

WHAT DOES THE BOOK OF MORMON TEACH?

Class 20



Teaching The Beginning from the Beginning.....'Beresheit'

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Further Study—Complete Video Links

- “Beresheit” (Pastor Mark Blitz): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FKndRQ-GJrA>
- “Torah Parashah Bereshit” - Hidden Prophecies in Creation <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QiKZb3LiZsg&t>
- “Genesis 1. The First Word in the Bible: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RmnUkNT55gU>
- Jeff Benner: Barasheit—Part 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=juZSxrPOd2k>
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First Word
In Genesis



Mark Blizt



Points from Blitz Video

- Blitz Video
- The light in Genesis had untranslated Aleph Tov—this was the sign of JESUS—left out of translations.
- Genesis 5
- Isaiah—a light will come from Me. JEWS interpreted this as the Law of Moses. BUT Moses said another is coming who will be your law giver. The physical law was Mosaic Law. Like a person it would die. The spiritual Law was JESUS, the one that never dies. HE WAS THE ONE THAT GENESIS AND ISAIAH POINT TO. HE WAS THE ETERNAL LIGHT.
- Isaiah writes ‘a Torah is going to proceed from Me.’ To Nephites Jesus says ‘I am he who gave the law.’ in me the law is done away.
- Wasn’t just the word ‘or’ light but Aleph Tov Or (Jesus WAS THE LIGHT)

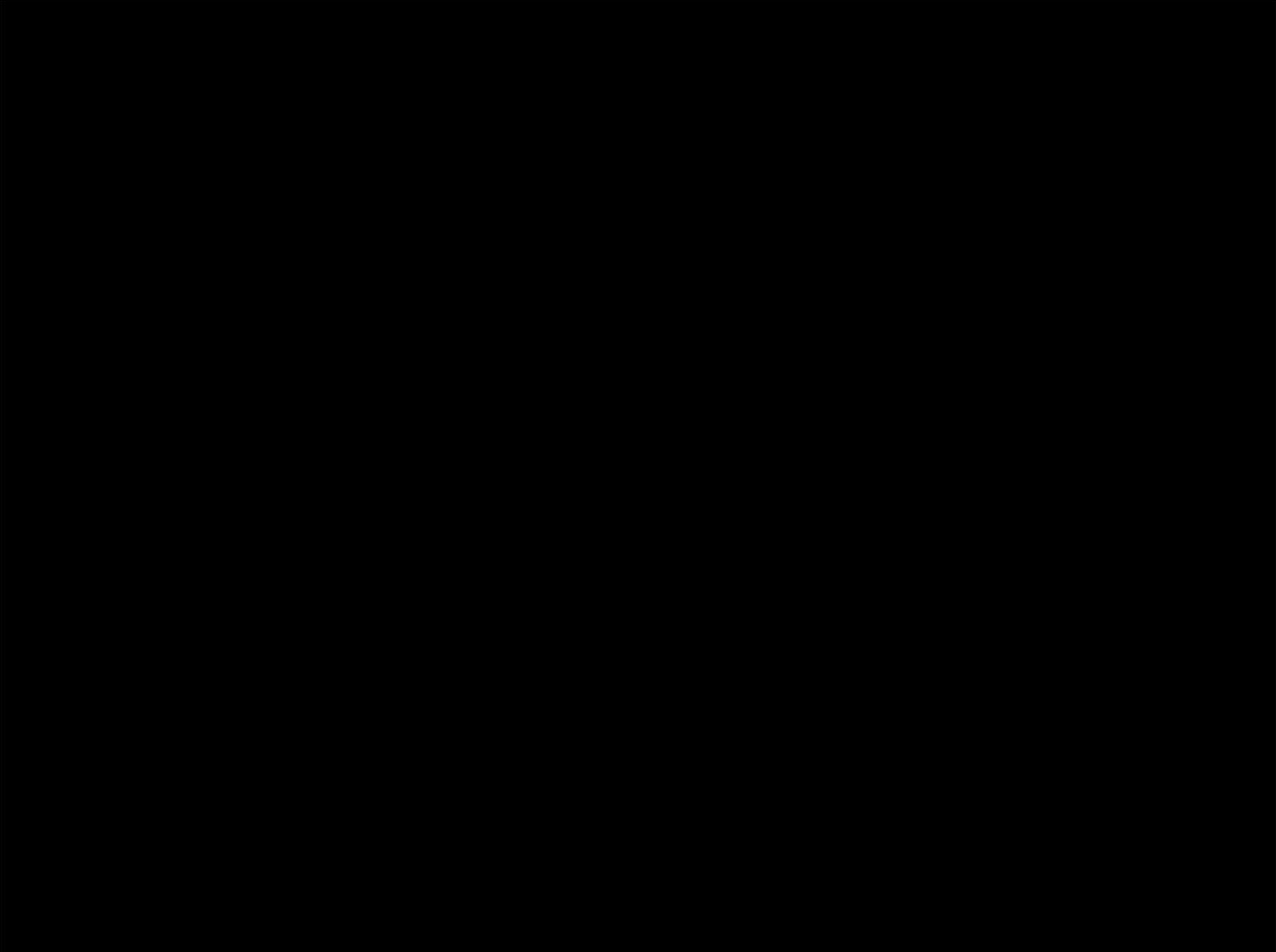
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Benner Video

- Space= Time
- We think of time linear, they think of circular.
- Beresheit.
- Head=like a river

- Days of separation and filling (fattening)
- Water used to separate—the river.
- States Elohim=ALL POWERFUL ONE (OMNIPOTENT)

Book of Mormon equating space and time...

1 Nephi 3:60 And after that she had been carried away in the Spirit **a time, for the space of a time**, the angel spake unto me, saying: "Look!"

1 Nephi 5:21 And after that we had **traveled for the space** of many days, we did pitch our tents for **the space of a time**, that we might again rest ourselves and obtain food for our families.

1 Nephi 5:43 And after that we had traveled for the **space of many days** we did pitch our tents again, that we **might tarry for the space of a time**.

Jarom 1:29 And it came to pass that two hundred and thirty and eight years had passed away, after the **manner of wars and contentions and dissensions for the space of much of the time**;

Alma 12:86 And the king answered him **not for the space of an hour according to their time**, for he knew not what he should say unto him.

Book of Mormon: God's work is one 'Eternal Round' ...

1 Nephi 3:32 Wherefore, **the course of the Lord is one eternal round**.

Alma 5:35 Neither doth He vary from that which He hath said.
Neither hath He a shadow of turning from the right to the left,
Or from that which is right to that which is wrong,
Therefore, **His course is one eternal round**.

Alma 17:42 ... For He doth counsel in wisdom over all His works,
And His paths are strait.
And His course is one eternal round.

'Eternal Round' phrase does NOT exist in English Bible Translations

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Earth

and

Heavens

Elohim

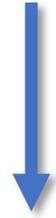
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In Beginning

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Earth and Heavens Elohim Created In Beginning

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Aleph Tov

=God The Beginning and the End

(Greek: Alpha and Omega)

=ALL CREATION (Like from A to Z)

=EVERLASTING

UNTRANSLATED IN ALL ENGLISH VERSIONS!!

The Vav Aleph Tav

aleph א = the ox head, thus strength, power, leader

vav ו = the tent peg, thus add, secure, hook

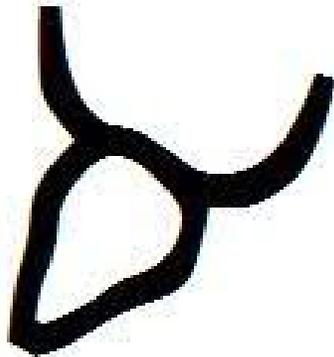
tav ט = crossed sticks, thus mark, sign, signal, monument

Hebrew Aleph Tav / Greek Alpha Omega

תא/ΑΩ



Mark



God's

Revelation—(Greek) The Alpha and Omega

Revelation 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Revelation 21:6 And he said unto me, It is done.

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

Revelation 22:13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

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Saying (Hebrew) 'I Am the Aleph Tav'

I Am the Aleph-Tav: God and Cross

Most people will be shocked to know that 'Jesus' appears ten times (1000%) more in the Old Testament than he does in the New Testament.

In fact Jesus the Aleph-Tav appears 9612 times (uninterpreted) in the Old Testament but only 983 times in the New Testament.

(Samuel Koiki Author)



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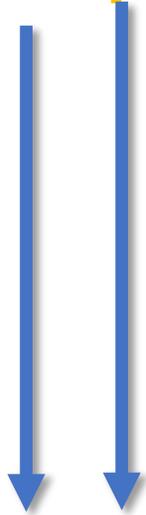
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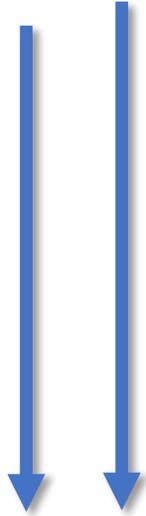


Aleph Tov “Connection”

Earth and Heavens

Elohim Created In Beginning

הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ



Aleph Tov

“Connection”
Also means
“MAN”

GOD would be THE HUMAN
CONNECTION between HEAVEN
and EARTH

Rashi Says....

- **Rabbi Solomon ben Isaac (Shlomo Yitzhaki)**, known as **Rashi**
- He was born in France in 1040.
- One of the most influential Jewish commentators in history.

Rashi—God as Judge (Elohim) Created

ברא אלהים ולא נאמר ברא ה', שבתחלה עלה במחשבה לבראתו
במדת הדין, ראה שאין העולם מתקיים, הקדים מדת רחמים ושתפה
למה"ד, והיינו דכתיב ביום עשות ה' אלהים ארץ ושמים:

GOD [AS JUDGE] CREATED — It does not state 'ברא ה'
“The Lord (the Merciful One) created, because at first God intended to
create it (the world) to be placed under the attribute (rule) of strict
justice, but He realised that the world could not thus endure and
therefore gave precedence to Divine Mercy allying it with Divine
Justice. It is to this that what is written in (Genesis 2:4) alludes — “In
the day that the Lord God made earth and heaven”.

Rashi—The Spirit of God... 'LIKE A DOVE'

עַל פְּנֵי תְהוֹם. עַל פְּנֵי הַמַּיִם שֶׁעַל הָאָרֶץ:

ON THE FACE OF THE DEEP — i. e. the waters which were upon the earth.

וְרוּחַ אֱלֹהִים מְרַחֶפֶת. כִּסֵּא הַכְּבוֹד עוֹמֵד בְּאֵוִיר וּמְרַחֵף עַל פְּנֵי הַמַּיִם בְּרוּחַ פִּי שֶׁל הַקָּב"ה וּבְמֵאמָרוֹ, כִּיּוֹנָה הַמְרַחֶפֶת עַל הַקּוֹן, אֲקוּב"טִיר בְּלַע"ז:

וְרוּחַ אֱלֹהִים מְרַחֶפֶת AND THE SPIRIT OF GOD WAS HOVERING —

The throne of Divine Glory was standing in space, hovering over the face of the waters by the breath of the mouth of the Holy One, blessed be He, and by His command, even as a dove hovers over its nest. In old French acoveter.

Where have we heard about
'The Spirit Like a Dove?'

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[John 1:32](#) And John bare record, saying,

I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a **dove**,
and it abode upon him.

The 'Spirit' Connected to Water Imagery.

25 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.

26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

([Ezekiel 36:25-27](#)).

The 'Spirit' Connected to Water Imagery.

The Pouring of Water at the Feast of Tabernacles

At the Feast of Tabernacles, or Booths, the priest would pour water next to the altar as the final ritual of this feast. This event looked forward to the time the Messiah would come. Zechariah wrote of that great day when Messiah would come.

https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/stewart_don/faq/the-identity-of-the-holy-spirit/24-why-is-the-holy-spirit-compared-to-water.cfm

The 'Spirit' Connected to Water Imagery.

Jesus Gives Life-giving Water to Those Who Believe

But those who drink the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life ([John 4:14](#)).

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The 'Spirit' Connected to Water Imagery.

Ezekiel 47:1-12—Water FLOWING from the Temple

47 Then he brought me back to the door of the temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east).

The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar. ² Then he brought me out by way of the north gate and led me around on the outside to the outer gate that faces toward the east; and behold, the water was trickling out on the south side.

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ezekiel%2047%3A1-12&version=ESV>

The 'Spirit' Connected to Water Imagery.

Ezekiel 47:1-12—Water FLOWING from the Temple

47 ³ Going on eastward with a measuring line in his hand, the man measured a thousand cubits, ^[a] and then led me through the water, and it was ankle-deep. ⁴ Again he measured a thousand, and led me through the water, and it was knee-deep. Again he measured a thousand, and led me through the water, and it was waist-deep. ⁵ Again he measured a thousand, and it was a river that I could not pass through, for the water had risen. It was deep enough to swim in, a river that could not be passed through. ⁶ And he said to me, “Son of man, have you seen this?”

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John 1

- 1 **In the beginning** was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
- 2 The same was
- 3 **in the beginning with God.**
- 3 All things were made **by him**;
And without him was not any thing
made that was made.
- 4 In him was life.
and the life was the light of men.
- 5 And the **light shineth** in **darkness.**
And the **darkness** comprehended it not.

Notice John's use of 1-Chiasm, 4&5-Staircase Parallelism

Genesis

- 1 **In the beginning God** created the heaven and
the earth.
- 2 And the earth was without form, and void.
And darkness was upon the face of the deep.
- And the **Spirit of God** moved upon the face of
the waters.
- 3 And God said, Let there be light.
And there was light.
- 4 And God saw the light that it was good.
And God divided the light from the
darkness.

John 1

Notice Parallel Idea:

Those who LOVE THE LIGHT
COME TO THE LIGHT

THOSE WHO HATE THE LIGHT
REMAIN IN DARKNESS AND DO NOT
UNDERSTAND.

Genesis 1

What Is Represented in Genesis 1:1-3

God the Creator

His Spirit that Gives Life

The LIGHT. (WHO WAS THE LIGHT?)=
THE WORD WAS THE SON.

THE SON WAS THE WORD.

THE WORD WAS THE LIGHT MADE FLESH
(PHYSICAL)

ELOHIM: THE CREATOR OF LIFE AND
LIGHT AND JUDGE.

Aleph-Tov 'LIGHT'

Genesis Chapter 1 בְּרֵאשִׁית

א בְּרֵאשִׁית, בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים, אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ. 1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

ב וְהָאָרֶץ, הָיְתָה תְהוֹמוֹ וְרֵקָה, וְחֹשֶׁךְ, עַל-פְּנֵי תְהוֹמוֹ;
וְרוּחַ אֱלֹהִים, מְרַקְדָּת עַל-פְּנֵי הַמָּיִם. 2 Now the earth was unformed and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the spirit of God hovered over the face of the waters.

ג וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים, יְהִי אֹר; וַיְהִי-אֹר. 3 And God said: 'Let there be light.' And there was light.

ד וַיִּרְא אֱלֹהִים אֶת-הָאֹר, כִּי-טוֹב; וַיַּבְדֵּל אֱלֹהִים, בֵּין
הָאֹר וּבֵין הַחֹשֶׁךְ. 4 And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness.

Aleph Tov Light—Implies ‘Eternal/Everlasting Light’

Phrase ‘Everlasting Light’ only appears in Book of Mormon

[Alma 12:134](#)

Yea, this **light** had infused such joy into his soul,
the cloud of darkness having been dispelled
And the **light** of **everlasting light** was lit up in his soul,

[Alma 14:95](#) Yea, they were encircled about
with **everlasting darkness** and destruction,
But behold, He hath brought them into His **everlasting light**,
yea, into **everlasting** salvation.
And they are encircled about with the matchless bounty of His love.

HEBREW WORD FOR LIGHT='OR'

The LIGHT SHINED IN THE DARKNESS.

WAS THE SAME HEBREW WORD 'OR' FOR LIGHT ALSO
MEANS 'SKIN.'

SOME TODAY MAKE IT POLITICALLY INCORRECT

BLESSING OF NEPHITES=WHITE SKIN

CURSING OF LAMANITES=BLACK SKIN

BUT IF 'SKIN' MEANT 'LIGHT' IN HEBREW ALSO MEANT

NEPHITES- BLESSED, BESTOWED LIGHT AND TRUTH

LAMANITES- CURSED, REMOVED LIGHT AND TRUTH.

Genesis 1

1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

4 And God saw the light, that it was good:
and God divided the light from the darkness.

5 And God called the light Day,
and the darkness he called Night.
And the evening and the morning were the first day.

Compare Genesis 1 with Lehi's Vision:

ALL OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE GENESIS CREATION ACCOUNT
SYMBOLIZED IN LEHI'S VISION

1 Nephi 2

43 But behold, Laman and Lemuel, I fear exceedingly because of you; for behold, methought I saw in my dream a dark and dreary wilderness.

RASHI explains the GOD OF CREATION WAS THE GOD OF JUSTICE. LEHI IS EXPERIENCING JUSTICE.

1 Nephi 2

44 And it came to pass that I saw a man,
and he was dressed in a white robe;
and he came and stood before me.

1 Nephi 2

45 And it came to pass that he spake unto me, and bade me follow him.

1 Nephi 2

46 And it came to pass that as I followed him,
I beheld myself that I was in a dark and dreary waste.

1 Nephi 2

47 And after I had traveled for the space of many hours in darkness

I began to pray unto the Lord,
that he would have mercy on me
according to the multitude of his tender mercies.

DARKNESS

PRAYS FOR MERCY

1 Nephi 2

48 And it came to pass after
I had prayed unto the Lord,
I beheld a large and spacious field.

FIELD

1 Nephi 2

49 And it came to pass that I beheld a tree, whose fruit was desirable to make one happy.

FIELD, TREE

1 Nephi 2

50 And it came to pass that I did go forth and partake of the fruit thereof; and I beheld that it was most sweet above all that I ever before tasted.

FIELD, TREE, FRUIT.
SWEET ABOVE ALL.

1 Nephi 2

51 Yea, and I beheld that the fruit thereof was white,
to exceed all the whiteness that I had ever seen.

FIELD, TREE, FRUIT.

SWEET ABOVE ALL. WHITE ABOVE ALL.

1 Nephi 2

52 And as I partook of the fruit thereof, it filled my soul with exceeding great joy;

FIELD, TREE, FRUIT.

FRUIT FILLS SOUL WITH JOY.

1 Nephi 2

53 Wherefore I began to be desirous that my family should partake of it also; for I knew that it was desirable above all other fruit.

1 Nephi 2

54 And as I cast my eyes round about, that perhaps I might discover my family also, I beheld a river of water; and it ran along, and it was near the tree of which I was partaking the fruit.

FIELD, TREE, FRUIT.
RIVER. RAN BY TREE.

ADD JEFF BENNER HEAD OF RIVER.

1 Nephi 2

55 And I looked to behold from whence it came; and I saw the head thereof a little way off;

FIELD, TREE, FRUIT.

RIVER. RAN BY TREE. SEES 'HEAD' OF THE RIVER.

Symbols:

FIELD= WORLD

TREE= GOD'S MERCY

FRUIT= GODS LOVE AS SAVATION.

RIVER= GOD'S SPIRIT, GIVES LIFE TO THE FIELD
(WORLD). RAN BY TREE.

HEAD OF RIVER=ELOHIM (GENESIS 1).

MEANS GOD AS THE BEGINNING OF ALL.

1 Nephi 2

56 And at the head thereof I beheld your mother Sariah, and Sam, and Nephi; and they stood as if they knew not whither they should go.

1 Nephi 2

57 And it came to pass that I beckoned unto them; and I also did say unto them with a loud voice that they should come unto me and partake of the fruit, which was desirable above all other fruit.

1 Nephi 2

58 And it came to pass that they did come unto me, and partake of the fruit also.

1 Nephi 2

59 And it came to pass that I was desirous that Laman and Lemuel should come and partake of the fruit also;

1 Nephi 2

60 Wherefore, I cast mine eyes towards the head of the river, that perhaps I might see them.

1 Nephi 2

61 And it came to pass that I saw them, but they would not come unto me, and partake of the fruit.

1 Nephi 2

62 And I beheld a rod of iron; and it extended along the bank of the river, and led to the tree by which I stood.

1 Nephi 2

63 And I also beheld a straight and narrow path, which came along by the rod of iron, even to the tree by which I stood;

1 Nephi 2

64 And it also led by the head of the fountain unto a large and spacious field, as if it had been a world;

1 Nephi 2

65 And I saw numberless concourses of people, many of whom were pressing forward, that they might obtain the path which led unto the tree by which I stood.

1 Nephi 2

66 And it came to pass that they did come forth and commence in the path which led to the tree.

1 Nephi 2

67 And it came to pass that there arose a mist of darkness; yea, even an exceeding great mist of darkness, insomuch that they who had commenced in the path did lose their way, that they wandered off and were lost.

1 Nephi 2

68 And it came to pass that I beheld others pressing forward, and they came forth and caught hold of the end of the rod of iron;

1 Nephi 2

69 And they did press forward through the mist of darkness, clinging to the rod of iron, even until they did come forth and partake of the fruit of the tree.

1 Nephi 2

70 And after they had partaken of the fruit of the tree they did cast their eyes about as if they were ashamed.

1 Nephi 2

71 And I also cast my eyes round about, and beheld on the other side of the river of water a great and spacious building;

1 Nephi 2

72 And it stood as it were in the air, high above the earth;

1 Nephi 2

73 And it was filled with people, both old and young,
both male and female;

1 Nephi 2

74 And their manner of dress was exceeding fine;

1 Nephi 2

75 And they were in the attitude of mocking and pointing their fingers towards those who had come at, and were partaking of the fruit.

1 Nephi 2

76 And after they had tasted of the fruit they were ashamed, because of those that were scoffing at them; and they fell away into forbidden paths and were lost.

1 Nephi 2

77 And now I, Nephi, do not speak all the words of my father.

1 Nephi 2

78 But, to be short in writing, behold, he saw other multitudes pressing forward; and they came and caught hold of the end of the rod of iron; and they did press their way forward, continually holding fast to the rod of iron, until they came forth and fell down and partook of the fruit of the tree.

1 Nephi 2

79 And he also saw other multitudes feeling their way towards that great and spacious building.

1 Nephi 2

80 And it came to pass that many were drowned in the depths of the fountain;

1 Nephi 2

81 And many were lost from his view, wandering in strange roads.

1 Nephi 2

82 And great was the multitude that did enter into that strange building.

1 Nephi 2

83 And after they did enter into that building they did point the finger of scorn at me, and those that were partaking of the fruit also; but we heeded them not.

1 Nephi 2

84 These are the words of my father: For as many as heeded them, had fallen away.

1 Nephi 2

85 And Laman and Lemuel partook not of the fruit,
said my father.

1 Nephi 2

86 And it came to pass after my father had spoken all the words of his dream or vision, which were many, he said unto us, because of these things which he saw in a vision, he exceedingly feared for Laman and Lemuel;

1 Nephi 2

87 Yea, he feared lest they should be cast off from the presence of the Lord;

1 Nephi 2

88 And he did exhort them then with all the feeling of a tender parent, that they would hearken to his words, that, perhaps the Lord would be merciful to them, and not cast them off;

1 Nephi 2

89 Yea, my father did preach unto them.

Lehi's Vision Summary

Begins with Lehi Experiencing.....

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- Person in White Robe
- Begs for Mercy
- Freed from the darkness

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Who shares this same description??

Alma Jr.

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The plan of redemption unfolding. In the grasp of justice until we call for mercy.

Lehi sees....

Darkness-the plight of all humanity

Salvation--

Lehi finds the tree first. Calls to others

Lehi sees:

- The Beginning of a river (God—judgement)
- The River (life to the field) Spirit connected to water
- The rod (The connection from the field to the tree Period and a path paralleled it and it paralleled water.)
- It was the connection between the field and the tree (The Word made Flesh becomes the connection of the world and salvation.)
- The path (walking in the way)
- The field (the world)
- The filthiness of the river (judgment)
- The mercy (explained by NEPHI in His vision)
- The tree (God's love to offer salvation—sweet above all that is sweet, white above all that is white).

Nephi's Final words explain all of Lehi's first words.

- Final chapters explain the meaning of it all
 - The word. But MORE than just your three in one. This is holding onto the word made flesh. The Connection between heaven and earth.
 - The Spirit
 - The way
 - The gate (latching hold of the rod of iron)

Nephi's Vision adds something important

- The commandment to testify of this thing was.....JESUS.
- BUT...
- NEPHI is shown to understand the MERCY OF GOD.
- NEPHI IS SHOWN HOW GOD WOULD BECOME THE CONNECTION BETWEEN HEAVEN AND EARTH.
- LEHI IS SHOWN SALVATION AND THE JUDGEMENT OF GOD.

How did God become the Connection to Earth? Nephi sees his BIRTH.

54 And it came to pass that I saw the heavens open and an angel came down and stood before me; And he saith unto me: "Nephi, what beholdest thou?"

55 And I saith unto him: "A virgin most beautiful and fair above all other virgins."

56 And he saith unto me: "Knowest thou the Condescension of God?"

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1 Nephi 3:62

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And the angel said unto me,
Behold the Lamb of God, yea,
even the Son of the **Eternal**
Father!

Verse Differences

And the angel said unto me
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the **Son** **of** **the** Eternal Father

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Father

Nephi sees The Creator Judged of (by) the world

1 Nephi 3:86

And it came to pass that the angel spake unto me again, saying:
"Look!"

And I looked and beheld the Lamb of God,
that He was taken by the people.

Yea, the Everlasting God was judged of the world;

And I saw and bear record;

Alma 8

93 Now Zeezrom saith again unto him:
Is the Son of God the Very Eternal Father?

Genesis 1:

Earth and Heavens
הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ



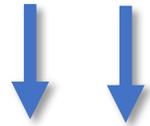
Aleph Tov

'ALL CREATION'

(Like from A to Z)

Genesis 1:

Earth and Heavens
הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ



Aleph Tov “Means Connection
and/or Man”

GOD ON THE CROSS AS MAN would
be THE CONNECTION

between HEAVEN and EARTH

Alma 8

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Aleph Tov
All Creation

“Connection/
Man”

GOD would be THE CONNECTION
between HEAVEN and EARTH

Alma 8

95 He is
the **beginning and the end**,
the first and the last;

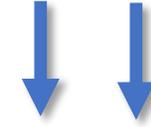
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=Beginning and the End

=Alpha and Omega

Genesis 1:

Earth and Heavens
הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ



Aleph Tov

**“Connection
or MAN”**

GOD would be THE FLESH
CONNECTION

between HEAVEN and EARTH

Alma 8

96

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

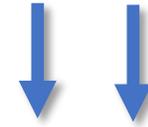
And He shall take upon Him the transgressions of those who believe on His name,

And these are they that shall have eternal life; And salvation cometh to none else.

Genesis 1:

Earth and Heavens

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Aleph Tov “Connection”

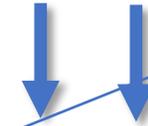
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Mosiah 1:97

..the time cometh and is not far distant, that with power the Lord Omnipotent who reigneth, which was and is from all eternity to all eternity, Shall come down from heaven among the children of men, And shall dwell in a tabernacle of clay,

Genesis 1:

Earth and Heavens
הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ



God on Cross “Man”

GOD (Beginning and the End)
would be THE CONNECTION
between HEAVEN and EARTH

Earth and Heavens Elohim Created In Beginning

בְּרֵאשִׁית, בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים, אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ

God, Cross,
Man

All Eternity/
Creation

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Mosiah 1

102 'And He shall **be called Jesus Christ, the Son of God,**
the Father of heaven and of earth, the Creator of all things from the beginning;
And His mother shall be called Mary;

103 And lo, He cometh unto His own that salvation might come unto the children of men,
even through faith on His name.

104 'And even after all this, they shall consider Him as a man and say that He hath a devil,
And shall scourge Him and shall crucify Him,

Nauvoo Era Incorrect Understandings led to False Teachings

Elohim—'Gods'

False teaching in Nauvoo...

Council of many Gods...

Truth

God of Justice—Singular God of many powers.

All the other names (Adonai, el Shaddai, etc) were also plural.

Nauvoo Era Incorrect Understandings led to False Teachings

Resh—'Head'

False teaching in Nauvoo...

Head of many Gods...

Truth

Head meant 'like the beginning of a river'

Was Either The God or A God.

- Because says 'with' the father in the beginning.

Jehova witness video

- Min 48-49. A God or The God.
- Refers to LDS 'becoming gods' Min 54

Why did they rage?

- At Jesus—I AM?
- At Abinadi
- Zeezrom at Amulek?
-and Stephen???

Stephen

- Seeing on the right hand of the Father.....
- What did this mean?
- This wasn't a vision of two personages...
- This was a Hebrew expression.
- On the right hand meant had full blessing, power and authority.
- If it meant only 'God approved' of him, they wouldn't have raged.
- BUT THEY RAGED. WHY?
- BECAUSE HIS LAST WORDS was saying Jesus WAS God.

Stephen—Acts 7 Context

- Stephen is calling them out for historically worshipping other (idol) Gods.
- And then says their forefathers ‘stoned the prophets’ when they were called out for this.
- Then says the temple built by man could not be his home.
- Then says Moses prophesied of the “Just One”
- THIS JUST ONE WOULD BE THE TEMPLE OF GOD.
- THIS ONE WHO THEY CRUCIFIED WAS THE TEMPLE OF GOD.
- WHEN HE SAYS ON THE RIGHT HAND it was a symbol used through out scripture. MEANING MORE THAN HE HAD THE FULL POWER AND BLESSING OF GOD, BUT THAT HE WAS GOD.

Stephen—Acts 7 Context

43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.

44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking unto Moses, that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen.

45 Which also our fathers that came after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the Gentiles, whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David;

46 Who found favour before God, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.

47 But Solomon built him an house.

48 Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet,

49 Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?

50 Hath not my hand made all these things?

51 Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye.

52 Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers:

53 Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept it.

54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth.

55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,

58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.

59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

Incorrect Translations....

The Fall of Man...

- Foundation of the world.
- Can mean the beginning, but this was used in English translations loosely, not always differentiating the 'beginning' of all from the time that men 'fell from God.'
- NOTICE THE BOOK OF MORMON uses 'FALL OF MAN' in parallel with FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD.

Mosiah 8:5

And moreover,

I say unto you that salvation doth not come by the law alone;

And were it not for **the atonement which God Himself shall make**

for the sins and iniquities of His people,

that they must unavoidably perish, notwithstanding the law of Moses.

Abinadi...

Mosiah 8:13 Have they not said **that God Himself should come down among** the children of men and take upon Him the form of man and go forth in mighty power upon the face of the earth?

Mosiah 8:28 And now Abinadi saith unto them: "I would that ye should understand **that God Himself shall come down among** the children of men and shall redeem His people;

29 **And because He dwelleth in flesh, He shall be called the Son of God;**

The VERY ETERNAL Father

Mosiah 8:31 And They are one God,
yea, the Very Eternal Father of heaven and of earth

Mosiah 8:91 Teach them that **redemption cometh through Christ the Lord, which is the Very Eternal Father.** Amen.”

Alma 8:93-94

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Is the Son of God The Very Eternal Father?”

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“Yea, He **is the Very Eternal Father of heaven and of earth**
and all things which in them is;

Killing Abinadi Justified Because why??

Mosiah 9:10-11

And he said unto him: "Abinadi, we have found an accusation against thee and thou art worthy of death,

For thou hast said that God Himself should come down among the children of men;

Killing Abinadi, Stephen, Jesus Because...

They all said that JESUS WAS THE GOD.

NOT "A" GOD.

Which Ancient American Writers Said Jesus 'was the Very Eternal God?'

2 Nephi 1:23

Behold, I say, If the day shall come that they will reject the Holy One of Israel, the true Messiah, their Redeemer and their God,

behold, the judgments of him that is just shall rest upon them;

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2 Nephi 11:21

....and when the day cometh that

the Only Begotten of the Father,

yea, **even the Father of heaven and of earth
shall manifest himself unto them in the flesh,**

behold, they will reject him, ...

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[2 Nephi 5:40](#) And they shall know that the Lord is God, the Holy One of Israel:

[2 Nephi 5:24](#) And He also hath shown unto me that the Lord God,
the Holy One of Israel, should manifest Himself unto them in the flesh;

[2 Nephi 6:10](#) 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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Mosiah 1:102

And He shall be called Jesus Christ The Son of God.

The Father of heaven and of earth.

The Creator of all things from the beginning.

And His mother shall be called Mary;

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Title Page 1:7

...to the convincing of the Jew and Gentile
that **Jesus is the Christ,**
the Eternal God,
manifesting himself unto all nations.

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Ether 1:77

Behold, I am he who was prepared
from the foundation of the world to redeem my people.

Behold, I am Jesus Christ.

I am the Father and the Son.

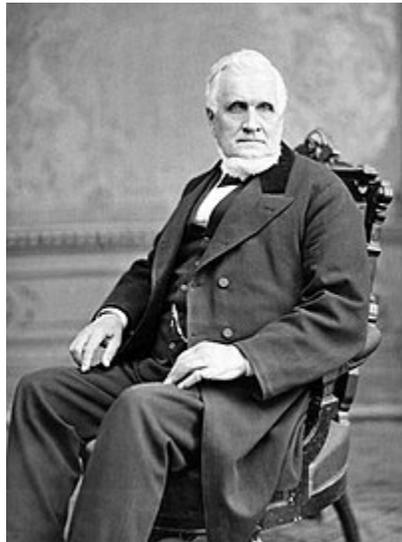
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1844 Nauvoo.....King Follett Sermon

Supposed introduction of Plurality of Gods in Creation (although not historically accurate). 'Witnesses' testimonies by 4 men attending funeral service for King Follett, testify of Statements of Joseph Smith.

Premise seems to hinge on interpretation of Hebrew Genesis 1.

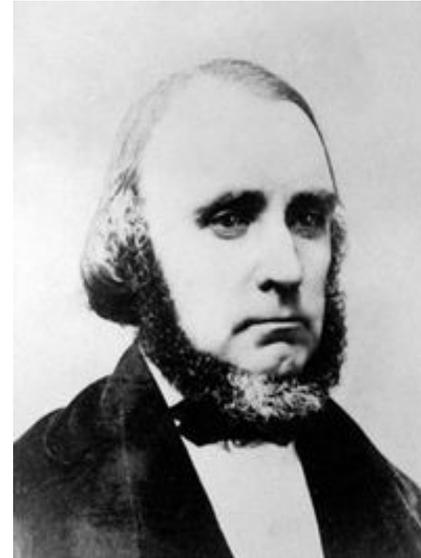
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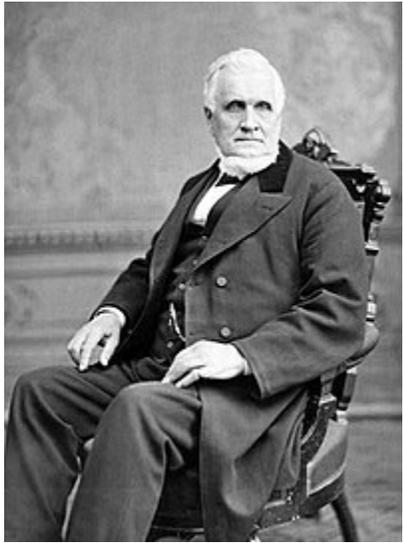


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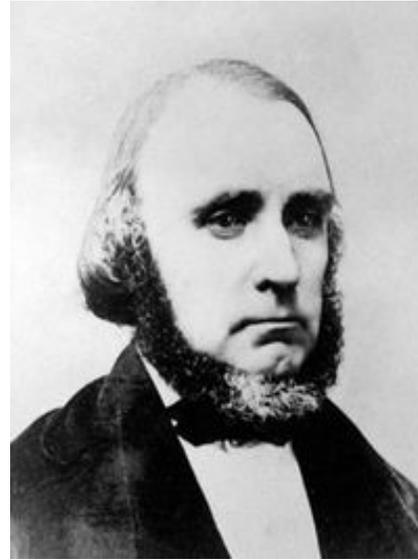
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...All Nauvoo Polygamists...

Brigham Young.....

“I will make a comment on the very first sentence of the history of in the Bible, **Berosheit**.

I want to analyze the word; baith, in, by, through, in, and every thing else.

Rosh, the head.

Sheit, gramatical [grammatical] termination.

When the inspired man wrote it, he did not put the baith there. A man, a Jew without any authority, thought it too bad to begin to talk about the head.

It read first, **'The head one of the Gods brought forth the Gods,'** that is the true meaning of the words.

Baurau, signifies to bring forth. If you do not believe it, you do not believe the learned man of God. No man can learn you more than what I have told you.

Thus the head of God brought forth the Gods in the grand council. I will simplify it in the English language.”

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[Source: Times and Seasons Vol. 5 Chapter 15 Page: 614](#)

Brigham Young.....

“... first **Baith** (which was added by the Jews,) would read:-**Rosheit** (the head) **baurau**, (brought forth,)

Eloheim (the Gods) ate (with) hah-shau-mahyiem (the heavens)
veh-ate, (and with) hauaurates, (the earth.) In simple English.

“The Head brought forth the Gods, with the heavens and with the earth. “

The 'Head' must have meant the 'living God,' or Head God: Christ is our head.

The term 'Eloheim,' plural of Elohah, or ale, is used alike in the first chapter of Genesis, for the creation, and the quotation of Satan....The Hebrew reads so.

Brigham Young.....

“The grand counsellors [counselors] sat in yonder heavens, and contemplated the creation of the worlds that were created at that time”

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The Problem...

“You have got to learn how to be Gods yourselves; to be kings and priests to God, the same as all gods have done; by going from a small degree to another, from grace to grace, from exaltation to exaltation, until you are able to sit in glory as doth those who sit enthroned in everlasting power;”

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The Problem...

...while this earth was one dark chaotic mass, before God said "let there be light, and it was so," or ever this world rolled into existence, or the morning stars sung together for joy a plan was formed in the councils of heaven,

it was contemplated by the great Author of our existence, Eloheim [Elohim], Jehovah, to redeem the earth from under the curse. Hence when the Gods deliberated about the formation of man, it was known that he would fall ...

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The Problem...

'Their Father's name,' bless me! that is GOD!

Well done for Mormonism; one hundred and forty four thousand GODS, among the tribes of Israel, and, two living Gods and the Holy Ghost, for this world!

Such knowledge is too wonderful for men, unless they possess the spirit of Gods.

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The Problem...

„the servants of God, the innumerable multitude,
are crowned, and, are perfect men and women in the Lord,
one in glory, one in knowledge, and one in image: they are like Christ, and he is like God:

then, O, then, they are all 'Living Gods,'

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The Problem...

Thou art the Son of the living God, meaning our Father in heaven, who is the Father of all spirits, and who with Jesus Christ, his first begotten son, and the Holy Ghost, are one in power, one in dominion, and one in glory, constituting the first presidency of this system, and this eternity.

But they are as much three distinct persons as the sun, moon, and earth are three different bodies.

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The Problem...

Without going into the full investigation of the history and excellency of God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, in this article,

let us reflect that Jesus Christ, as Lord of Lords, and king of kings, must have a noble race in the heavens, or upon the earth, or else he can never BE as great in power, dominion, might, and authority as the scriptures declare.

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I should not have brought it up only to show that I am right

"The Next President"

Source: Times and Seasons Vol. 5 Chapter 15 Page: 615 (Brigham Young, August 1844)

Who used the phrase 'One God'?

[1 Nephi 3:197](#) For there is **one God and one Shepherd** over all the earth;

[2 Nephi 13:32](#) And now behold, this is the doctrine of Christ, And the only and true doctrine of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, **which is one God without end**. Amen.

Who used the phrase 'One God'?

Mosiah 8:31 And They are **one God**, yea, the Very Eternal Father of heaven and of earth –

Mosiah 8:32 And thus the flesh becoming subject to the Spirit, or the Son to the Father, being one God, suffereth temptation and yieldeth not to the temptation, But suffereth Himself to be mocked and scourged and cast out and disowned by His people.

Who used the phrase 'One God'?

Alma 8:81-82

Now Zeezrom saith: "**Is there more than one God?**"

And he answered: "No."

Alma 8:89 Now Zeezrom saith unto the people:

See that ye remember these things, for he saith there is but one God;

Yet he saith that the Son of God shall come, but He shall not save His people,

as though he had authority to command God."

Who used the phrase 'One God'?

[Alma 16:174](#) Now after Alma had spoken these words, they sent forth unto him desiring to know **whether they should believe in one God, that they might obtain this fruit of which he had spoken**, Or how they should plant the seed, or the word of which he had spoken, which he said must be planted in their hearts, Or in what manner they should begin to exercise their faith.

[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.