Wherefore, I know that ye know that our flesh must waste away and die, Nevertheless, in our bodies we shall see God.

Yea, and I know that ye know that in the body

Yea, and I know that ye know that in the body

He shall show Himself unto they at Jerusalem from whence we came, For it is expedient that it should be among them.

For it behooveth the great Creator

that He suffereth Himself

to become subject unto man in the flesh

and die for all men,

that all men

might become subject

unto Him.

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<u>For as death</u> hath passed upon all men to fulfill the merciful plan of the great Creator,

there must needs be a **power of resurrection**,

And the <u>resurrection</u> must needs come unto man

by reason of the fall,

And the fall came

by reason of transgression;

And because man became fallen,

they were cut off from the presence of the Lord.

Wherefore, it must needs be an **infinite atonement**.

Save it should be an infinite atonement,

this corruption

could not put on incorruption.

Wherefore, the first judgment which came upon man

must needs have remained

to an endless duration.

And if so, this flesh must have <u>laid down</u> to rot and to crumble to its

mother earth,

to rise no more.

O the wisdom of God, His mercy and grace!

For behold,

if the flesh should rise no more,

our spirits must become subject to that angel
which fell from before the presence of the Eternal God

and hosame the devil

and became the devil,

to rise no more,

And our spirits must have become like unto him.

And we become devils - angels to a devil -

to be shut out

from the presence of our God

and to remain with the father of lies,

in misery like unto himself.

Yea, to that being who beguiled our first parents. Who transformeth himself nigh unto an angel of light

and stirreth up the children of men unto

secret combinations of murder and

all manner of secret works of darkness.

Will See God in at death,
God will show himself in this life

God subject to us
So we will be subject to him

With death
Must also be resurrection

Staircase Parallelism, The Fall, Transgression, cut us off from God.

Only an Infinite Atonement Can Bring us back to God. Or Corruption (this flesh) could not put on Incorruption (immortality)

Remained/Endless
Laid down/Rise no more.

THE POINT IS THAT WITHOUT
THE INFINITE ONE TAKING ON
FLESH, OUR BODIES WOULD DIE
FOREVER, OUR SPIRITS WOULD
BE CAST OUT FOREVER. WE
WOULD RISE NO MORE FOREVER.
(I WILL FIGHT NO MORE
FOREVER)

1 Nephi 4:61 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;

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'Paragraphs' begin by exclaiming the Mercy of our God. Hebrew Parallelism.

IMPORTANT PARALLEL HERE:
Death of Body=Grave
Death of the Spirit=Hell
BOTH TEMPORAL AND SPIRITUAL
DEATH ARE PARALLELED

BOTH MUST 'DELIVER UP THEIR DEAD' THIS IS WHAT IS SYMBOLIZED BY 'BOTH' BAPTISMS—BOTH THE BODY AND SPIRIT TO BE MADE ALIVE AGAIN BY JESUS

CHIASM ENDS HOW IT BEGAN: THIS IS WHAT 'THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL' MADE POSSIBLE.

NOTICE THE PARALLEL OF WHAT HAPPENS TO THE WICKED VS THE RIGHTEOUS. HELL DELIVERS A SPIRIT AND 'THE GRAVE' SYMBOLICALLY A BODY, BOTH REJOINED.

PARADISE DELIVERS A SPIRIT, THE GRAVE (FLESH) A BODY, BOTH REJOINED. WHAT HAPPENS TO THE EVIL ALSO HAPPENS TO THE GOOD. THIS IS THE PLAN

All people—whether righteous or wicked become immortal

But then Everyone's KNOWLEDGE, MEMORY become PERFECT.

The Wicked can ONLY remember their wickedness—it overwhelms the conscious.

The Righteous have all this removed, and are OVERWHELMED with JOY, no memory of guilt.

Notice parallel of Nakedness (wicked) vs. Clothed (righteous).

By Chiasm, implies 'Immortal means Living with Perfect Knowledge, no more to die'

All Will be Judged. Notice the only difference the wicked experience is the removal of death. Suffer in pain for eternity.

Alma 8:97 Therefore, the wicked remain as though there had been no redemption made, except it be the loosing of the bands of death

for the Lord God hath spoken it and it is His eternal word

which cannot pass away:

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That they which are <u>righteous</u> shall be <u>righteous</u> still,
And they which are <u>filthy</u> shall be **filthy** still;

Wherefore, they which are **filthy** are the devil and his angels.

And <u>they</u> shall go away <u>into everlasting fire</u> <u>prepared for them.</u> And their torment

is a lake of fire and brimstone, whose flames ascendeth up forever and ever and hath no end.

O the greatness and the justice of our God!

For He executeth <u>all His words</u>, And <u>they have gone forth **out of His mouth**</u> and <u>His law must be fulfilled</u>.

#### But behold, the righteous, the saints of the Holy One of Israel.

They which have believed in the Holy One of Israel,
They which have endured the crosses of the world and despised the shame of it.

They <u>shall inherit the kingdom of God</u> which was <u>prepared for them from the foundation of the world</u>, And their joy shall be full forever.

#### O the greatness of the mercy of our God, the Holy One of Israel!

#### For He delivereth

His saints from that awful monster the devil and death and hell, And that lake of fire and brimstone, which is endless torment.

### O how great the holiness of our God!

For He knoweth all things.
And there is not anything save He knows it;

What the Lord Speaks shall be forever. (Also paralleled)

Filthy shall remain Filthy
Righteous shall remain Righteous.

The Endless States of BOTH.

Repeating the Mercy, Greatness, Justice of God at every section.

Previous sections described the filthy—those who don't repent and become the devil and his angels.

Now compare to the righteous

While the unrighteous experience pain forever, the Righteous will experience Joy forever.

Note there is a 'larger parallel' throughout the chapter of what is 'despised' (vs 42, 62, 83)

Both 'Kingdoms' were prepared for them.
Both 'Kingdoms' prepared from the
Foundation of the World.

Ends larger chiasm on God's deliverance from the 'awful monster'

And He cometh into the world that He may save all men, if they will hearken unto His voice.

For behold, **He suffereth** the **pains** of <u>all men.</u>
Yea, the **pains** of <u>every living creature</u>
both <u>men and women and children</u>
which belong to the <u>family of Adam</u>.

And He suffereth this that the resurrection might pass upon all men.
That all might stand before Him at the great and judgment day.

And He commandeth all men that

they must repent

and be baptized in His name,

having perfect faith in the Holy One of Israel, or they cannot be saved in the kingdom of God;

And if they will not

repent

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and <u>believe</u> <u>in His name</u>

and be baptized in His name

and endure to the end,

they must be damned.

For the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, hath spoken it.

Wherefore, He hath given a law.

And where there is no law given,

there is no punishment.

And where there is no punishment,

there is **no condemnation**.

And where there is no condemnation,

the mercies of the Holy One of Israel <u>hath claim upon</u> them <u>because of the atonement</u>. For they are delivered by the power of Him.

For the <u>atonement</u> satisfieth the <u>demands of His justice</u> upon all those who **hath not the law given to them**.

That they are delivered from that awful monster death and hell and the devil

and the lake of fire and brimstone, which is endless torment.

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And they are restored to that God who gave them breath,

which is the Holy One of Israel.

But wo unto him that <u>hath the law given!</u>

Yea, that <u>hath all the commandments</u> of God like unto us and that transgresseth them.

And that wasteth the days of his probation.

For awful is his state.

Note God suffered in the flesh the pains of all humanity so that ALL humanity could have the chance to be saved.

Double emblematic parallelisms: Explains 'all men' to be men, women, children;

Explains 'resurrection' to be to stand before him at judgement day.

Parallel contracting saved in His Kingdom or being damned.

The point is it is our choice: To change our course, abiding in him by a covenant, and receive his kingdom

Not changing our course, not witnessing this covenant, not abiding and REJECTING THE KINGDOM.

This is ALL according to HIS WORD
THIS IS THE LAW

See Abinadi, the 3 'groups' that are saved.

1 Those who kept commandments, came in at the gate.

2. Little Children

3. Those who knew no law.

Beautiful Parallel of Mercy's Claim vs Justice Claim satisfied by the Atonement. Where no law Existed, the Atonement Satisfies Justice.

Perhaps Thief on the Cross is the Example.

<u>Death and Hell is the death of the body and spirit.</u>

The Breath of God gave life to the body and spirit.

The Devil parallel with The Holy One.

Contrast the Previous plan of the Holy One with the Plan of the Evil one.

O that cunning plan of the evil one!

O the vainness

and the frailties

and the foolishness of men!

When they are learned,

they think they are wise,

and they hearken not

unto the counsel of God.

For they set it aside,

supposing they know of themselves;

Wherefore,

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their wisdom is foolishness and it profiteth them not.

Wherefore, they shall perish.

But to be learned is good,

if it so be that they hearken unto the counsels of God.

But wo unto the rich,

which are rich as to the things of the world!

For because that they are rich,

they despise the poor,

and they persecute the meek,

and their hearts are upon their treasures;

Wherefore, their treasure is their god;

And behold, their treasure shall perish with them also.

And wo unto the deaf that will not hear! for they shall perish;

Wo unto the blind that will not see,

for they shall perish also;

Wo unto the uncircumcised of heart,

for a knowledge of their iniquities shall smite them at the last day;

Wo unto the liar

for he shall be thrust down to hell;

Wo unto the murderer who deliberately killeth,

for he shall die;

Wo unto them who commit whoredoms,

for they shall be thrust down to hell;

Yea, wo unto they that worship idols,

for the devil of all devils delighteth in them;

And in fine, wo unto all they that die in their sins,

For they shall return to God

and **behold** His face

and remain in their sins.

O my beloved brethren,

Remember

the awfulness

in transgressing against that Holy God!

And also

the awfulness

of <u>yielding</u> to the enticings of <u>that cunning one</u>.

Remember

to be carnally minded

is death,

and to be spiritually minded

is life eternal.

Hebrew Grammar adding 'ness' Frailties—

Awful is used 12 times in the chapter
The awfulness of
The monster death and hell.
Yielding to the enticings
Our state
Awful guilt, awful misery, awful memories.

### O my beloved brethren,

give ear to my words!

Remember the greatness of the Holy One of Israel;

Do not say that I have spoken <u>hard things</u> against you. For if ye do, ye will revile against the truth,

For I have spoken the words of your Maker;

I know that

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the words of truth are hard

against all uncleanness.

But the righteous **fear** it not,

For they love the truth

and are not shaken.

# O then my beloved brethren,

come unto the Lord, the Holy One of Israel!

Remember that His paths are righteousness;

Behold, the way for man is narrow,

but it lieth in a straight course before him.

And the keeper of the gate is the Holy One of Israel,

And He employeth no servant there.

#### And there is none other way,

save it be by the gate,

For He cannot be deceived.

For the Lord God is His name;

And whoso knocketh,

to him will He open;

#### And the wise

and the learned

and they that are rich

which are puffed up because of their learning

and their wisdom

and their riches,

yea, they are they whom He despiseth;

And save they shall cast these things away

and **consider themselves fools** before God

and come down in the depths of humility,

He will not open unto them;

But the things of the wise and the prudent shall be hid from them forever.

Yea, that happiness which is prepared for the saints.

Hebrew Word play: 'Fear' and 'Shake' are same Hebrew word.

(Nephi bids an 'everlasting farewell, 2 N 15)

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O my beloved brethren remember my words.

Behold, <u>I take off my garments</u>

and I shake them before you.

I pray the **God** of my salvation

that He view me with His all-searching eye.

Wherefore, ye shall know at the last day, when all men shall be judged of their works,

that the God of Israel did witness

that I shook your iniquities from my soul, And that I stand with brightness before Him and am <u>rid of your blood.</u>

#### O my beloved brethren,

turn away from your sins.

Shake off the chains

of him that would bind you fast.

#### Come unto that God

who is the Rock of your salvation.

Prepare your souls for that glorious day

when justice shall be administered unto the righteous,

Even the day of judgment,

that ye may not shrink with awful fear.

That ye may not remember your awful guilt in perfectness

and be constrained to exclaim:

Holy, holy are Thy judgments, O Lord God Almighty!

But I know my guilt - I transgressed Thy law,

and my transgressions are mine;

And the devil hath obtained me,

that I am a prey to his awful misery.

<u>But behold, my brethren</u>, is it expedient that I <u>should awake you</u> to an awful reality of these things?

Would I harrow up your souls

if your minds were pure?

Would I be plain unto you,

according to the plainness of the truth,

if ye were freed from sin?

Behold, if ye were holy,

I would speak unto you of holiness,

But as ye are not holy,

and ye look upon me as a teacher,

it must needs be expedient **that I teach you the consequences of sin.** 

Behold, my soul abhorreth sin,

And my heart delighteth in righteousness.

And I will praise the holy name of my God!

#### Come, my brethren.

Everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters. And he that hath no money, come, buy and eat.

Yea, come,

buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

Wherefore, do not spend money

for that which is of no worth,

Nor your labor

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for that which cannot satisfy.

#### Hearken diligently unto me

and remember the words which I have spoken,

#### And come unto the Holy One of Israel.

And feast upon that which perisheth not,

neither can be corrupted:

And let your soul delight in fatness.

### Behold, my beloved brethren,

remember the words of your God.

Pray unto Him continually by day

And give thanks unto His holy name by night;

Let your hearts rejoice and behold

how great the covenants of the Lord.

And how great His condescensions unto the children of men;

# And because of His greatness

and His grace and mercy,

He hath promised unto us that our seed shall not utterly be destroyed according to the flesh, but that He would preserve them.

And in future generations

they shall become a righteous branch unto the house of Israel.

#### And now my brethren,

I would speak unto you more.

But on the morrow I will declare unto you the remainder of my words. Amen.

By Baptism and Communion, we are acknowledging the plan God (The Holy One of Israel) prepared for our 'escape' from this 'awful monster'—that is both the death of the body and death of the spirit.

BAPTISM SYMBOLIZES ALL THIS.

COMMUNION REMEMBERS ALL THIS WAS DONE THROUGH HIM.

For behold, He suffereth the pains of all men,

Yea, the pains of every living creature both men and women and children which belong to the family of Adam.

And He suffereth this that the resurrection might pass upon all men, that all might stand before Him at the great and judgment day.

Baptism is ACKNOWLEDGING ALL THESE THINGS. THIS IS THE WITNESS that there was NO HOPE LEST the HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL DID THESE THINGS FOR US.

Story of the winery, minister's brother.

Without the Holy Ghost you are like a ship that is tossed around. God wants to bless your life with power that you can't have otherwise.

You need this power to become like him

Some say they have been baptized and wonder why would I need to be baptized again?

Some would say 'for membership.'

I would ask otherwise, I would ask—do you feel the power of the presence of God in your life?

Do you feel his inspiration in your mind? Do you find the power of his protection? Do you sense his comforting presence in difficulty?

Do you believe you have received the gift of the holy ghost? If you answer no to any of these, then this is what baptism by authority is for.

Sat under a tree with a seventy at youth camp, words uttered Remembered whole life the Spirit of God in life, and in you, is like a very polite person. Will not enter where it is not welcome; will not abide where not wanted.

The sun gives light to the day, and the moon dispels the dark

But the spirit of god is the light to the soul, that shall lighten and cheer the heart.

The answer is that you can't make up the spirit of God in you. You can't pretend to it. It's why scripture instructs that if you receive not the spirit you shall not teach because people will know the difference.

Prayer's hindered when spirit absent.

The parallelism of Freedom of salvation. You can freely come to him, you can freely knock. He will freely open.

And whoso knocketh,

to him will He open;

Come, my brethren.

Everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters.

And he that hath no money, come, buy and eat.

Yea, come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price

Alma 16:149-150

Now as I said concerning faith that it was not a perfect knowledge – even so it is with my words;

Ye cannot know of their surety at first unto perfection, any more than faith is a perfect knowledge.