# WHAT DOES THE BOOK OF MORMON TEACH?

Class 9



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About
'Repentance.....and Nothing'

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# Definintions??

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- Willing

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#### Alma 16:138

...Blessed is he that believeth in the word of God and is baptized without **stubbornness** of heart,

Yea, without being brought to know the word,

or even compelled to know,

before they will believe.

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#### **Helaman 2:163**

And thus we see that the Lord began to pour out His Spirit upon the Lamanites because of their <u>easiness and willingness</u> to believe in His word.

#### 3 Nephi 3:16

And they would not depart from it [the true faith], for they were firm and steadfast and immovable, willing with all diligence to keep the commands of the Lord.

### Meaning of The Way--Moroni 8:29

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The ANSWER to today's question????

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'Nothing.'



Sin Entered this world by the Will (Heart) of Man Rebelling Against God

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# Sin is Remitted by God's Grace with Man's Will Turns to God

Mosiah 11:187 "And the Lord said unto me: 'Marvel not that all mankind - yea, men and women, all nations, kindreds, tongues and people - must be born again,

188 Yea, born of God, Changed from their carnal and fallen state to a state of righteousness, Being redeemed of God, becoming His sons and daughters, And thus they become new creatures;

And unless they do this, they can in no wise inherit the kingdom of God.'



### Sin is WILLFULL Rebellion



### Willfulness of Sin

The words 'Willfull, Willfully, Willfullness' only occur in the Book of Mormon.

The words imply when sin is done with willful intent, from a conscious desire to do that which was contrary to God.



### Willfulness of Sin

#### Moroni 9:24

For I know that they must perish, except they repent and return unto Him;

And if they perish, it will be like unto the Jaredites, because of the willfulness of their hearts, seeking for blood and revenge;



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The word 'willfullness' is a Hebrew word רְרָוּת ְּรָׁə·ri·rūtַ, translated by Strong and others as 'stubbornness.'

The word 'stubbornness' appears through out the King James.



### Willful Sin-Jeremiah 18:12

#### **New International Version**

But they will reply, 'It's no use. We will continue with our own plans; we will all follow the stubbornness of our evil hearts.'

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But stubbornness misses the important nuance of the will.

Israel's downfall came when their sin became willfull.

Israels' sins were committed will **full knowledge** of right and wrong. **That is willfulness.** 

One can sin in stubborn ignorance, but willful sin is the more serious crime—willfull transgression was Israel's transgression.

It wasn't that Israel sinned in stubborn ignorance; their hearts setout to sin willfully.



### Willfulness of Sin

3 Nephi 3:20

Now they did not sin ignorantly, for they knew the will of God concerning them,

for it had been taught unto them;

Therefore, they did willfully rebel against God.



### Willfulness of Sin

#### 4 Nephi 1:42

And it came to pass that they which rejected the gospel were called Lamanites and Lemuelites and Ishmaelites,

And they did not dwindle in unbelief, but they did willfully rebel against the gospel of Christ;



### Willfulness of Sin

#### **Mosiah 8:62**

Yea, even all those that have perished in their sins ever since the world began, that have willfully rebelled against God, that have known the commandments of God and would not keep them;

These are they that have no part in the first resurrection.



### But WILLFULLNESS is used in Hebrew Bibles

Jeremiah 3:17

At that time, they shall call Yerushalayim "Throne of Hashem," and all nations shall assemble there, in the name of Hashem, at Yerushalayim. They shall no longer follow the willfulness of their evil hearts.

Jeremiah 7:24

Yet they did not listen or give ear; they followed their own counsels, the willfulness of their evil hearts. They have gone backward, not forward,



# WILLFULLNESS in Book of Mormon Matches use in Hebrew Bibles

The Book of Mormon uses English words (i.e. Willfullness) that are prefect translations from ancient Hebrew words.

But concordances of Hebrew/English words were not available when the Book of Mormon was first published (1830).



### Willfulness of Repentance

### **Repentance**

Needs to be, Must be done With Same

Willingness



### Willingness to Keep the Commandments

#### 2 Nephi 13:13

Wherefore my beloved brethren,

can we follow Jesus

save we shall be willing to keep the commandments of the Father?



### Willingness to Take His Name

2 Nephi 13:16 Wherefore my beloved brethren,

I know that if ye shall follow the Son with full purpose of heart, Acting no hypocrisy and no deception before God, but with real intent, repenting of your sins,

Witnessing unto the Father that ye are willing to take upon you the name of Christ by baptism,

Yea, by following your Lord and Savior down into the water according to His word, **Behold, then shall ye receive the Holy Ghost**;



### Willingness to Serve God

#### **Mosiah 9:179**

They were <u>desirous to be baptized as a witness and a</u> <u>testimony that they were willing to serve God with all their hearts -</u>



Willfulness to SIN

Is Countered by

Willingness to REPENT

### Every Step of 'The Way' Begins with an Act of WILLINGNES

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### 3 Nephi 3:68

Now I would have you remember also that there were none which were brought unto repentance who were not baptized with water;

### **Acts 10:47**

Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?



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#### Moroni 6:2 (After Jesus visits Nephites)

Behold, elders, priests and teachers were baptized.

And they were not baptized, save they brought forth fruit meet that they were worthy of it.

Neither did they receive any unto baptism,
save they came forth with a broken heart and a contrite spirit
and witnessed unto the church that they truly repented of all their sins;



#### Regarding Baptism and Repentance.....

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These MUST BE Voluntary Decisions.....

#### The Bible Dilemma According to Martin Luther...

Romans 3:28 Therefore we conclude that

a man is justified by faith alone

without the works of the law

**James 2:23** 

Ye see then that

by works a man is justified,

and not by faith only.

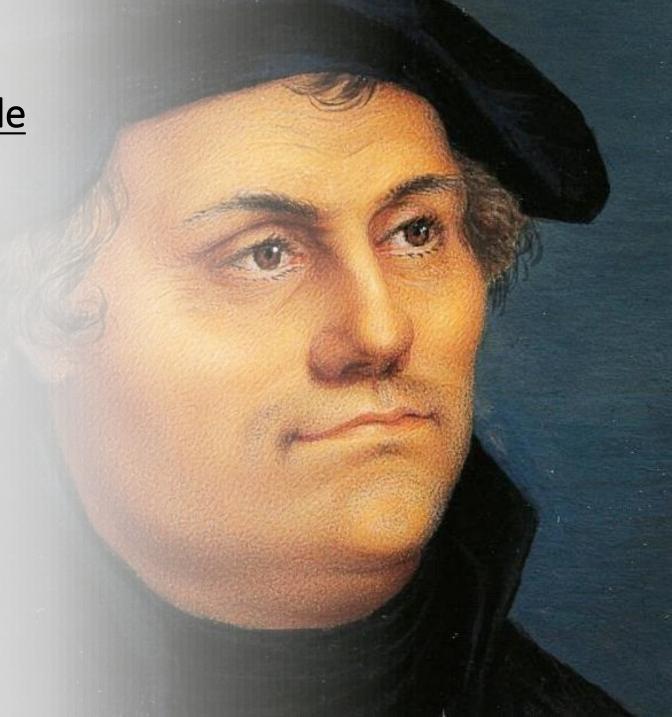
## Martin Luther—Couldn't Reconcile James and Paul

"Many sweat to reconcile St. Paul and St. James, but in vain.

<u>'Faith justifies</u>' and <u>'faith does</u> <u>not justify</u>' contradict each other flatly.

If any one can harmonize them I will give him my doctor's hood and let him call me a fool."

-Martin Luther



## Martin Luther On the Book of James....

"I maintain that some Jew wrote it [the Book of James] who probably heard about Christian people but never encountered any."

"We should throw the Epistle of James out of this school

[the University of Wittenberg]....

-Martin Luther



#### The Issue?

#### Works of the Law of Moses

Vs.

Works (Fruit) unto Christ.

#### Paul States in same Chapter two verses later:

#### **Galatians 2:16**

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law.

Galatians 2:19 For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.

#### The 'Deeds of the Law'

#### **Romans 3:20**

Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

#### So then, in context, what is this saying???

#### **Romans 3:27**

Where is **boasting then**? It is excluded.

By what law? of works?

Nay: but by the law of faith.

(This is just another comparison to the Law of Moses being done and all the energy formerly directed to following the Mosaic Law was now to be spent following 'The Faith' of Jesus.)

THIS IS NOT SIMPLY ISOLATING 'BELIEF' AS THE ONLY REQUIREMENT TO FOLLOW JESUS.

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But is a comparison to Faith in Jesus <u>INSTEAD OF</u>
Faith in the Law of Moses

#### Romans 3:

19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and

the prophets;

22 Even the righteousness of God which is by <u>faith of Jesus</u>
<u>Christ unto all and upon</u>
<u>all them that believe</u>: for there is no difference:

23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

24 Being <u>justified</u> freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his

blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

27 Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works?

Nay: but by the law of faith.

28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by

faith without the deeds of the law.

29 Is he the God of the Jews only? is he not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

30 Seeing it is one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith.

31 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law.

## Paul refers to The Requirements of the Mosaic Law as:

The Works of the Law of Moses

The Works of the Law

The Deeds of the Law

The Law

The Law of Works

... 'of Works'

The Law of Righteousness (From Romans 9/10)

#### Paul Even States of BOTH Faith and Works...

Romans 4:16 Therefore <u>ye are justified of faith and works</u>, through grace, to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; ..

<u>Titus 3:8</u> This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, **that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works**. These things are good and profitable unto men.

#### Ephesians 2

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#### John 15:8

Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit. so shall ye be my disciples.

#### John 15:16

Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you and ordained you that <u>ye should go and bring forth fruit</u>, and that your **fruit** should remain. that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

# KJ Bible—Paul Teaches To Be Zealous of Good Works In Christ.

#### Titus 2

- 11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
- 12 <u>Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live</u> <u>soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;</u>
- 13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;
- 14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

#### Romans 7:4

Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.

#### The Point of the 'Works' Luther couldn't Reconcile

 The Works of the Mosaic Law—REQUIRED BY THE LAW

 The 'Works'—i.e. Bearing Fruit—DONE WILLINGLY FOR JESUS

#### The Misunderstanding of Gentiles Today...

Luther taught any act of doing besides 'faith' may be a 'work' and therefore 'works' are not part of 'The Gospel'

Therefore today many ministers teach 'baptism' is 'a work' because it is 'something you do' and therefore not part of 'The Gospel.'

#### Even the Bible Teaches Judgement by Works...

#### **Revelation 20:12** (King James)

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 <u>dead were judged out of those things which</u> were written in the books, <u>according to their works</u>.



Grace does NOT mean 'there is nothing I have to do.'

Salvation by Grace means

'There is nothing I COULD HAVE DONE'



# Salvation by Grace means 'There is nothing I COULD HAVE DONE'

2 Nephi 1:73 "Wherefore, how great the importance to make these things known unto the inhabitants of the earth, That they may know that there is no flesh that can dwell in the presence of God, save it be through the merits and mercy and grace of the Holy Messiah,



#### Salvation by Grace means

#### 'There is nothing I COULD HAVE DONE'

Helaman 5:67 And if ye believe on His name, ye will repent of all your sins, that thereby ye may have remission of them through His merits.

Moroni 6:5 And their names were taken that they might be remembered and nourished by the good word of God to keep them in the right way - To keep them continually watchful unto prayer, relying alone upon the **merits** of Christ who was the author and the finisher of their faith.



1. Works of 'The Law of Moses' were done away

 Judgement is based on walking in the way and 'Bearing Fruit.'

3. Salvation means TO HAVE YOUR SIN REMOVED.



1. The Restoration Has to Realize that the Book of Mormon does not teach Salvation as a destiny based on works.

2. Salvation is about removal of Sin. Your WORKS do not remove your SIN—Only by Jesus Grace. And there are LAWS regarding this.



3. Your WORKS are simply EVIDENCE your HEART CHANGED, and you WALKED IN THE WAY.

IF YOU DID, then GRACE IS APPLIED and SIN REMOVED.

3. The Book of Mormon does NOT teach Eternity is separated into classes by the amount of one's works.



Your/My/Our Reward for ALL the Faithful is to share in God's Kingdom with ALL who Followed Him.

#### Alma 5:42

And may the Lord bless you and keep your garments spotless,

That ye may at last be brought to sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and the holy prophets which have been ever since the world began,

#### Having your garments spotless,

even as their garments are spotless In the kingdom of heaven, to go no more out.



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#### Helaman 2:26

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 <u>man of Christ in a strait and narrow course</u> 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.



#### Alma 19:106

And thus they are restored into His presence, to be judged according to their works, according to the law and justice.

For behold, <u>justice</u> <u>exerciseth</u> all his demands, And also <u>mercy</u> <u>claimeth</u> all which is her own.

And thus, none but the truly penitent are saved.



The POINT of Salvation is HAVING SIN REMOVED—THAT IS THE REWARD.

It is by HIS MERITS this is possible.

If SIN IS REMOVED,
WE ARE FULLY RESTORED TO GOD IN HIS
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# The Book of Mormon Teaches:



### 2 Nephi 1:72

Behold, <u>He offereth Himself a sacrifice for sin</u> to answer the ends of the law <u>unto all those which have a broken heart and a contrite spirit.</u>

And unto **none else** can the ends of the law be answered.

# The Book of Mormon Teaches:



### Alma 8:96

And He shall come into the world to redeem His people.

And <u>He shall take upon Him the transgressions of those who</u> believe on His name,

And these are they that shall have eternal life.

And salvation cometh to none else.

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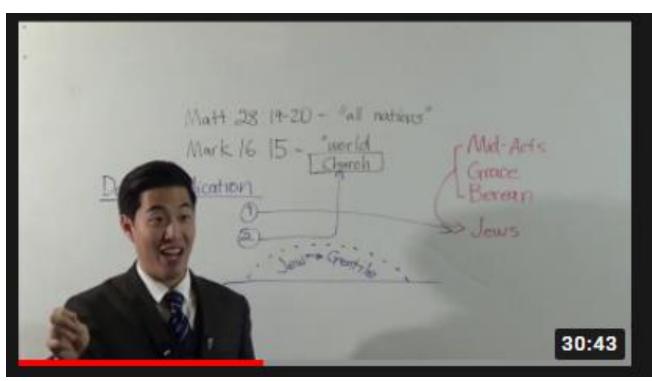
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# Remember....ANYONE can make a video and put it on youtube.

Doesn't mean it represents the whole, or anyone here.

But, these ideas are popular in our day.

Simply use to illustrate perhaps WHY the Book of Mormon states Gentiles would stumble, or all kinds of fruit, none of it what the master intended.



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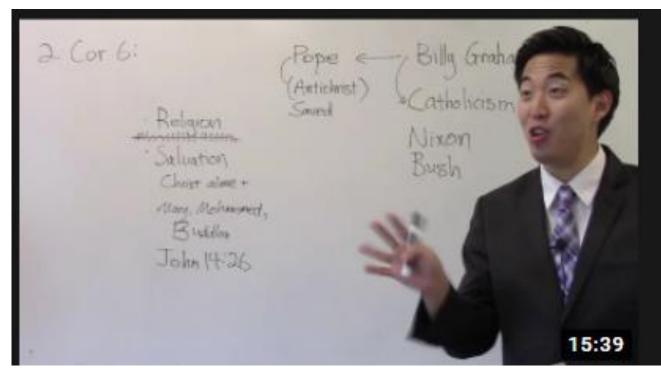
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### Video—'Pastor Dr. Gene Kim'

- Implies every scripture on baptism is speaking against baptism.
- 2 Cor 7:1 isn't a reference to baptism, it is a reference to repentance.
- Dr. Kim States '1 Cor 1:17 It Says Right Here that Water Baptism Can Not Be the Gospel'
- 'Would Paul be responsible for damning many souls to hell.'
- 'This is troubling if you think water baptism is salvation'
- 'There is no way baptism is included in the salvation Gospel in Paul's mind'
- 'Wresting of scripture' putting words in that do not exist in the text.

# Their Go-To scripture Teaching Paul & Gospel Were Not Baptism.....

### 1 Corinthians 1:17

For **Christ sent me not to baptize**, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

### The Context of 1 Corinthians 1 Is...

12 Now this I say, that <u>every</u> one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.

13 Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you?

or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?

14 I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;

15 <u>Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own</u> name.

16 And <u>I baptized also the</u> household of Stephanas: besides, <u>I know not whether I baptized any other.</u>

17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

Paul's states people were following popular men who baptized them

Paul means he wasn't sent to form a following after him, drawing people to him because of his (flattering) words.

Doing so would make the Gospel of Jesus and his death meaningless.

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Paul implies that people were 'following' the men who baptized them.

Paul means he didn't want people following him....that would make the Gospel of Jesus and his death meaningless.

# Minister who states Romans 'The Gospel Saves' (apparent) reference to Romans 1:16

### **Romans 1:16**

For I am not ashamed of the **gospel** of Christ. for it is **power of salvation** to every one that believeth.

To the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

### But in the SAME LETTER to Romans....

#### Romans 6:3

Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

Romans 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

(One of the most <u>beautiful Hebrew parallels</u> with his death for our life, Jesus' baptism and ours, the promise of NEW LIFE from the Father)

### **Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers**

1 Corinthians 1:17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel

(17) Not to baptize.--Preaching was eminently the work of the Apostles.

The deacons used to baptize (Acts 10:48).

## **Pulpit Commentary States:**

Verse 17. - Sent me not to baptize, but; that is, <u>according to Semitic idiom</u>, "not so much to baptize, as" (<u>Matthew 28:19</u>).

St. Paul again "goes off" at this word, and dwells for eight verses on the character of his preaching. Not in wisdom of words; not, that is, in a philosophic and oratorical style. The simplicity of the style and teaching of the apostles awoke the sneers of philosophers like Celsus and Porphyry. The cross of Christ. The central doctrine of Christianity, the preaching of a crucified Redeemer. Should be made void.

The rendering of the Authorized Version is too strong; the cross cannot "be made of none effect." The word means "should be emptied"

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The word "sent" (apesteilen) involves the meaning "made me an apostle" (apostolos).

The primary function of the apostles was "to bear witness" (Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8, etc.). To preach the gospel.

### Commanded=Arranged to be baptized.

#### **English Standard Version**

And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

#### **New International Version**

<u>So he ordered that</u> they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

#### **New Living Translation**

<u>So he gave orders for them</u> to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterward Cornelius asked him to stay with them for several days.

#### Berean Study Bible

So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay for a few days.

## Paul's Own Baptism-Acts 22:

- 11 And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.
- 12 And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt there,
- 13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

- 14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.
- 15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.
- 16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

# Crispus' baptism Acts 18 (by Paul)

4 And he <u>reasoned</u> in the <u>synagogue</u> every <u>sabbath</u>, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

5 And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews that Jesus was Christ.

8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.

6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.

9 Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:

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28 For he mightily convinced the Jews, and that publickly, shewing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ.

7 And he departed thence, and entered

### Paul Baptizing in New Testament

#### Acts 16:

- 30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?
- 31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.
- 32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.
- 33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.
- 34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

# Peter/Paul/Philip

<u>Titus 3:5</u> Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

Hebrews 10:22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

# Peter/Paul/Philip

Acts 8:12

But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

## Paul's Teaching-Ephesians 5

24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.

25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

26 That he might sanctify and <u>cleanse it with the washing of water by</u> the word,

The word a parallel cleansing compared to baptism

### John was 'Sent To Baptize.' States

John 1:29,33

29 The next day <u>John seeth Jesus coming unto him</u>, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world......

33 ...And I knew him not, but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me

'Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.'

### Preaching of Baptism by...

### **Mark 1:4**

John did baptize in the wilderness,

and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.

# Pauls Teaching

1 Corinthians 12:13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

Galatians 3:27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

# Paul's point

Left to ordained local ministry to baptize.

Also so they wouldn't make 'followers' by claiming which Apostle baptized them.

But NOTHING further from the truth that Paul didn't condone baptism or preached against baptism.

Totally misses the symbol of dying unto ourselves, new life in him.

# διακονεῖν (diakonein)

### [in order] to wait on

διακονεῖν (diakonein)

Verb - Present Infinitive Active

Strong's Greek 1247: From diakonos; to be an attendant, i.e. Wait upon (figuratively) teacher; technically, to act as a Christian deacon.

(Literally, the meaning was Paul stated Apostles weren't sent to be deacons).

Acts 10:48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

### Acts 6:1

### **King James Bible**

And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration.

### **New American Standard Bible**

Now at this time, as the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint developed on the part of the Hellenistic Jews against the native Hebrews, because their widows were being overlooked in the daily serving of food.

### Acts 6:2 (King James Bible)

Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

### And Serve Tables Greek= The word Deacon

### **Acts 6:2**

Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said,

It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and **serve tables**. (i.e. do the work of the local church, i.e. the deacons)

### Acts 10:48

### **KJ**

And he <u>commanded them to be baptized</u> in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

#### **NASB 1995**

And **he ordered** them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay on for a few days.

#### he ordered that

προσέταξεν (prosetaxen)

Verb - Aorist Indicative Active - 3rd Person Singular <a href="Strong's Greek 4367">Strong's Greek 4367</a>: (a) I instruct, command, (b) I appoint, assign. From pros and tasso; to arrange towards, i.e. enjoin.

### **Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers**

(Acts 10:48) And he commanded them . . .

--It would seem from this that St. Peter acted on the same general principle as St. Paul (1Corinthians 1:14-17),

and left the actual administration of baptism to other hands than his own.

### 1 Corinthians 1:17

### **King James Bible**

And I baptized also the household of Stephanas besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.

**Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers** 

(17) Not to baptize.--Preaching was eminently the work of the Apostles. The deacons used to baptise (Acts 10:48).

#### **Study Bible**

<u>The Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit</u>
...47"Can anyone withhold the water to baptize these people? They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have!" 48So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay for a few days. Berean Study Bible Download

#### **Cross References**

#### **Acts 2:38**

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

#### **Acts 8:16**

For the Holy Spirit had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had simply been baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus.

#### **Acts 19:5**

On hearing this, they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus.

#### 1 Corinthians 1:14

I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius,

#### 1 Corinthians 1:17

For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with words of wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

## What is wrong with Going by the Bible??

Video

Tribute to Baptism, thank you Hollywood

Video 1—Infant Baptism



## Video 2 Infant Baptism

## Ancient Hebrew Definition of Innocent

1318) → NQ) ac: Suckle co:

Breast ab: Innocent: The pictograph  $\S$  is a picture of a seed and represents the sons of the next generation, the — is a picture of the sun at the horizon and the drawing in of light. Combined these mean "child drawn in". The bringing in and holding close of an infant to the breast.



#### From Jeff Benner's "Ancient Hebrew Lexicon"

## Ancien Hebrew Innocent=BLAMELESS, INNOCENT, CLEAN

From Jeff Benner's "Ancient Hebrew Lexicon"

## The Book of Mormon Teaches:



## LITTLE CHILDREN ARE WITHOUT SIN

Mosiah 1:122 And behold, when that time cometh, none shall be found blameless before God, except it be little children, Only through repentance and faith on the name of the Lord God Omnipotent.

## Words NOT appearing in King James

Innocence does NOT appear in King James.

Guiltless does, and in an interesting context in NT. Means without sin.

Matthew 12:

(story of shewbread)

6 But I say unto you, That in this place is one greater than the temple.

7 But if ye had known what this meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ye would not have condemned the guiltless.

8 For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.

## <u>Innocence</u>

The Book of Mormon uses 'INNOCENCE' describing Adam/Eve's nature Pre-Sin.

**2 Nephi 1:113** And they would have had no children; Wherefore, they would have remained in a state of **innocence** - having no joy, for they knew no misery, doing no good, for they knew no sin.

## Guiltless—without SIN

#### 3 Nephi 12:29

And it shall come to pass that whoso repenteth and is baptized in My name shall be filled;

And if he endureth to the end, Behold, him will <u>I hold guiltless before</u> My Father at that day when I shall stand to judge the world;

## Guiltless—without SIN

#### **Mormon 3:29**

And He hath brought to pass the redemption of the world,

Whereby he that is found guiltless before Him at the judgment day hath it given unto them to dwell in the presence of God in His kingdom,

To sing ceaseless praises with the choirs above unto the Father and unto the Son and unto the Holy Ghost, which is one God, in a state of happiness which hath no end.

#### What Are Her Sins???

- What Sinful thoughts fill her mind?
- What willful rebellion?
- What lies from her lips?
- What impure desires?
- What selfish acts has she committed?
- What evil thoughts fill her heart?
- What darkness, malice tempts her
- What repentance will she pursue?



## Meaning of The Way--Moroni 8:29

And the firstfruits of repentance is baptism.

And **baptism** cometh by faith,

unto the **fulfilling the commandments**.

And the **fulfilling the commandments** 

bringeth remission of sins.

And the **remission of sins** 

bringeth meekness and lowliness of heart.

And because of meekness and lowliness of heart

cometh the visitation of the Holy Ghost,

Which Comforter filleth with hope

and perfect love.

Which love endureth by diligence unto prayer until the end shall come

when all the saints shall dwell with God.

(Word will Tell us, Spirit will Show Us what to do)





### What Does She Know of ...

**Repentance** 

**Faith in Jesus** 

Jesus shed blood

The commandments.

Remission of sins.

Being meek and lowly of heart.

The visitation of the Holy Ghost,

**Hope and perfect love.** 

**Enduring in prayer until the end shall come** 

**Dwelling with God.** 

**Following the Word** 

**Being Led by the Spirit** 





## Each one of these is....

Entering "The Way"

**Repentance** 

**Faith in Jesus** 

Jesus shed blood

The commandments.

Remission of sins.

Being meek and lowly of heart.

The visitation of the Holy Ghost,

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Following the Word

**Being Led by the Spirit** 

A Voluntary,
Conscientious
Response To
Jesus

## But instead, Jesus Says....



### Jesus Says....

#### Matthew 19:14 But Jesus said,

Suffer little children, and forbid **the**m not to come unto me: **for of such is the kingdom of heaven.** 

Mark 10:14 But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them,

Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

Luke 18:16 But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not:

for of such is the kingdom of God.

## Why?

## Because God's kingdom is full of children.

(How is that possible if they are suffering in hell?)



## The Book of Mormon Teaches:



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These MUST be WILLFUL Acts

## Infants are.....sinners....???

Psalms 51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

This is taken COMPLETELY from a single passage from David lamenting the sin of the world and his own sin...

## Infants are.....sinners....???

#### Psalms 51

- 1 <u>Have mercy upon me</u>, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2 Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 <u>Against thee, thee only, have I sinned</u>, and <u>done this evil in thy sight</u>: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.
- 5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

## Infants are.....sinners....???

#### Psalms 51

5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

(This means he was born into a sinful world—this is the Fall of Adam that we are all separated from God.

If all children inherited mothers sin, then NO WAY FOR PLAN OF SALVATION TO WORK—JESUS WOULD HAVE HAD MOTHER'S SIN)

## If Infant baptism....was true

- Better have evidence it was etched into stone by God's finger,
- Better have account Jesus preaching it to the multitudes...your children will go to hell if not baptized.

## IF THIS WAS TRUE

Then the ENTIRE FOUNDATION OF CHRISTIANITY IS UNTRUE BECAUSE

BY THEIR LOGIC, JESUS THEREFORE WOULD HAVE ALSO BEEN SINFUL FROM BIRTH...

HOW COULD HE HAVE PAID THE DEBT OF OUR SIN IF ALL BABIES BORN INTO THIS WORLD HAVE SIN

## IF THIS WAS TRUE

An Obscure Connection which is NEVER STATED in SCRIPTURE.

Only Implied by a SINGLE VERSE,

## The Book of Mormon Teaches:



People are NOT born with 'Adam's Sin' (original sin)
BUT....that all humanity suffers separation from God due to Adam's sin.

Moroni 8:9 .....Wherefore, the curse of Adam is taken from them in Me, that it hath no power over them...

(More on this later....)

## The Book of Mormon Teaches:



## People are NOT born with 'Adam's Sin' (original sin) BUT....that all humanity suffers separation from God due to Adam's sin. We are not Judged by Adams (or anyone elses) Sin

#### 2 Nephi 1

109 For He gave commandment that all men must repent,

110 For He showed unto all men that they were lost because of the transgression of their parents.

111 "And now behold, if Adam had not transgressed, he would not have fallen, but he would have remained in the garden of Eden;

(More on this later....)

## Joel---C.O.O.C.

#### **Acts 2:39**

For the promise is unto you and to your **children**, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

## The Book of Mormon Teaches:



- Innocent
- Guiltless
- Blameless

Little Children are described as ALL these things, which means WITHOUT SIN.

# The Best Scripture regarding the Innocent State of Children comes from Jesus in BOTH New Testament and Book of Mormon

#### Moroni 8:9

Behold, I came into the world, not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance;

The whole need no physician, but they that are sick;

Wherefore, little children are whole,

for they are not capable of committing sin;

Wherefore, the curse of Adam is taken from them in Me,

that it hath no power over them;

And the law of circumcision is done away in Me.'

Moroni 8:13 But little children are alive in Christ, even from the foundation of the world; If not so, God is a partial God, and also a changeable Being and a respecter to persons; For how many little children have died without baptism?

# Video 1



## Baptism is a <u>Witness</u> to God that <u>We Choose</u> to Make <u>When We Repent</u>

#### Alma 5:27

Yea, come and go forth and show unto your God that ye are willing to repent of your sins and enter into a covenant with Him to keep His commandments,

And witness it unto Him this day by going into the waters of baptism;



## Baptism is a <u>Witness</u> to God that <u>We Choose</u> to Make <u>When We Repent</u>

Mosiah 9:41

Now, I say unto you, if this be the desires of your hearts, <u>What have you against being baptized in the name of the Lord as a witness</u> before Him that ye have entered into a covenant with Him that ye will serve Him and keep His commandments, that He may pour out His Spirit more abundantly upon you?"



## Baptism is a <u>Witness</u> to God that <u>We Choose</u> to Make <u>When We Repent</u>

Mosiah 9:179

They were desirous to be baptized

as a witness and a testimony

that they were willing to serve God with all their hearts



#### Baptism is only for those Capable of Repentance

#### Moroni 8:15

Behold, I say unto you that

he that supposeth that little children needeth baptism is in the gall of bitterness and in the bonds of iniquity,

For he hath neither faith, hope nor charity;

## <u>C.O.O.C</u>

#### Acts 2:38-39

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

# Greek word for 'children' is τέκνοις (teknois)

Noun - Dative Neuter Plural

Strong's Greek 5043: A child, descendent, inhabitant.

While it can mean child, it also means '<u>descendents</u>' which, given the context of Acts 2: 22 is the certain meaning. Referring to 'those present' and 'those afar off"

# Deuteronomy 29:15

....but also with those who are standing here with us today in the presence of the LORD our God, <u>as well as with those who are not here today.</u>

#### Isaiah 44:3

For I will pour <u>water</u> on the <u>thirsty land</u>, and <u>currents</u> on the <u>dry ground</u>.

I will pour out <u>My Spirit on your descendants</u>, and <u>My blessing on your offspring</u>.

#### Isaiah 54:13

Then all your sons will be taught by the LORD, and great will be their prosperity.

#### Isaiah 65:23

They will not labor in vain or bear children doomed to disaster; for they will be a people blessed by the LORD--they and their descendants with them.

#### Isaiah 54:13

Then all your sons will be taught by the LORD, and great will be their prosperity.

Joel 2:32

And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved;

For on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the LORD has promised, among the remnant called by the LORD.

# Acts 3:25, 39

And you are sons of the prophets and of the covenant God made with your fathers when He said to Abraham,

'Through your offspring all the families of the earth will be blessed.'

For the promise is unto you and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

1 An epistle of my father Mormon, written to me, Moroni. And it was written unto me soon after my calling to the ministry.

2 And on this wise did he write unto me, saying: "My beloved son Moroni, I rejoice exceedingly that your Lord Jesus Christ hath been mindful of you and hath called you to His ministry and to His holy work;

3 I am mindful of you always in my prayers, Continually praying unto God the Father, in the name of His holy Child Jesus, That He through His infinite goodness and grace will keep you through the endurance of faith on His name to the end.

4 "And now my son, I speak unto you concerning that which grieveth me exceedingly; For it grieveth me that there should disputations rise among you;

5 For if I have learned the truth, there have been disputations among you concerning the baptizing of your little children.

6 "And now my son, I desire that ye should labor exceedingly that this gross error should be removed from among you; For, for this intent I have written this epistle.

7 "For immediately after I had learned these things of you, I inquired of the Lord concerning the matter;

8 And the word of the Lord came to me by the power of the Holy Ghost, saying: 'Listen to the words of Christ your Redeemer, your Lord and your God;

9 Behold, I came into the world, not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance;

The whole need no physician, but they that are sick;

Wherefore, little children are whole, for they are not capable of committing sin;

Wherefore, the curse of Adam is taken from them in Me, that it hath no power over them;

And the law of circumcision is done away in Me.'

10 "And after this manner did the Holy Ghost manifest the word of God unto me; Wherefore, my beloved son, I know that it is solemn mockery before God that ye should baptize little children.

11 "Behold, I say unto you that this thing shall ye teach:

Repentance and baptism unto they which are accountable and capable of committing sin;

Yea, teach parents that they must repent and be baptized and humble themselves as their little children, And they shall all be saved with their little children;

And their little children need no repentance, neither baptism.

12 "Behold, baptism is unto repentance to the fulfilling the commandments unto the remission of sins;

13 But little children are alive in Christ, even from the foundation of the world; If not so, God is a partial God, and also a changeable Being and a respecter to persons; For how many little children have died without baptism?

14 Wherefore, if little children could not be saved without baptism, these must have gone to an endless hell.

15 "Behold, I say unto you that he that supposeth that little children needeth baptism is in the gall of bitterness and in the bonds of iniquity, For he hath neither faith, hope nor charity; Wherefore, should he be cut off while in the thought, he must go down to hell;

16 For awful is the wickedness to suppose that God saveth one child because of baptism and the other must perish because he hath no baptism;

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17 Wo be unto him that shall pervert the ways of the Lord after this manner! For they shall perish, except they repent!

21 And He that saith that little children needeth baptism denieth the mercies of Christ and setteth at naught the atonement of Him and the power of His redemption;

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18 "Behold, I speak with boldness, having authority from God; For I fear not what man can do; For perfect love casteth out all fear; And I am filled with charity, which is everlasting love; Wherefore, all children are alike unto me; Wherefore, I love little children with a perfect love; And they are all alike and partakers of salvation;

22 Wo unto such! for they are in danger of death, hell and an endless torment; I speak it boldly! God hath commanded me.

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13 But little children are alive in Christ, even from the foundation of the world; If not so, God is a partial God, and also a changeable Being and a respecter to persons; For how many little children have died without baptism?

19 For I know that **God is not a partial God, neither a** changeable Being, But He is unchangeable from all eternity to all eternity.

24 "Listen unto them and give heed, Or they stand against you at the judgment seat of Christ;

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25 For behold that all little children are alive in Christ, and also all they that are without the law;

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10 "And after this manner did the Holy Ghost manifest the word of God unto me; Wherefore, my beloved son, I know that it is solemn mockery before God that ye should baptize little children.

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9 Behold, I came into the world, not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. The whole need no physician, but they that are sick;

Wherefore, little children are whole, for they are not capable of committing sin; Wherefore, the curse of Adam is taken from them in Me, that it hath no power over them;

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Х	WICKEDNESS THAT GOD ONLY SAVES SOME WICKED TEACHERS SHALL PERISH	For awful is the wickedness to suppose that God saveth one child because of baptism and the other must perish because he hath no baptism; Wo be unto him that shall pervert the ways of the Lord after this manner!	16
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### The Book of Mormon Teaches:



#### The 3 Groups of People who are Resurrected to Good;

#### Mosiah 8: Abinadi teaches:

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- 3. Little Children.

## The Book of Mormon Teaches:



- Innocent
- Guiltless
- Blameless

Little Children are described as ALL these things, which means WITHOUT SIN.

And All these MATCH the Ancient Hebrew for Sinless.

### Jesus' Blood Atones for these Three:

- Those who kept the commandments, in Covenant
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(Abinadi's teaching: Mosiah 8)

### 1. Those Who Obeyed

#### Mosiah 8:

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,

These shall come forth in the first resurrection;

Therefore, they are the first resurrection;

### 1. Those Who Obeyed

#### Mosiah 8:

57 They are raised to dwell with God who hath redeemed them, Thus they have eternal life through Christ who hath broken the bands of death.

#### 2. Those Who Knew No Law

#### Mosiah 8:

58 And there are those who have part in the first resurrection, And these are they that have died before Christ came, in their ignorance, not having salvation declared unto them;

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59 And thus the Lord bringeth about the restoration of these (i.e. those who knew no law);

And they have a part in the first resurrection, or hath eternal life, being redeemed by the Lord.

### 2. Those Who Knew No Law

#### **Moroni 8:25**

For behold that **all little children are alive** in Christ, and also all they that are without the law;

(Notice Moroni captures those who knew no law here as well)

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Mosiah 8:

60 And little children also hath eternal life.