



Failed Prophecies of Joseph Smith:

1. The Coming of the Lord by 1891 (*History of the Church*, Vol. 2, page 182): **Didn't happen.**
2. In a “Thus saith the Lord” declaration, David W. Patten to go on a mission in Spring 1839 (Doctrine & Covenants 114:1). **Didn't happen. David Patten died in October 1838.**
3. The United States Government to be overthrown in a few years if alleged wrongs were not redressed as of May 6, 1844 (*History of the Church*, Vol. 5, page 394). **No redress granted. U.S. Government still stands.**
4. Congress would be broken up as a government (leaving not even a “grease spot”) unless protection was granted (*History of the Church*, vol. 6, p. 116). **His petition was not heard or granted. Congress still stands.**
5. Finding Treasure in Salem, Massachusetts, and Salem would be given to the Mormons (*History of the Church* 2:465-466). **No treasure was ever discovered, nor did Salem ever fall into the hands of the Mormons.**
6. Pestilence, Hail, Famine, and Earthquake to destroy the wicked in the United States in a few years (*History of the Church*, Vol. 1, pp. 315-316). **Such widespread destruction of the wicked of that generation never occurred.**
7. Temple to be built in Zion, Missouri and dedicated by Joseph Smith (Doctrine & Covenants Section 84). **A temple was never built in Missouri in his lifetime or within the generation of his contemporaries.**

“And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him” (Deuteronomy 18:21-22).