

# WHAT DOES THE BOOK OF MORMON TEACH?

Class 11

## The Final Prophecy

# Order

- Quiz
- 3 Nephi 10
- Ether 6
- 1 Nephi 3
- Jacob 3

## Quiz: Who Made the Covenant?

God Promised this man His Posterity would not perish from the earth, but remain unto the end time.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who is Joseph!

**2 Nephi 11:40** Wherefore, for this cause hath the Lord God promised unto me that these things which I write shall be kept and preserved and handed down unto my seed from generation to generation: **That the promise may be fulfilled unto Joseph that his seed should never perish as long as the earth should stand.**

## Quiz: Who Made the Covenant?

God Promised this man the choicest land above all lands would be covenanted with him and his descendants.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who is Lehi!

**2 Nephi 1:6** "But, " said he, "notwithstanding our afflictions, we have obtained a Land of Promise, a land which is choice above all other lands,

7 A land which the **Lord God hath covenanted with me should be a land for the inheritance of my seed;**

8 **Yea, the Lord hath consecrated this land unto me and to my children forever,**

9 And also all they which should be led out of other countries by the hand of the Lord.

Quiz: Who Made the Covenant?

God Promised this man a New Jerusalem.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who is Jacob!

3 Nephi 9:58 And behold,

this people will I establish in this land,

**unto the fulfilling of the covenant which I made with your father Jacob.**

And it shall be a New Jerusalem.



## Quiz: Who Made the Covenant?

God covenanted with this people they would be regathered and be permanently restored to a knowledge of Jesus.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who are The House of Jacob!

### 3 Nephi 2:

107 And as surely as the Lord liveth will He gather in  
from the four quarters of the earth all the remnant  
of the seed of Jacob which are scattered abroad  
upon all the face of the earth.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who are The House of Jacob!

3 Nephi 2:108

And as He hath **covenanted** with all the house of Jacob,

Even so shall the **covenant**

wherewith He hath **covenanted**

with the house of Jacob

be fulfilled in His own due time.

Unto the restoring all the house of Jacob

unto the knowledge of the **covenant**

that He hath **covenanted** with them.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who are The House of Jacob!

### 3 Nephi 2:

109 And then shall they know their Redeemer,  
which is Jesus Christ the Son of God;

And then shall they be gathered in from the four quarters of the earth unto their own lands, from whence they have been dispersed.

Yea, as the Lord liveth, so shall it be! Amen.

## Quiz: Who Made the Covenant?

God covenanted with this man that his scattered posterity would eventually be gathered and united eye-to-eye in Old and New Jerusalem.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who is Abraham!

### Ether 6:12

And they are they which were scattered and gathered in from the four quarters of the earth and from the North Countries, And are partakers of the fulfilling of the covenant which God made with their father Abraham.

13 And when these things come bringeth to pass the scripture which saith, "There are they which were first, which shall be last, And there are they which were last, which shall be first."

## Quiz: Who Made the Covenant?

God covenanted with Abraham that these people would be blessed by the Holy Ghost and Numbered among the House of Joseph in the blessing of Zion.

# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who are the Gentiles!

**3 Nephi 9:65** "And after that ye were blessed, then **fulfilleth the Father the covenant which He made with Abraham saying: ' In thy Seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed, ' Unto the pouring out of the Holy Ghost through Me upon the Gentiles, Which blessing upon the Gentiles shall make them mighty above all,** Unto the scattering of My people, O house of Israel; And they shall be a scourge unto the people of this land.



# Answer: Who Made the Covenant?

## Who are the Gentiles!

**1 Nephi 3:201** "And it shall come to pass that if the Gentiles shall hearken unto the Lamb of God in that day that He shall manifest Himself unto them in word and also in power, in very deed, Unto the taking away of their stumbling blocks, if it so be that they harden not their hearts against the Lamb, **And if it so be that they harden not their hearts against the Lamb of God, they shall be numbered among the seed of thy father,**

**1 Nephi 3:202** Yea, they shall be **numbered among the house of Israel;**

**2 Nephi 7:29** Wherefore, **the Gentiles shall be blessed and numbered among the house of Israel.**

Zion is when...

**'..The Savior cannot come until the Scriptures are fulfilled which He declares must be fulfilled before He comes.'**

**(The Last Generation, J.J. Cornish, March 1, 1919)**

**<http://restorationbookstore.org/articles/doctrine/lastgeneration.htm>**

# The Process of Gospel Return to Israel

**What is 'Grafting?'**

# The Process of Gospel Return to Israel

**Grafting is coming (back) to a knowledge of Christ**

# The Process of Gospel Return to Israel

**1 Nephi 4:16** "And now the thing which our father meaneth concerning **the grafting in of the natural branches through the fullness of the Gentiles** is that in the latter days when our seed shall have dwindled in unbelief,

Yea, for the space of many years and many generations after that the Messiah hath manifested Himself in body unto the children of men,

(1) **Then shall the fullness of the gospel of the Messiah come unto the Gentiles,**

(2) **And from the Gentiles unto the remnant of our seed.**

# The Process of Gospel Return to Israel

## 1 Nephi 4

17 "And at that day shall the remnant of our seed know that they are of the house of Israel, and that they are the covenant people of the Lord;

18 And then shall they know and come to the knowledge of their forefathers, And also to the knowledge of the gospel of their Redeemer which was ministered unto their fathers by Him;

19 Wherefore, they shall come to the knowledge of their Redeemer and the very points of His doctrine, that they may know how to come unto Him and be saved.

# The Process of Gospel Return to Israel

## 1 Nephi 4

21 Yea, at that day will they not receive strength and nourishment from the True Vine?

22 Yea, will they not come unto the true fold of God?

23 "Behold, I say unto you, Yea; They shall be numbered again among the house of Israel;

24 They shall be grafted in, being a natural branch of the olive tree, into the true olive tree.

25 "And this is what our father meaneth.

# The Process of Gospel Return to Israel

## 1 Nephi 4

26 "And he meaneth that it will not come to pass until after that they are scattered by the Gentiles;

27 And he meaneth that it shall come by way of the Gentiles, that the Lord may show His power unto the Gentiles for the very cause that He shall be rejected of the Jews, or of the house of Israel.

28 "Wherefore, our father hath not spoken of our seed alone, but also of all the house of Israel, pointing to the covenant which should be fulfilled in the latter days,

29 Which covenant the Lord made to our father Abraham, saying: ' In thy Seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. '"



# The Chiasms of Jesus' Message

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|---|--------------------|
| 1. Jesus is the Creator   | 1. 3 Nephi 7:10-11 |
| 2. The Prophets Testify, Covenant of Joseph's Land                          | 2. 3 Nephi 7:12-14 |
| 3. Scattered Sheep  | 3. 3 Nephi 7:15-27 |
| A. Israel/Remnant Regathered/Brought To Christ                              | A. 3 Nephi 7:28-29 |
| B. Judgement Upon the Gentiles  | B. 3 Nephi 7:30-35 |
| C. Covenant with Israel Will remember/fulfill                               | C. 3 Nephi 7:36    |
| D. Adversaries will have no Power over God's People                         | D. 3 Nephi 7:37-38 |
| E. Joseph as Lion among Gentiles  | E. 3 Nephi 7:39    |
| F. Gentiles Sin and Judgement   | F. 3 Nephi 7:40-41 |
| G. This Land is Joseph's Inheritance  | G. 3 Nephi 7:42    |
| H. Covenant Fulfilled   | H. 3 Nephi 7:43    |
| I. Isaiah Quoted  | I. 3 Nephi 7:44-45 |
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| >>(Center of Chiasm A-I) Living in the Presence of Jesus                    | 3 Nephi 8:10-9:44  |
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| I'. Isaiah Quoted   | I. 3 Nephi 9:47    |
| H'. Covenant Fulfilled  | H. 3 Nephi 9:48-49 |
| G'. This Land is Joseph's Inheritance                                       | G. 3 Nephi 9:50    |
| F'. Gentiles Sin and Judgement  | F. 3 Nephi 9:51    |
| E'. Joseph as Lion among Gentiles   | E. 3 Nephi 9:52    |
| D'. Adversaries will have no Power over God's People                        | D. 3 Nephi 9:53    |
| C'. Covenant with Israel to Re-Gather Them                                  | C. 3 Nephi 9:54    |
| B'. Judgement Upon the Gentiles   | B. 3 Nephi 9:55-56 |
| A'. Scattered Sheep Gathered--Israel/Remnant Brought To Knowledge of Christ | A. 3 Nephi 9:57    |

# The Chiasms of Jesus' Message

## 4. >>Chiastic Center of 1-3 The Covenant Fulfilled In the New Jerusalem

- K. Power of Heaven Shall Come Down to Gather His People
- L. Jesus Reveals Himself
- M. Repentance of Iniquity, Turning to Jesus
- N. Judgement on Gentiles
- O. Promise of The Covenant Remembered
- P. The Gospel to Go Forth to Remnant—it is a Sign unto Them
- Q. House of Israel to Inhabit Jerusalem Again
- R. Father Makes His Power Known to the World
- S. Isaiah's Words Fulfilled

### >>Center of Chiasm (K-S) Israel Will Know Jesus

- S'. Isaiah's Words Fulfilled
- R'. Father Makes His Power Known to the World
- Q'. House of Israel to Inhabit Jerusalem Again
- P'. The Gospel to Go Forth to Remnant—it is a Sign unto Them
- O'. Rebellious Cut off from The Covenant
- N'. Judgement on Gentiles
- M'. If Gentiles Repent, Numbered Among House of Israel, Turning to Jesus
- 4'. The Covenant Fulfilled In the New Jerusalem,
  - L'. Jesus Reveals, Will Be in Midst
  - K'. Power of Heaven Shall Come Down
  - 3'. The Gathered Sheep
  - 2'. The Prophets Testify
  - 1'. Jesus is the Creator, Will be Known to the World, Words of Prophets.

- 4. 3 Nephi 9:58
- K. 3 Nephi 9:59
- L. 3 Nephi 9:60-63
- M. 3 Nephi 9:64-65
- N. 3 Nephi 9:66
- O. 3 Nephi 9:67-68
- P. 3 Nephi 9:69-70
- Q. 3 Nephi 9:71-72
- R. 3 Nephi 9:73
- S. 3 Nephi 9:74-76

### 3 Nephi 9:77

- S. 3 Nephi 9:78-82
- R. 3 Nephi 9:83-84
- Q. 3 Nephi 9:85-91
- P. 3 Nephi 9:92-97
- O. 3 Nephi 9:98
- N. 3 Nephi 9:99-106
- M. 3 Nephi 10:1
- 4. 3 Nephi 10:2-3
- L. 3 Nephi 10:4
- K. 3 Nephi 10:4
- 3. 3 Nephi 10:5-8
- 2. 3 Nephi 10:9-12
- 1. 3 Nephi 10:13-27

# The Chiasms of Jesus' Message

- T. Work to Go Forth to Gentiles, Commands Gentiles to Come to Baptism
- U. Commandment To Write Jesus' Words
- V. The Works of Jesus
- W. Wicked Cast Away from His Rest
- X. Has Given His Word to Us-- His Gospel
- Y. He Was Lifted Up and Judged by the World

>>Center of Chiasm (T-Y) We Will be Lifted up and Judged by Him of our Works

- Y'. He Was Lifted Up, Will Draw All Men Unto Him
- X'. His Gospel (His Word)
- W'. Righteous Gathered TO His Rest
- V'. The Works of Jesus Required of us
- U'. Commandment To Write Jesus Words
- T'. Message to Gentiles (to Whom Work Goes Forth), Commands Baptism

- T. 3 Nephi 10:28-31
- U. 3 Nephi 10:32-40
- V. 3 Nephi 12:22
- W. 3 Nephi 12:23-24
- X. 3 Nephi 12:25
- Y. 3 Nephi 12:26

3 Nephi 12:26

- Y. 3 Nephi 12:27-30
- X. 3 Nephi 12:31
- W. 3 Nephi 12:32-33
- V. 3 Nephi 12:34-35
- U. 3 Nephi 13:1-7
- T. 3 Nephi 14:1-3

# 3 Nephi 9

9:88 that they may know concerning this people which are a remnant of the house of Jacob, And concerning this My people which shall be scattered by them –

9:89 Verily, verily I say unto you, when these things shall be made known unto them of the Father, And shall come forth of the Father from them unto you - For it is wisdom in the Father that they should be established in this land

# 3 Nephi 9

9:90 and be set up as a free people by the power of the Father, That these things might come forth from them unto a remnant of your seed, That the covenant of the Father may be fulfilled which He hath covenanted with His people, O house of Israel –

9:91 Therefore, when these works, and the work which shall be wrought among you hereafter, shall come forth from the Gentiles unto your seed, which shall dwindle in unbelief because of iniquity -

# 3 Nephi 9

9:92 For thus it behooveth the Father that it should come forth from the Gentiles, That He may show forth His power unto the Gentiles for this cause: That the Gentiles - if they will not harden their hearts - That they may repent and come unto Me and be baptized in My name and know of the true points of My doctrine, That they may be numbered among My people, O house of Israel –

9:93 And when these things come to pass - that thy seed shall begin to know these things - It shall be a sign unto them that they may know that the work of the Father hath already commenced, Unto the fulfilling of the covenant which He hath made unto the people which are of the house of Israel.

# 3 Nephi 9

9:94 And when that day shall come, it shall come to pass that kings shall shut their mouths, For that which had not been told them, shall they see, And that which they had not heard, shall they consider;

9:95 For in that day, for My sake shall the Father work a work which shall be a great and a marvelous work among them; And there shall be among them which will not believe it, although a man shall declare it unto them.

# 3 Nephi 9

9:96 But behold, the life of My servant shall be in My hand; Therefore, they shall not hurt him, although he shall be marred because of them,

9:97 Yet I will heal him, for I will show unto them that My wisdom is greater than the cunning of the devil.



# 3 Nephi 9

9:98 Therefore, it shall come to pass that whosoever will not believe in My words - which am Jesus Christ - Which the Father shall cause him to bring forth unto the Gentiles, And shall give unto him power that he shall bring them forth unto the Gentiles - it shall be done even as Moses said - They shall be cut off from among My people which are of the covenant.

9:99 'And My people which are a remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles, Yea, in the midst of them, as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep, Who, if he go through, both treadeth down and teareth in pieces, And none can deliver.

# 3 Nephi 9

9:100 Their hand shall be lifted up upon their adversaries.  
And all their enemies shall be cut off.'

9:101 **Yea, wo be unto the Gentiles, except they repent.**  
For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Father,  
That **I will cut off thy horses** out of the midst of thee,  
And **I will destroy thy chariots,**  
And **I will cut off the cities of thy land**  
And **throw down all thy strongholds.**

# 3 Nephi 9

9:102 And I will  
cut off witchcrafts out of thy hand,  
And thou shalt have no more soothsayers.

9:103 Thy graven images I will also cut off,  
And thy standing images out of the midst of thee;  
And thou shalt no more worship the works of thy hands;

9:104 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee.

So will I destroy thy cities.

# 3 Nephi 9

9:105

And it shall come to pass that  
all lyings  
and deceivings  
and envyings  
and strifes  
and priestcrafts  
and whoredoms  
shall be done away.

9:106 For it shall come to pass, ' saith the Father, ' **that at that day, whosoever will not repent and come unto My beloved Son, Them will I cut off from among My people, O house of Israel.**

And I will execute vengeance and fury upon them, even as upon the heathen, such as they have not heard! '

# 3 Nephi 10—Continuation of Chapter 9

10:1 But if they will repent,  
and hearken unto My words,  
and harden not their hearts,  
I will establish My church among them;  
**And they shall come in unto the covenant and be numbered among  
this, the remnant of Jacob, unto whom I have given this land for  
their inheritance,**

And they shall assist My people, the remnant of Jacob,

10:2 And also as many of the house of Israel as shall come.

**That they may build a city which shall be called the New Jerusalem;**

# 3 Nephi 10

10:3 And then shall they assist My people that they may be gathered in, which are scattered upon all the face of the land, in unto the New Jerusalem;

10:4 And then shall the powers of heaven come down among them,

And I also will be in the midst;

And then shall the work of the **Father commence at that day.**

Even when this gospel shall be preached among **the remnant of this people.**

# 3 Nephi 10

10:5 Verily I say unto you, at that day shall the **work of the Father commence** among all the dispersed of My people.

Yea, even **the tribes which have been lost** which the Father hath led away out of Jerusalem –

10:6 Yea, the work shall commence among all the dispersed of My people, with the Father,  
To prepare the way whereby they may come unto Me, that they may call on the Father in My name.

# 3 Nephi 10

10:7 Yea,  
and then **shall the work commence with the Father among all nations**  
in preparing the way whereby His people may be gathered home to the land  
of their inheritance;

10:8 And they shall go out from all nations, And they shall not go out in haste  
nor go by flight; 'For I will go before them, ' saith the Father, 'And I will be their  
rearward.' And then shall that which is written come to pass:

10:9 'Sing, O barren, thou that didst not bear! Break forth into singing and cry  
aloud, thou that didst not travail with child! For more are the children of the  
desolate than the children of the married wife, ' saith the Lord.



# 3 Nephi 10

10:10 'Enlarge the place of thy tent, And let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitations; Spare not; Lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes.

10:11 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left, And thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, And make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

10:12 'Fear not, for thou shalt not be ashamed; Neither be thou confounded, for thou shalt not be put to shame; For thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, And shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood anymore.

# 3 Nephi 10

10:13 For thy Maker, thy husband, the Lord of Hosts is His name; And thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel, the God of the whole earth shall He be called;

10:14 For the Lord hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, And a wife of youth when thou wast refused, ' saith thy God.

10:15 'For a small moment have I forsaken thee, But with great mercies will I gather thee.

# 3 Nephi 10

10:16 In a little wrath I hid My face from thee for a moment;  
But with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, ' saith the Lord thy Redeemer.

10:17 'For this, the waters of Noah unto Me,  
For as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth,  
So have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee.

10:18 For the mountains shall depart,  
And the hills be removed,  
But My kindness shall not depart from thee,  
Neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, ' saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

What about keeping the Commandments and  
Enoch's City?

# Is Enoch's City the same as 'Powers of Heaven'

**3 Nephi 9:59** And the **powers of heaven** shall be in the midst of this people, Yea, even I will be in the midst of you.

**3 Nephi 10:4** And then shall the **powers of heaven** come down among them, And I also will be in the midst; And then shall the work of the Father commence at that day, even when this gospel shall be preached among the remnant of this people.

**3 Nephi 13:18** Therefore, more blessed are ye, for ye shall never taste of death, But ye shall live to behold all the doings of the Father unto the children of men, Even until all things shall be fulfilled according to the will of the Father, when I shall come in My glory with the **powers of heaven**;

# Is Enoch's City the same as the Spiritual 'New Jerusalem'?

- When does the Spiritual New Jerusalem Come?

Hypothetical Question:

Do people (do a better job) keep all the  
commandments at the Beginning of  
Millennium or at the End?

# DC/Inspired Version—suggest Enoch's City comes at Beginning of Millennium.

**Genesis 7:70** And righteousness and truth will I cause to sweep the earth as with a flood, to gather out mine own elect from the four quarters of the earth, unto a place which I shall prepare; an holy city, that my people may gird up their loins, and be looking forth for the time of my coming; for there shall be my tabernacle, and it shall be called Zion; a New Jerusalem.

71 And the Lord said unto Enoch, **Then shalt thou and all thy city meet them there;** and we will receive them into our bosom; and they shall see us, and we will fall upon their necks, and they shall fall upon our necks, and we will kiss each other;

72 And there shall be mine abode, and it shall be Zion, which shall come forth out of all the creations which I have made; and for the space of a thousand years shall the earth rest.



But...If Enoch City=Spiritual New Jerusalem,  
the Book of Mormon and Bible suggest  
Enoch's City comes at End of Millennium.

(Is this chronological?)

**Ether 6:4** Behold, Ether saw the days of Christ; And he spake concerning a **New Jerusalem** upon this land  
...8 Wherefore, the remnant of the house of Joseph shall be built up upon this land, And it shall be a land  
of their inheritance; **And they shall build up a holy city unto the Lord**, like unto the Jerusalem of old; And  
**they shall no more be confounded until the end come when the earth shall pass away;**

9 **And there shall be a new heaven and a new earth;**

And they shall be like unto the old, **save the old have passed away and all things have become new.**

**10 And then cometh the New Jerusalem;**

And blessed are they which dwell therein, For it is they whose garments are white through the blood of  
the Lamb;

And they are they which are numbered among the remnant of the seed of Joseph which were of the  
house of Israel.

But...If Enoch City=Spiritual New Jerusalem,  
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(Is this chronological?)

**Revelation 20-21:**

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

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

**12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened;**

**13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them; and they were judged every man according to their works.**

**14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.**

**15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.**

But...If Enoch City=Spiritual New Jerusalem,  
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Enoch's City comes at End of Millennium.

(Is this chronological?) **Revelation 21**

**1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.**

**2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.**

**3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying,**

**Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.**

**4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away.**

**5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write; for these words are true and faithful.**

But...If Enoch City=Spiritual New Jerusalem,  
the Book of Mormon and Bible suggest  
Enoch's City comes at End of Millennium.

(Is this chronological?) **Revelation 21**

**9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.**

**10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,**

# Or is Enoch's City not the Spiritual New Jerusalem but something else?

Comes down to whether 'keeping ALL God's commandments' is a Condition of Zion's return

OR

A Description of the condition of God's People.

If....

Enoch's City comes at New Heaven and New Earth....

Then...

It would make sense THAT is the time when MEN SHALL KEEP  
ALL GOD'S COMMANDMENTS.

## Ether 6

6:1 And now I, Moroni, proceed to finish my record concerning the destruction of the people of which I have been writing.

6:2 For behold, they rejected all the words of Ether;

For he truly told them of all things from the beginning of man.  
And how that after the waters had receded from off the face of this land, it became a choice land above all other lands,  
a chosen land of the Lord.

## Ether 6

6:3 Wherefore, the Lord would have that all men should serve Him which dwelt upon the face thereof - **And that it was the place of the New Jerusalem, which should come down out of heaven, and the holy sanctuary of the Lord. (but WHEN??)**

6:4 Behold, Ether saw the days of Christ;  
And he spake concerning **a New Jerusalem upon this land** –  
And he spake also concerning the house of Israel and the Jerusalem from whence Lehi should come.  
After that it should be destroyed, it should be built up again a holy city unto the Lord;



## Ether 6

6:5 Wherefore, it could not be a New Jerusalem, for it had been in a time of old, But it should be built up again and become a holy city of the Lord; **And it should be built up unto the house of Israel –**

6:6 **And that a New Jerusalem should be built up upon this land unto the remnant of the seed of Joseph,**  
for the which things there has been a type –  
For as Joseph brought his father down into the Land of Egypt, even so he died there;

## Ether 6

6:7 Wherefore, the Lord brought a remnant of the seed of Joseph out of the Land of Jerusalem,  
**That He might be merciful unto the seed of Joseph,**  
that they should perish not,  
Even as He was merciful unto the father of Joseph,  
that he should perish not.

6:8 **Wherefore, the remnant of the house of Joseph shall be built up upon this land,** And it shall be a land of their inheritance;  
**And they shall build up a holy city unto the Lord,** like unto the Jerusalem of old;  
And they shall no more be confounded until the end come when the earth shall pass away;

## Ether 6

**6:9 And there shall be a new heaven and a new earth;**

And they shall be like unto the old, save the old have passed away and all things have become new.

**6:10 And then cometh the New Jerusalem;**

**And blessed are they which dwell therein,**

**For it is they whose garments are white through the blood of the**

**Lamb;**

And they are they which are numbered among the remnant of the seed of Joseph which were of the house of Israel.

## Ether 6

6:11 And then also cometh the Jerusalem of old and the inhabitants thereof;

Blessed are they, for they have been washed in the blood of the Lamb;

6:12 And they are they which were scattered and gathered in from the four quarters of the earth and from the North Countries,  
And are partakers of the fulfilling of the covenant which God made with their father Abraham.

## Ether 6

6:13 And when these things come, bringeth to pass the scripture which saith, "There are they which were first, which shall be last, And there are they which were last, which shall be first."

6:14 And I was about to write more, but I am forbidden;  
But great and marvelous were the prophecies of Ether.  
But they esteemed him as naught and cast him out,  
And he hid himself in the cavity of a rock by day,  
And by night he went forth viewing the things which should come upon the people;

## Ether 6

6:15 And as he dwelt in the cavity of a rock,  
he made the remainder of this record,  
Viewing the destructions which came upon the people, by night.

# Parable of Olive Tree

- How do you know the meaning of a parable?

# Parable of Olive Tree

- Answer: You have to identify the question that prompted the parable.



# Parable of Olive Tree

- What is the question that Prompted the Parable of the Olive Tree?

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:22 But behold, the Jews were a stiff-necked people, And they despised the words of plainness and killed the prophets and sought for things that they could not understand;

3:23 Wherefore, because of their blindness, which blindness came by looking beyond the mark, they must needs fall,

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:24 For God hath taken away His plainness from them and delivered unto them many things which they cannot understand, because they desired it;

3:25 And because they desired it, God hath done it, that they may stumble.

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:26 And now I, Jacob, am led on by the Spirit unto prophesying, For I perceive by the workings of the Spirit which is in me that by the stumbling of the Jews they will reject the stone upon which they might build and have safe foundation;

3:27 But behold, according to the scriptures this stone shall become the great and the last and the only sure foundation upon which the Jews can build.

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:28 And now my beloved, how is it possible that these, after having rejected the sure foundation, can ever build upon it, that it may become the head of their corner?

3:29 Behold, my beloved brethren, I will unfold this mystery unto you, if I do not by any means get shaken from my firmness in the Spirit and stumble because of my overanxiety for you.

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:30 Behold, my brethren, do ye not remember to have read the words of the prophet Zenos which spake unto the house of Israel, saying: Hearken, O ye house of Israel, and hear the words of me, a prophet of the Lord;

3:31 For behold, thus saith the Lord: "I will liken thee, O house of Israel, like unto a tame olive tree which a man took and nourished in his vineyard, And it grew and waxed old and began to decay.

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:32 "And it came to pass that the Master of the vineyard went forth and He saw that His olive tree began to decay; And He saith: 'I will prune it and dig about it and nourish it, that perhaps it may shoot forth young and tender branches and it perish not.'

3:33 "And it came to pass that He pruned it and digged about it and nourished it according to His word.

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3:34 "And it came to pass that after many days it began to put forth somewhat a little, young and tender branches; But behold, the main top thereof began to perish.

3:35 "And it came to pass that the Master of the vineyard saw it and He saith unto His Servant: 'It grieveth Me that I should lose this tree;



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3:36 Wherefore, go and pluck the branches from a wild olive tree and bring them hither unto Me, And We will pluck off those main branches which are beginning to wither away, And We will cast them into the fire that they may be burned.

3:37 'And behold, ' saith the Lord of the vineyard, 'I take away many of these young and tender branches and I will graft them whithersoever I will;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:38 And it mattereth not that if it so be that the root of this tree will perish, I may preserve the fruit thereof unto Myself;

3:39 Wherefore, I will take these young and tender branches and I will graft them whithersoever I will;

3:40 Take Thou the branches of the wild olive tree and graft them in, in the stead thereof;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:41 And these which I have plucked off I will cast into the fire and burn them, that they may not cumber the ground of My vineyard.'

3:42 "And it came to pass that the Servant of the Lord of the vineyard did according to the word of the Lord of the vineyard and grafted in the branches of the wild olive tree;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:43 And the Lord of the vineyard caused that it should be digged about and pruned and nourished, saying unto His Servant: 'It grieveth Me that I should lose this tree;

3:44 Wherefore, that perhaps I might preserve the roots thereof, that they perish not, that I might preserve them unto Myself, I have done this thing;

3:45 Wherefore, go Thy way; Watch the tree and nourish it according to My words;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:47 And I do it that I may preserve unto Myself the natural branches of the tree, And also that I may lay up fruit thereof against the season unto Myself, for it grieveth Me that I should lose this tree and the fruit thereof.'

3:48 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard went His way and hid the natural branches of the tame olive tree in the nethermost parts of the vineyard, Some in one and some in another, according to His will and pleasure.

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:49 "And it came to pass that a long time passed away; And the Lord of the vineyard saith unto His Servant: 'Come, let Us go down into the vineyard that We may labor in the vineyard.'

3:50 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard, and also the Servant, went down into the vineyard to labor.

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3:51 "And it came to pass that the Servant saith unto His Master: 'Behold, look here! Behold the tree! '

3:52 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard looked and beheld the tree in the which the wild olive branches had been grafted; And it had sprung forth and began to bear fruit;

3:53 And He beheld that it was good; And the fruit thereof was like unto the natural fruit.

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3:54 "And He saith unto the Servant: 'Behold, the branches of the wild tree hath taken hold of the moisture of the root thereof, that the root thereof hath brought forth much strength;

3:55 And because of the much strength of the root thereof, the wild branches hath brought forth tame fruit;

3:56 Now if We had not grafted in these branches, the tree thereof would have perished;



# Parable of Olive Tree

3:57 And now behold, I shall lay up much fruit which the tree thereof hath brought forth, And the fruit thereof I shall lay up against the season unto Mine own self.'

3:58 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard saith unto the Servant: 'Come, let us go to the nethermost parts of the vineyard and behold if the natural branches of the tree hath not brought forth much fruit also, That I may lay up of the fruit thereof against the season unto Mine own self.'

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:59 "And it came to pass that they went forth whither the Master of the vineyard had hid the natural branches of the tree; And He saith unto the Servant, 'Behold these.'

3:60 "And He beheld the first, that it had brought forth much fruit, And He beheld also that it was good.

3:61 "And He saith unto the Servant: 'Take of the fruit thereof and lay it up against the season, that I may preserve it unto Mine own self;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:62 For behold, ' saith He, 'this long time have I nourished it and it hath brought forth much fruit.'

3:63 "And it came to pass that the Servant saith unto His Master: 'How comest Thou hither to plant this tree, or this branch of the tree? For behold, it was the poorest spot in all the land of Thy vineyard.'

3:64 "And the Lord of the vineyard saith unto Him: 'Counsel Me not; I knew that it was a poor spot of ground; Wherefore I said unto Thee, I have nourished it this long time, And Thou beholdest that it hath brought forth much fruit.'

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:65 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard saith unto His Servant: 'Look hither; Behold, I have planted another branch of the tree also, And Thou knowest that this spot of ground was poorer than the first;

3:66 But behold the tree; I have nourished it this long time and it hath brought forth much fruit; Therefore, gather it and lay it up against the season, that I may preserve it unto Mine own self.'

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:67 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard saith again unto His Servant: 'Look hither and behold another branch also which I have planted; Behold that I have nourished it also and it hath brought forth fruit.'

3:68 "And He saith unto the Servant: 'Look hither and behold the last; Behold, this have I planted in a good spot of ground, And I have nourished it this long time and only a part of the tree hath brought forth tame fruit, And the other part of the tree hath brought forth wild fruit; Behold, I have nourished this tree like unto the others.'

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:69 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard saith unto the Servant: 'Pluck off the branches that have not brought forth good fruit and cast them into the fire.'

3:70 "But behold, the Servant saith unto Him: 'Let Us prune it and dig about it and nourish it a little longer, that perhaps it may bring forth good fruit unto Thee, that Thou canst lay it up against the season.'

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:71 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard and the Servant of the Lord of the vineyard did nourish all the fruit of the vineyard.

3:72 "And it came to pass that a long time had passed away; And the Lord of the vineyard saith unto His Servant: 'Come, let Us go down into the vineyard, that We may labor again in the vineyard;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:73 For behold, the time draweth near and the end soon cometh; Wherefore, I must lay up fruit against the season unto Mine own self.'

3:74 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard and the Servant went down into the vineyard; And They came to the tree whose natural branches had been broken off and the wild branches had been grafted in; And behold, all sorts of fruit did cumber the tree.



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3:75 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard did taste of the fruit, every sort according to its number;

3:76 And the Lord of the vineyard saith: 'Behold, this long time have We nourished this tree, And I have laid up unto Myself against the season much fruit;

3:77 But behold, this time it hath brought forth much fruit and there is none of it which is good;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:78 And behold, there are all kinds of bad fruit, And it profiteth Me nothing, notwithstanding all Our labor; And now it grieveth Me that I should lose this tree.'

3:79 "And the Lord of the vineyard saith unto the Servant: 'What shall We do unto the tree, that I may preserve again good fruit thereof unto Mine own self?'

3:80 "And the Servant saith unto His Master: 'Behold, because Thou didst graft in the branches of the wild olive tree, they have nourished the roots, that they are alive and they have not perished; Wherefore, Thou beholdest that they are yet good.'

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3:81 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard saith unto His Servant: 'The tree profiteth Me nothing, And the roots thereof profiteth Me nothing, so long as it shall bring forth evil fruit;

3:82 Nevertheless, I know that the roots are good and for Mine own purpose I have preserved them; And because of their much strength, they have hitherto brought forth from the wild branches good fruit,

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:83 But behold, the wild branches have grown and have overrun the roots thereof; And because that the wild branches have overcome the roots thereof, it hath brought forth much evil fruit;

3:84 And because that it hath brought forth so much evil fruit, Thou beholdest that it beginneth to perish, And it will soon become ripened that it may be cast into the fire, except We should do something for it to preserve it.'

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3:85 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard saith unto His Servant: 'Let Us go down into the nethermost parts of the vineyard and behold if the natural branches have also brought forth evil fruit.'

3:86 "And it came to pass that They went down into the nethermost parts of the vineyard.

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:87 "And it came to pass that They beheld that the fruit of the natural branches had become corrupt also, yea, the first and the second and also the last; And they had all become corrupt;

3:88 And the wild fruit of the last had overcome that part of the tree which brought forth good fruit, even that the branch had withered away and died.

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:89 "And it came to pass that the Lord of the vineyard wept and saith unto the Servant: ' What could I have done more for My vineyard?

3:90 Behold, I knew that all the fruit of the vineyard, save it were these, had become corrupted;

3:91 And now these which have once brought forth good fruit have also become corrupted;

# Parable of Olive Tree

3:92 And now all the trees of My vineyard are good for nothing, save it be to be hewn down and cast into the fire;

3:93 And behold, this last, whose branch hath withered away, I did plant in a good spot of ground - Yea, even that which was choice unto Me above all other parts of the land of My vineyard;



# Parable of Olive Tree

3:94 And Thou beheldest that I also cut down that which cumbered this spot of ground, that I might plant this tree in the stead thereof;

3:95 And Thou beheldest that a part thereof brought forth good fruit and a part thereof brought forth wild fruit;

3:96 And because that I plucked not the branches thereof and cast them into the fire, Behold, they have overcome the good branch, that it hath withered away.

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3:97 'And now behold, notwithstanding all the care which We have taken of My vineyard, The trees thereof hath become corrupted, that they bring forth no good fruit;

3:98 And these I had hope to preserve, to have laid up fruit thereof against the season unto Mine own self.

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