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THE PRISION HOUSE—3 RECORDED 'RELEASES'

AT JESUS DEATH AND RESURRECTION

Genesis 7:64 And as many of the spirits as were in prison came forth and stood on the right hand of God.

And the remainder were reserved in chains of darkness until the judgment of the great day.

WHEN MILLENIUM BEGINS

85:27d they who shall descend with him first, and they who are on the earth, and in their graves, who are first caught up to meet him; and all this by the voice of the sounding of the trump of the angel of God.

85:28a And after this, another angel shall sound, which is the second trump; and then cometh the redemption of those who are Christ's at his coming;

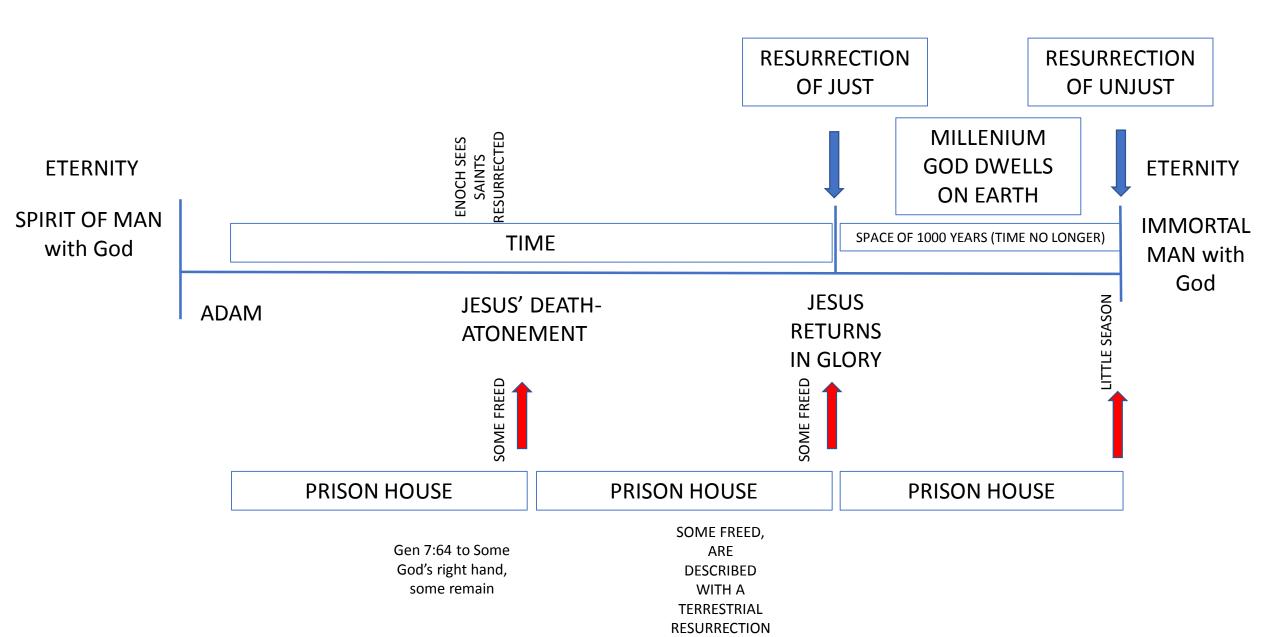
85:28b who have received their part in that prison which is prepared for them, that they might receive the gospel, and be judged according to men in the flesh.

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AT END OF MILLENIUM

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found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.



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20:2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

20:3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled; and after that he must be loosed a little season.

20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them; and <u>I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshiped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands: and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.</u>

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20:6 <u>Blessed and holy are they who have part in the first resurrection;</u> on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of <u>God and of Christ</u>, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

20:7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,

20:8 And <u>shall go out to deceive the nations</u> which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle; the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

20:9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city; and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever.

20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

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Revelation 20—Who are These called elsewhere?

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MOSIAH 8	DC 76
ABINADI'S DESCRIPTION: "All who have kept commandments"	DESCRIPTION: JS calls them 'Celestial' because of the amount of Light and Truth they have of God.
40 And who shall be his seed?41 Behold, I say unto you, that whosoever has heard the words of	76:5a concerning them who come forth in the resurrection of the just:
the prophets 42 all those who have hearkened unto their words, and believed that the Lord would redeem his people, and have looked forward	76:5b who received the testimony of Jesus, and believed on his name, and were baptizedthat by <u>keeping the commandments</u> , they might be washed and cleansed from all their sins,
to that day for a remission of their sins;	76:5c and receive the Holy Spirit
	76:5g who have received of his fullness, and of his glory,
 43 I say unto you, that these are his seed, or they are heirs of the kingdom of God: 55 And there cometh a resurrection, even a first resurrection 	76:5k these are they whom he shall bring with him, when he shall come in the clouds of heaven, to reign on the earth over his people;
56 And now, the resurrection of all the prophets, and all those that have believed in their words, or all those that have kept the commandments of God, shall come forth in the first resurrection; therefore, they are the first resurrection.	 76:5I these are they who shall have part in the first resurrection; 76:5m these are they who shall come forth in the resurrection of the just; 76:5n these are they who are come unto Mount Zion
57 They are raised to dwell with God who has redeemed them: thus they have eternal life through Christ, who has broken the bands of death.	 76:5q these are they who are just men made perfect through Jesus 76:5r these are they whose bodies are celestial

Revelation 20 compared to these...

Hebrews 11:35

...Women received their dead raised to life again; and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; **that they might obtain the first resurrection**;

Revelation 2:11

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;

He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

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Mosiah 8: 58 And these are those who have part in the first resurrection;	76:6a And again, we saw the terrestrial world
and these are they that have died before Christ came,	76:6c Behold, these are they who died without law;
in their ignorance, not having salvation declared unto them.	and also they who are the spirits of men kept in prison, whom the Son visited, and preached the gospel unto them, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh , who received not the testimony of Jesus in the flesh, but afterwards received it;
59 And thus the Lord bringeth about the restoration of these; and they have a part in the first resurrection, or have eternal life, being redeemed by the Lord.	
8:60 And little children also have eternal life.	76:6d these are they who are honorable men of the earth, who were blinded by the craftiness of men:

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All Who Have Rebelled against God, knew to keep commandments but did not.	
61 But behold, and fear, and tremble before God; for ye ought to tremble: for the Lord <u>redeemeth none such that</u> rebel against him, and die in their sins;	76:7a And again, we saw the glory of the telestial,
62 Yea, even all those that have perished in their sins ever	76:7b these are they who received not the gospel of Christ, neither the testimony of Jesus;
since the world began, <u>that have willfully rebelled against</u> <u>God, that have known the commandments of God</u> , and would not keep them; these are they that have <u>no part in</u>	76:7d these are they who are thrust down to hell;
the first resurrection.	76:7e these are they who shall not be redeemed from the
	Devil, <u>until the last resurrection</u> , until the Lord, even Christ the Lamb, shall have finished his work;
	76:7f for they shall be heirs of salvation.

MOSIAH 8	DC 76
ABINADI'S DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION: JS Calls these 'Perdition' overcome by Satan.
Those for whom it is as If No Redemption Made, overcome by the Devil	
8:77 But remember, that he that persists in his own carnal nature,	76:3m And we saw a vision of the sufferings of those with whom he made
and goes on in the ways of sin and rebellion against God,	war and overcame,
remaineth in his fallen state,	76:4a Thus saith the Lord, concerning all those who know my power, and have been made partakers thereof, and suffered themselves, through the
and the devil hath all power over him.	power of the Devil, to be overcome, and to deny the truth, and defy my
78 Therefore he is as though there was no redemption made;	power; 76:4b they are they who are the sons of perdition, of whom I say it had been better for them never to have been born;
being an enemy to God; and also is the devil an enemy to God	76:4c for they are vessels of wrath, doomed to suffer the wrath of God,
84-87 If they be good, to the resurrection of endless life and happiness, and if they be evil, to the resurrection of endless	with the Devil and his angels, in eternity, concerning whom I have said there is no forgiveness in this world nor in the world to come;
damnation; Being delivered up to the devil, who has subjected them, which is damnation; Having gone according to their own carnal wills and desires; having never called upon the Lord while	76:4d having denied the Holy Spirit, after having received it,
the arms of mercy were extended towards them; For the arms of mercy were extended towards them, and they would not; they being warned of their iniquities, and yet they would not depart from them;	76:4e these are they who shall go away into the lake of fire and brimstone, with the Devil and his angels, <u>and the only ones on whom the second</u> <u>death shall have any power;</u> yea, verily, the only ones who shall not be redeemed in the due time of the Lord, after the sufferings of his
8:88 And they were commanded to repent, and yet they would not repent.	wrath; for all the rest shall be brought forth by the resurrection of the dead, through the triumph and the glory of the Lamb, who was slain, who was in the bosom of the Father before the worlds were made.

Notice what DC 85 Shares

85:4b And the <u>resurrection from the dead</u> is the redemption of the soul; and the redemption of the soul is through him who quickeneth all things, in whose bosom it is decreed, that the poor and the meek of the earth shall inherit it.

85:4c Therefore, it must needs be sanctified from all unrighteousness, that it may be prepared for the celestial glory; for after it hath filled the measure of its creation, it shall be crowned with glory, even with the presence of God the Father;

85:4d that bodies who are of the celestial kingdom may possess it for ever and ever; for, for this intent was it made and created; and for this intent are they sanctified.

85:5a And they who are not sanctified through the law which I have given unto you, even the law of Christ, must inherit another kingdom, even that of a terrestrial kingdom, or that of a telestial kingdom.

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85:5b For he who is not able to abide the law of a celestial kingdom, can not abide a celestial glory; and he who can not abide the law of a terrestrial kingdom, can not abide a terrestrial glory; he who can not abide the law of a telestial kingdom, cannot abide a telestial glory: therefore, he is not meet for a kingdom of glory.

85:5c Therefore, he must abide a kingdom which is not a kingdom of glory.

85:6a And again, verily I say unto you, The earth abideth the law of a celestial kingdom, for it filleth the measure of its creation, and transgresseth not the law.

85:6b Wherefore, it shall be sanctified; yea, notwithstanding it shall die, it shall be quickened again, and shall abide the power by which it is quickened, and the righteous shall inherit it:

85:6c for, notwithstanding they die, they also shall rise again a spiritual body: they who are of a celestial spirit shall receive the same body, which was a natural body: even ye shall receive your bodies, and your glory shall be that glory by which your bodies are quickened.

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85:6d Ye who are quickened by a portion of the celestial glory, shall then receive of the same, even a fullness;

85:6e and they who are quickened by a portion of the terrestrial glory, shall then receive of the same, even a fullness:

85:6f and also they who are quickened by a portion of the telestial glory, shall then receive of the same, even a fullness:

85:6g and they who remain shall also be quickened; nevertheless, they shall return again to their own place, to enjoy that which they are willing to receive, because they were not willing to enjoy that which they are villing to receive.

Is there conflict? No. What is the FINAL state?

Alma 19:104 But there is a law given and a punishment affixed, and repentance granted;

which repentance, **mercy** claimeth:

otherwise, **justic**e claimeth the creature, and executeth the law, and the law inflicteth the punishment;

if not so, the works of justice would be destroyed,

and God would cease to be God.

<u>Alma 19:106</u>

And <u>thus they are restored into his presence</u>; to be judged according to their works; according to the law and **justic**e; for behold, **justic**e **exerciseth all his demands**, and also **mercy claimeth all which is her own**; and thus, <u>none but the truly penitent are saved</u>.

<u>What is Restored?</u> One has either Mercy restored or Justice restored.

<u>Alma 16:216</u>

This being the intent of this last sacrifice,

to bring about the bowels of mercy,

which overpowereth justice

and bringeth about means unto men that they may have faith unto repentance

<u>What is Restored?</u> One has either Mercy restored or Justice restored.

<u>Alma 16:217</u>

And thus mercy can satisfy the demands of justice,

and encircles them in the arms of safety,

while <u>he that exercises **no faith** unto repentance</u>, is <u>exposed</u> to the **whole law of the demands of justic**e;

therefore,

only unto him that has faith unto repentance,

is brought about the great and eternal plan of redemption.

<u>What is Restored?</u> One has either Mercy restored or Justice restored.

<u>Alma 19:79</u>

Yea, ye shall have <u>mercy restored</u> unto you again; ye shall have <u>justice restored</u> unto you again; ye shall have a <u>righteous judgment restored</u> unto you again;

God....'ceasing' to be God(?).

<u>Alma 19:107</u>

What, do ye suppose that mercy can rob justice?

I say unto you, Nay; not one whit.

If so, God would cease to be God

Saved to what?

Revelation 3:12

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall **go no more out**;

and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, this is New Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God;

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<u>Alma 15:68</u>

And now may God grant unto these my brethren,

that they may **sit down in the kingdom of God**;

yea, and also all those who are the fruit of their labors

that they may go no more out,

but that they may praise him for ever.

<u>Alma 16:236</u>

Yea, and he has also said,

that the righteous shall sit down in his kingdom, to go no more out;

but their garments should be made white,

through the blood of the Lamb.

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Yea, we see that whosoever will lay hold upon the word of God

which is quick and powerful, which shall divide asunder all the cunning, and the snares, and the wiles of the devil,

and lead the man of Christ in a strait and narrow course across that everlasting gulf of misery which is prepared to engulf the wicked,

and land their souls, yea, their immortal souls, at the right hand of God, in the kingdom of heaven,

to sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and with Jacob, and with all our holy fathers,

to **go no more out**.

The Partial Change....to full change of the 3 Nephites

<u>3 Nephi 13:53</u>

And in this state they were to remain

until the judgment day of Christ;

and at that day they were to receive a greater change,

and to be received into the kingdom of the Father

to go no more out,

but to dwell with God eternally in the heavens.

<u>Kingdom of Heaven,</u> <u>Kingdom of God,</u> <u>Kingdom of the Father..</u>

Same place all prophets rest is where the scriptures lead to.

Difference is having broken heart about our sin, our condition.

...That is all we can do.

The Ultimate Message Has to Be this...

Helaman 5:84

And this to the intent that

whosoever will believe, might be saved,

and that whosoever will not believe, <u>a righteous judgment might</u> <u>come upon them:</u>

and also if they are condemned,

they bring upon themselves their own condemnation.

The Ultimate Message Has to Be this...

<u>Alma 9:27</u>

That he is just in all his works,

and that he is merciful unto the children of men,

and that he has all power to save every man

that believeth on his name,

and bringeth forth fruit meet for repentance.

The Ultimate Message Has to Be this...

Either He has the power to Save

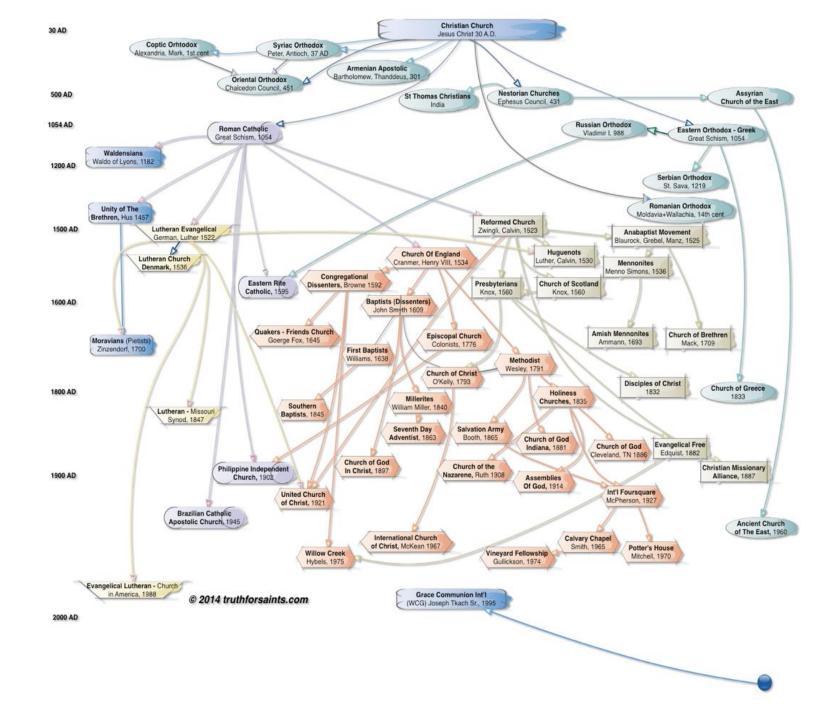
<u>or He does not.</u>

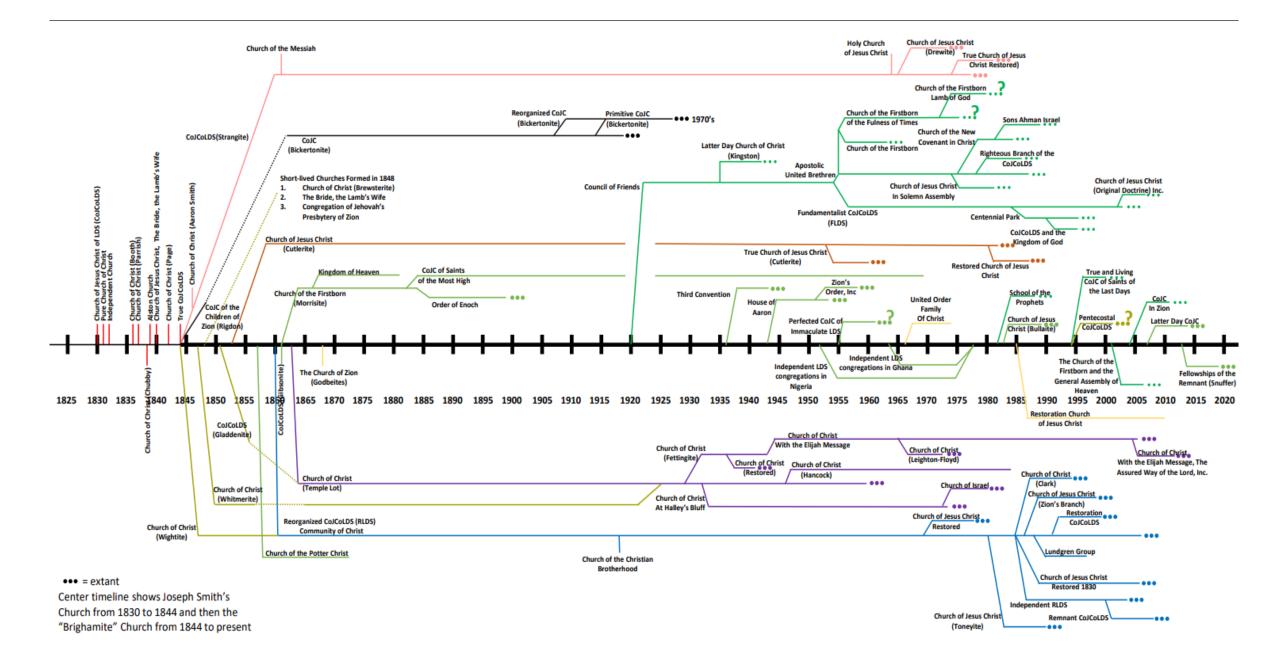
<u>What Gospel Message have We the Restoration</u> <u>Chosen?</u>

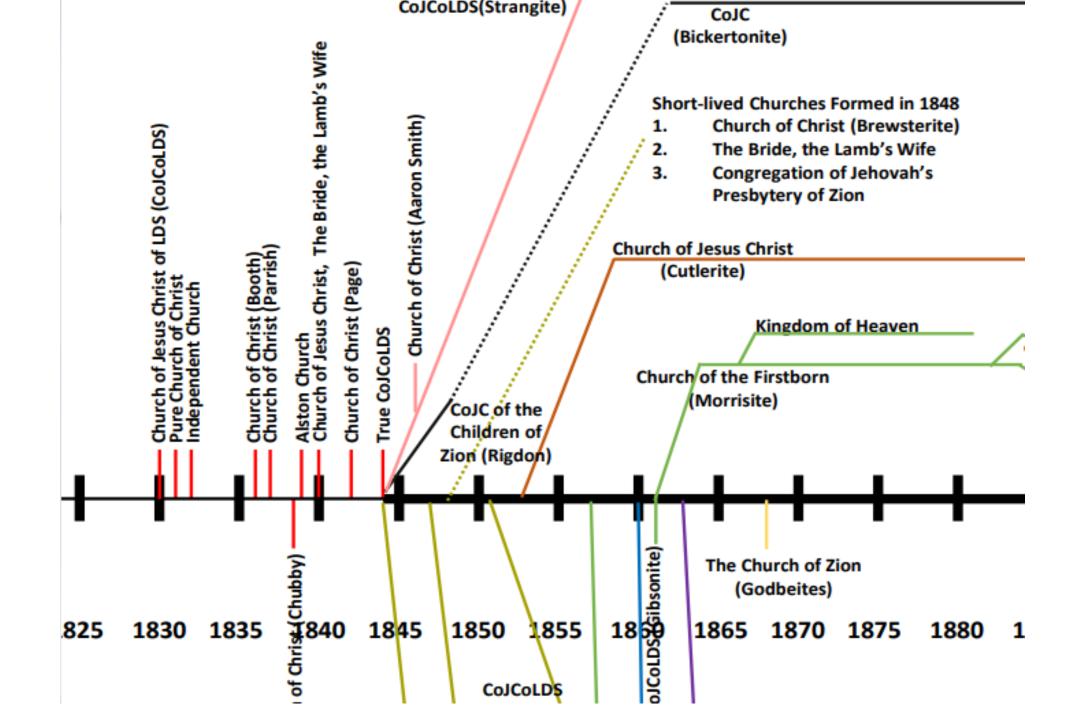
But what has been our message, our 'brand'?

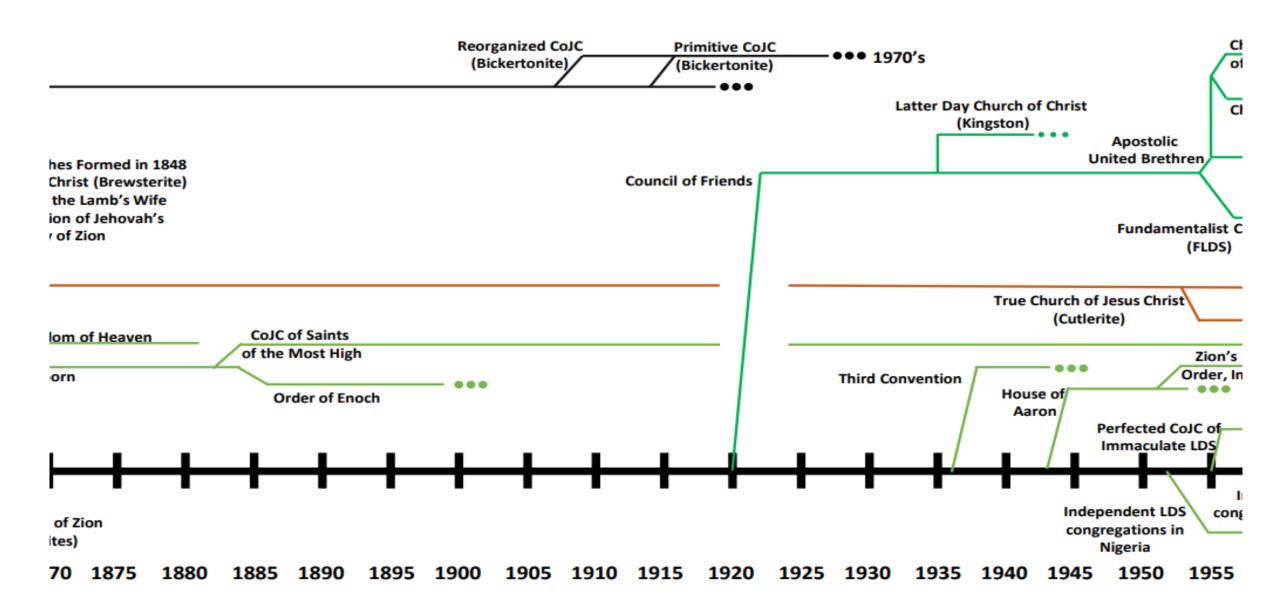
Unspoken doctrine of being 'right'

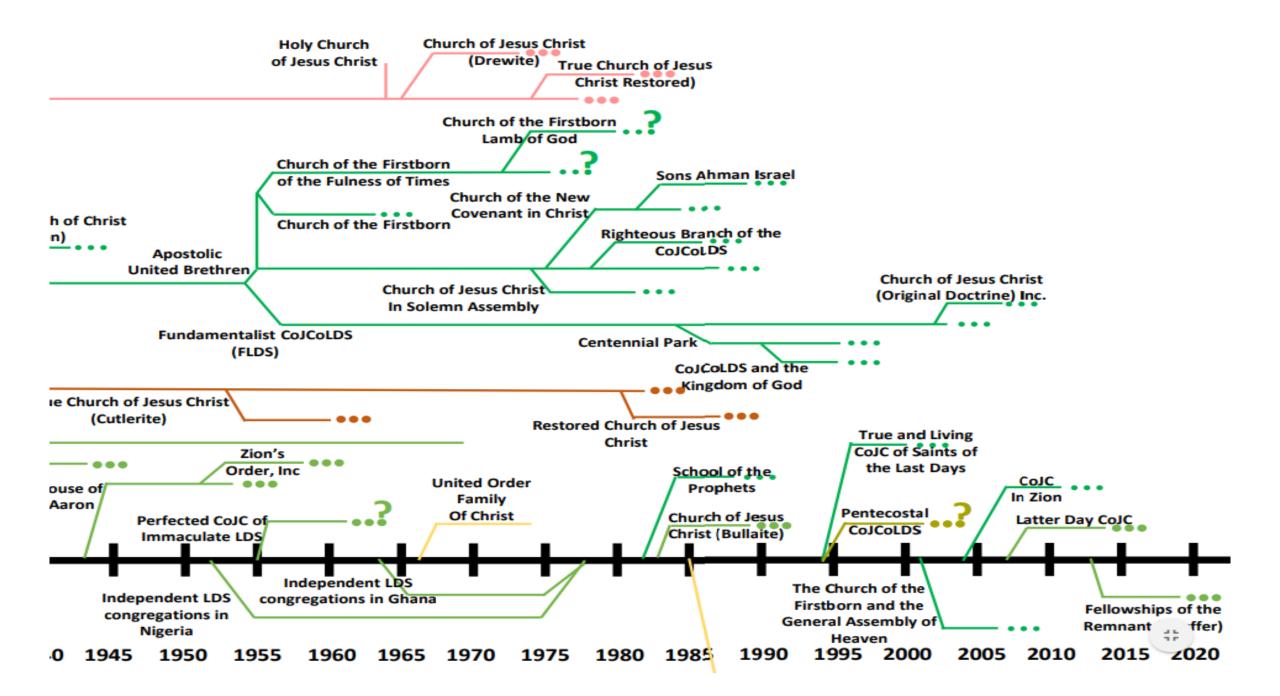
Our righteousness is as (what did Isaiah call it?)

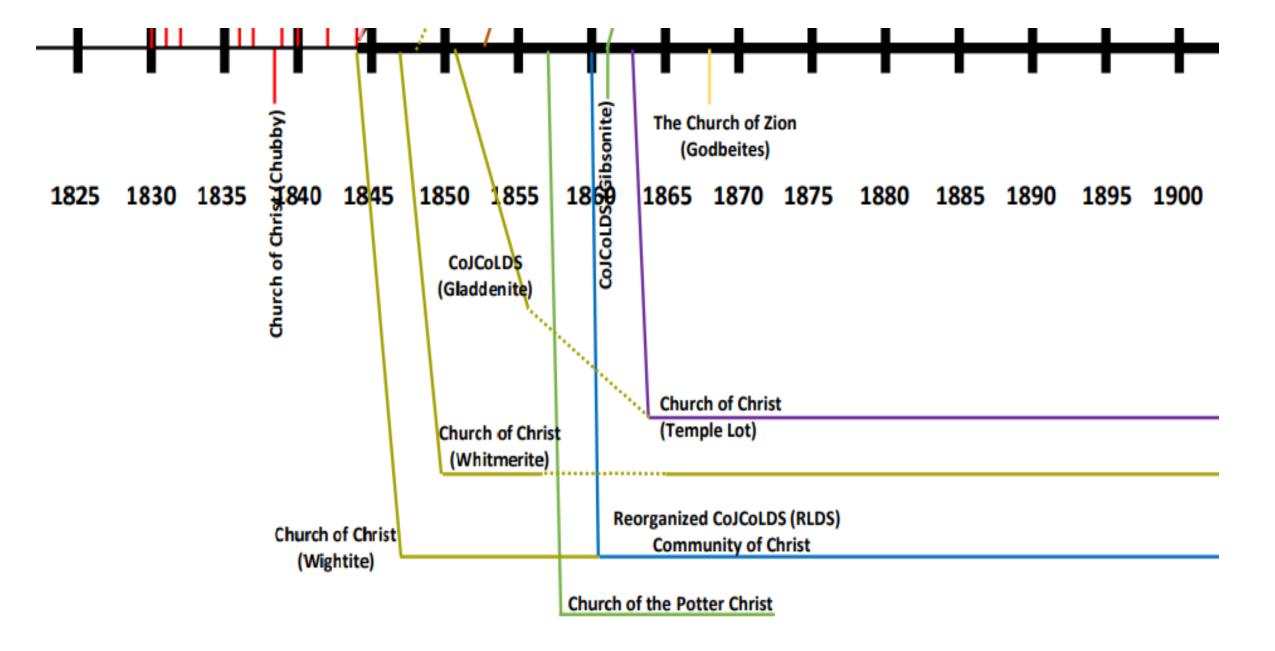




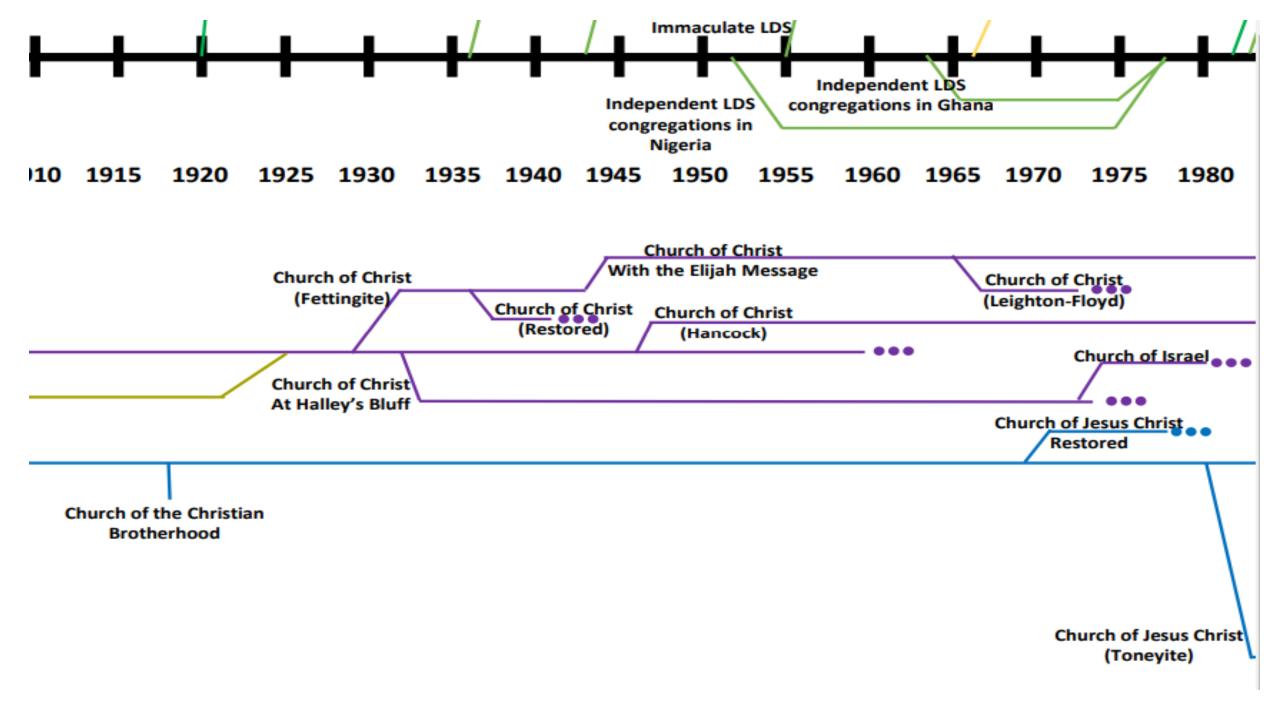








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Some of the results of the Fullness of the Gospel returning to us in the latter days...

- LDS
- Comm Of Christ
- Church of the Christian Brotherhood
- Church of Jesus Christ Restored
- Independent RLDS / Restoration Branches
- Church of Jesus Christ Restored 1830
- Church of Christ
- Church of Jesus Christ (Zion's Branch)
- Restoration Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
- Remnant Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
- Church of Christ (Temple Lot)
- Church of Christ (Fettingite)
- Church of Christ at Halley's Bluff
- Church of Christ (Restored)
- Church of Christ with the Elijah Message

RC Evans 1918	
Stanley King	1960s

Nolan W. Glauner	Mid-1980	Ds
David B. Clark	1985	
John and Robert Ca	ato	1986
Several RLDS entiti	es	1991
Frederick N. Larsen 2000		
Granville Hedrick	1863	
Otto Fetting	1929	
Thomas B. Nerren,	E. E. Long	1932
A.C. DeWolf	ca. 1937	
Otto Fetting, Willia	m Draves	1943

Church of Christ (Hancock) 1946 **Church of Christ** 1965 Church of Israel 1972 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Strangite), founded in 1844 Church of Christ (Whitmerite), 1847 "Rigdonites", 1844 Church of Christ (Wightite), 1844 Church of Christ (Whitmerite), 1847 Church of Christ (Brewsterite), 1848 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Gladdenite), 1851 Church of Jesus Christ (Cutlerite), 1853 Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ (Bickertonite), 1907 Fellowships of the remnants, 2013 The Church of Christ With the Elijah Message, The Assured Way of the Lord, Inc. Leonard Draves 2004

What do we say about salvation...??

<u>Is it:</u> "...We can't know about salvation until the end, but that should be us. But try really hard and hopefully you will make it to Celestial, otherwise you will probably land in Terrestrial, certainly Telestial."

Or is it: "We worship a God WHO IS MIGHTY TO SAVE"

He became the infinite sacrifice for our sin.

If we come to him, are broken and contrite His blood will wash away all sin, so we can return to him."

<u>Alma 5:25</u>

Therefore come and be baptized unto repentance,

that ye may be washed from your sins,

that ye may have faith on the Lamb of God,

who taketh away the sins of the world,

who is mighty to save and to cleanse from all unrighteousness;

The Ultimate Parallel

Alma 19:66

And it is requisite with the justice of God,

that men should be judged according to their works;

and if their works were good in this life, and the desires of their hearts were good,

that they should also, at the last day, be restored unto that which is good;

67 And if their works are evil, they shall be restored unto him for evil: therefore, all things shall be restored to their proper order; everything to its natural frame; mortality raised to immortality; corruption to incorruption; <u>raised to endless happiness, to inherit the kingdom of God,</u>

or to endless misery, to inherit the kingdom of the devil;

The Ultimate Parallel

<u>Alma 19</u>

68 The one on the one hand, the other on the other;

the one raised to happiness, according to his desires of happiness;

or good, according to his desires of good;

and the other to evil, according to his desires of evil;

for as he has desired to do evil all the day long,

even so shall he have his reward of evil, when the night cometh.

<u>Alma 3:39</u>

I say unto you,

Ye will know at that day, that ye **can not be saved**:

for there can no man be saved except his garments are washed white:

<u>Alma 3:40</u>

Yea, his garments must be purified until they are cleansed from all stain,

through the blood of him of whom it has been spoken by our fathers

who should come to redeem his people from their sins.

<u>Alma 3:44</u>

Behold, my brethren,

do ye suppose that such an one can have a place to sit down in the kingdom of God, with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob,

and also all the holy prophets,

whose garments are cleansed, and are spotless, pure, and white?

Alma 16:236

...the righteous shall sit down in his kingdom,

to go no more out;

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through the blood of the Lamb.

The Final State for those who reject...

<u>Alma 16:234</u>

... the Spirit of the Lord hath withdrawn from you, and hath no place in you, and the devil hath all power over you; **and this is the final state of the wicked.**

The Final State for those who Repent...

<u>1 Nephi 4:61</u>

Wherefore, the **FINAL STATE** of the souls of men

is to dwell in the kingdom of God, or to be cast out

because of that justice of which I have spoken;