact that He has a plan for this world.

our country, figures in that plan. The The prophete have told us so but I particularly with regard from fournal of Discourses, Vol XX) 201 This brief talk
presentation can only brangle a Thought or two singles this connection somerning to this constitution in his house and aside, Hyrum andyds of Liberalism, Coarstry whisin, & 0 \$C 101:17:54 this Bicenterial years. 98:5,6 Consider the founding father Thomas Jefferson to (A) or pages In this brief talk I have been asked to give a thought or two about what a scientist might see in this connection A Consider the founding father Thomas Jefferson. to A page 2

10 rementes I know that this is a "Promised Land" beganse of 122 the scriptures but I also know it because of its formelers. Consider Thowas Deferson @a leader so of such beauth and vision, enth knowledge, faith, forsight, enthusiason, know that this gris active unterests included higher mathematics, mechanics, literature, geology, botany, paleontology, architecture, geography, Joology, medicine , surgery, aerovanties, "agriculture and that he corresponded with the intellects of the day on these subjects? Besides that he had a good knowledge of Latin Greek, French, Spanish and Station and as a youth barned Gaelic in order to translate Ossian (Irish hero of the 3rd century). The played excellent violin, sang well, and was a good dancer. add to that statesman, philosopher (he was president of the american Philisophical Society for many years) the architect of authoring the Declaration of Independence and att forty years of public service to the fledgling nation and you have a miracle. & The survey of thomas Jefferson who did not suroke, nor gamble, and whose mind and tongue were pure. Defferson's vision was of a limited of its people in government that by its problem would mileash order to unleash their creative ability. Let me repeat: to provide maximum feedom in order to unleash their creative ability. His faith was centered in private stewardship. (B) The founding fathers acknowledged the fistence and power of Bod. In his 1st wangeral address, Washington declared: "It would be peculiarly improper to omit in this first official act, my fervent supplications to that alwighty being who rules over the universe, who presides in the councils of nations and whose providential and can supply every human defect ... Earlier, in 1774 Jefferson wrote; " The God who gave us life, gave us liberty at the same time: The hand of force may destroy but cannot disjoin them

to B -> The last line of the Declaration of Independence reads: " and for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortumes and our sacred honor. To to page 3. (8) ly to c



what did this vision mean for me, a physical Did this vision come to pass? On July 20, 1969 Neil a. Dunstrong hovered the "Eagle" for about a minute and a half beginning at a height of 500 feet above the luvar surface. at the end of that time the 68 mich long probes Anguing from Englis fortparts indicated contact with the ground, one second later the descent rocket engine was shut down and they would heard, "The Engle has landed!" day (as we on earth recken) I watched, as did most of you, and armstrong descended a short ladder to the luvar soil and, as his fort touched, proclaimed " That's one small step for a man, one grant leap for mankind" on that day, I had excused myself a bit early from a stake leadership meeting in order to observe this levent on Jens Jonsson's television set. I hope this does not presage where I will be at the Lord's second coming. But. I had read as a nine year old form both the possibility of man landing on the moon and had looked forward to this event for 41 years. Sefferson's idea of the This landing on the moon, symbolizes beforeson's incleased creative ability of the american people. It started slowly, gathered momentum and now comes in such a flood that it almost escapes attention, Polyethylene high octains gasoline, penicillin, Boeing 747s, pocket calculators hybrid com, five gallon cows, 44 per munte long distance telephones, central heating, refrigeration, electric light, harvesting machines, textile machines, and printing at a mile a minute, y and phonographs to mention a few. To (4) I list as but a trickle in this flord. to mention a few. to 4

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I have emphasized invention as creative endeavor because of my acquaintance with it. nevertheless, creative endeavor in all fields has truly been unleasted as a special blessing to arvericans, and, indeed, to all the world.

it for rightens purposes? product will we use will we accept it as the sole handings of society history, society, and man as many intellects of this day would do? and was is sindent as mentioned at the beginning this was the premise adopted by the founders of the U.A. The founders of the rinted nations would view it this way. Or, would we see it accept it with the faith in God vision of the Founding Fathers of the rinted states of america who saw this will quicking the destinies of men.

Invention and other creative evolences can be for mais good or for his destruction.

I place my faith for the future in institutions their wise use and consequently four future in institutions where the cleaders genuinely believe what we print on the money: " In God We Joust",

In the name of J. C.