The Good News is

.....There will be a Resurrection.

Resurrection....Jesus was first.

2 Nephi 1:75

(Jesus)....That he may bring to pass the **resurrection** of the dead, being **the first that should rise.**

..And Extends to Us...

John 6:40

And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up in the **resurrection** of the just at the last day.

No man can come unto me, except he doeth the will of my Father who hath sent me. And this is the will of him who hath sent me, that ye receive the Son; for the Father beareth record of him; and he who receiveth the testimony, and doeth the will of him who sent me, I will raise up in the **resurrection of the just**.

The Good News is also....

.....There is a Hell created.

The Good News is also....

Genesis 6:27-30

27 And he heard a voice from heaven, saying, Enoch, my son, prophesy unto this people, and say unto them, Repent, for thus saith the Lord, I am angry with this people, and my fierce anger is kindled against them; for their hearts have waxed hard, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes cannot see afar off.

28 And for these many generations, even since the day that I created them, have they gone astray, and have denied me, and have sought their own counsels in the dark; and in their own abominations have they devised murder, and have not kept the commandments which I gave unto their father Adam.

29 Wherefore, they have forsworn themselves, and by their oaths they have brought upon themselves death.

30 And an hell I have prepared for them, if they repent not;

BUT HOW LONG DOES 'HELL' LAST?

Rev 20:13

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.

...And what does Enoch witness?

Genesis 7:63

(..Jesus' death in vision)...And he heard a loud voice, and the heavens were veiled; and all the creations of God mourned, and the earth groaned; and the rocks were rent; and the saints arose, and were crowned at the right hand of the Son of Man, with crowns of glory.

64 And as many of the spirits as were in prison came forth and stood on the right hand of God. And the remainder were reserved in chains of darkness until the judgment of the great day.

Revelation 20:1-5

- 1 And I saw an angel come down out of heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.
- 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,
- 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled; and after that he must be loosed a little season.

Revelation 20:1-5

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

5 <u>But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished.</u> This is the first resurrection.

Revelation 20:1-5

6 <u>Blessed and holy are they who have part in the first resurrection</u>; on <u>such the second death hath no power</u>, 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,

8 And shall go out to deceive the nations

SOME DEFINITIONS

- HELL
- FIRST DEATH
- SECOND DEATH
- RESURRECTION OF THE JUST
- RESURRECTION OF THE UNJUST
- GLORY

DEATH IS.....

SEPARATION

LIFE IS??

ETERNAL LIFE IS??

John 17:3

And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

SOME DEFINITIONS

FIRST DEATH

Helaman 5:70

Yea, behold this death bringeth to pass the resurrection, and redeemeth all mankind from the first death; that spiritual death for all mankind, by the fall of Adam, being cut off from the presence of the Lord, or considered as dead, both as to things temporal and to things spiritual.

TRIVIA QUESTION?

WHAT FAMOUS REVELATION OCCURRED AFTER J. SMITH AND S. RIGDON INQUIRED ABOUT THIS?

John 5:29

And shall come forth; they who have done good, in the **resurrection** of **the just**; and they who have done evil, in the **resurrection** of the **unjust**.

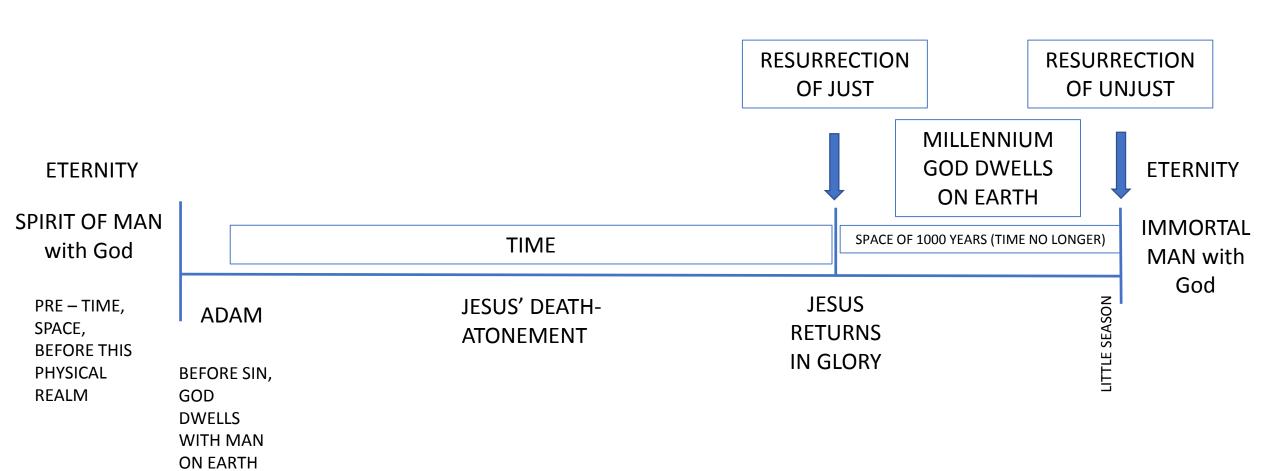
DC 76:3c for while we were doing the work of translation, which the Lord had appointed unto us, we came to the twenty-ninth verse of the fifth chapter of John, which was given unto us as follows:

3d speaking of the resurrection of the dead, concerning those who shall hear the voice of the Son of man, and shall come forth; they who have done good in the resurrection of the just, and they who have done evil in the resurrection of the unjust.

3e Now this caused us to marvel, for it was given unto us of the Spirit, and while we meditated upon these things, the Lord touched the eyes of our understandings, and they were opened, and the glory of the Lord shone round about;

3f and we beheld the glory of the Son, on the right hand of the Father, and received of his fullness; and saw the holy angels, and they who are sanctified before his throne, worshiping God and the Lamb, who worship him for ever and ever.

3g And, now, <u>after the many testimonies which have been given of him, this is the testimony, last of all, which we give of him, that he lives; for we saw him, even on the right hand of God;</u>



THE PRISION HOUSE—3 RECORDED 'RELEASES'

AT JESUS DEATH AND RESURRECTION

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

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

WHEN MILLENIUM BEGINS

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

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

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

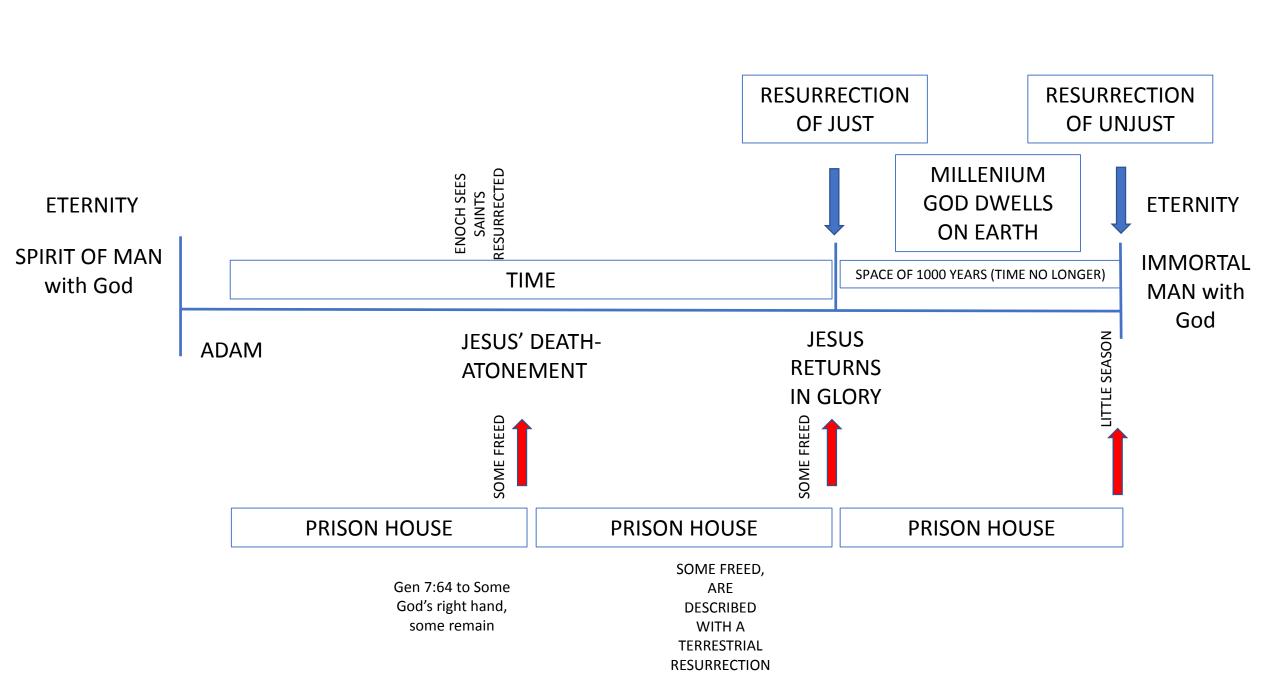
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AT END OF MILLENIUM

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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.



Description 1ST RESURRECTION

- NOTICE THAT AT BEGINNING ANGEL HAS GOSPEL IS PREACHED'
- (JUST PRIOR), RIGHTEOUSNESS AND TRUTH SWEEP THE EARTH LIKE A FLOOD.
- ALL BOW, CONFESS. ALL 'FRUIT' IS ONE. UNITY.
- ENOCH CITY RETURNS
- SOME FROM PRISON COME FORTH.
- EARTH RESTS
- SATAN BOUND
- TIME NO LONGER, SPACE OF 1000 YEARS
- OTHERS SINNERS TO PRISON HOUSE (METAPHORICALLY SLEEP FOR 1000 YEARS)

Description DURING MILLENNIUM

- DURING MILLENNIUM MEN KEEP ALL COMMANDMENTS
- THOSE FROM HEAVEN DWELLING WITH THOSE FROM EARTH
- TRANSFIGURATION
- LIVING TO AGE OF TREE, BUT NOT 'DYING'
- NATIONS COME TO ZION TO LEARN FROM JESUS
- NO MORE WAR, EVIL (SWORDS TO PLOWSHARES)
- ALL SHALL KNOW OF THE LORD
- AGE OF HEAVEN ON EARTH. MAGNIFICENCE IN ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE.

Description DURING MILLENNIUM

• DC 63:13e wherefore children shall grow up until they become old, old men shall die; but they shall not sleep in the dust, but they shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye;

• DC 98:5f In that day an infant shall not die until he is old, and his life shall be as the age of a tree, and when he dies he shall not sleep (that is to say in the earth), but shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye, and shall be caught up, and his rest shall be glorious.

Description AT END OF MILLENNIUM

- END OF MILLENIUM IS LITTLE SEASON
- IT IS BEFORE 2ND RESURRECTION
- SATAN LOOSED
- MEN (PEOPLE) BEGIN TO DENY GOD BECAUSE ALL MUST BE JUDGED.

Description AT 2ND RESURRECTION

- SATAN DEFEATED BY MICHAEL
- ALL COME FORTH, FROM EARTH (MILLENIUM PEOPLE) AND PRISION PEOPLE (DEATH)
- ALL IN PRISON NOW BOW (76:7U)
- 'ALL STAND BEFORE GOD
- GOOD ON THE RIGHT, BAD ON THE LEFT.
- DEATH, HELL CAST INTO LAKE OF FIRE.
- 'ENDLESS' TORMENT

Description AFTER 2ND RESURRECTION

- ETERNITY
- THOSE ON HIS RIGHT HAND EXPERIENCE THE RICHES OF ETERNITY
- IMMORTAL MAN WITH GOD
- GOOD 'MADE EQUAL' WITH GOD
- NEW HEAVEN, NEW EARTH
- THOSE ON HIS LEFT HAND, SONS OF PERDITION, ALSO CALLED 2ND DEATH—FINAL SEPARATION FROM GOD.
- ONLY WHO DO NOT PARTAKE ARE THE SONS OF PERDITION
- ALL OTHERS COME FORTH.

The Fullness of the Gospel....

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The Fullness of the Gospel....

1 Nephi 4:61

Wherefore, the **final state** of the souls of <u>men is to dwell in the kingdom of God, or to be cast out because of that justice of which I have spoken;</u>

Resurrection

• Means to reunite the body and spirit.

Resurrection

Abinadi and Alma both speak of Resurrection, and specifically a First Resurrection, but note, they use the terms differently:

- Abinadi uses 'first resurrection' as those who died before Christ to be resurrected at the time when Christ is resurrected.
- Alma clarifies saying 'while some have called it a 'First Resurrection' this doesn't mean the same as the 'First Resurrection' at the time when Christ returns when all the good in Christ are alive.

Resurrection--Abinadi

Mosiah 8

55 And there cometh a resurrection, even a <u>first resurrection</u>; yea, even a resurrection of those that have been, and who are, and who shall be, even until the resurrection of Christ: for so shall he be called.

56 And now, the resurrection of all the prophets, and all those that have believed in their words, or all those that have kept the commandments of God, shall come forth in the first resurrection; therefore, they are the first resurrection.

Resurrection--Abinadi

Mosiah 8:

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

58 And these 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.

59 And thus the Lord bringeth about the restoration of these; and they have a part in the first resurrection, or have eternal life, being redeemed by the Lord.

Resurrection—Then Abinadi discusses the Resurrection of the Just.

Mosiah 8

59 And thus the Lord bringeth about the restoration of these; and they have a part in the first resurrection, or have eternal life, being redeemed by the Lord.

60 And little children also have eternal life.

61 But behold, and fear, and tremble before God; for ye ought to tremble: for the Lord redeemeth none such that rebel against him, and die in their sins;

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.

63 Therefore had ye not ought to tremble?

64 For salvation cometh to none such; for the Lord hath redeemed none such;

Mosiah 8

65 Yea, neither can the Lord redeem such: for he can not deny himself; for he can not deny justice when it has its claim.

66 And now I say unto you, that the time shall come that the salvation of the Lord shall be declared to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people,

67 Yea, Lord, thy watchman shall lift up their voices; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion.

Mosiah 8

80 And if Christ had not risen from the dead, or have broken the bands of death, that the grave should have no victory, and that death should have no sting, there could have been no resurrection.

81 But there is a resurrection, therefore the grave hath no victory, and the sting of death is swallowed up in Christ.

82 He is the light and the life of the world; yea, a light that is endless, that can never be darkened; yea, and also a life which is endless, that there can be no more death.

Mosiah 8

83 Even this mortal shall put on immortality, and this corruption shall put on incorruption, and shall be brought to stand before the bar of God, to be judged of him according to their works, whether they be good or whether they be evil.

84 If they be good, to the resurrection of endless life and happiness, and if they be evil, to the resurrection of endless damnation;

Alma 19

48 Now there are some that have understood that this state of happiness, and this state of misery of the soul, <u>before the resurrection</u>, was a first resurrection.

49 Yea, I admit it may be termed a resurrection; the raising of the spirit or the soul, and their consignation to happiness or misery, according to the words which have been spoken.

50 And behold again it hath been spoken, that there is a first resurrection; a resurrection of all those who have been or who are, or who shall be, down to the resurrection of Christ from the dead.

Alma 19

51 Now we do not suppose that this first resurrection which is spoken of in this manner, can be the resurrection of the souls, and their consignation to happiness or misery. Ye can not suppose that this is what it meaneth.

52 Behold, I say unto, Nay; <u>but it meaneth the reuniting of the soul with</u> the body of those from the days of Adam, down to the resurrection of Christ.

53 Now whether the souls and the bodies of those of whom have been spoken, shall all be reunited at once, the wicked as well as the righteous, I do not say;

Alma 19

54 Let it suffice, that I say that they all come forth; or in other words, their resurrection cometh to pass before the resurrection of those who die after the resurrection of Christ.

55 Now my son, I do not say that their resurrection cometh at the resurrection of Christ; but behold, I give it as my opinion, that the souls and the bodies are reunited, of the righteous at the resurrection of Christ, and his ascension into heaven.

Alma 19

56 But whether it be at his resurrection, or after, I do not say; but this much I say, that there is a space between death and the resurrection of the body, and a state of the soul in happiness or in misery, until the time which is appointed of God that the dead shall come forth and be reunited, both soul and body, and be brought to stand before God, and be judged according to their works;

Alma 19

57 Yea, this bringeth about the restoration of those things of which have been spoken by the mouths of the prophets.

58 The soul shall be restored to the body, and the body to the soul; yea, and every limb and joint shall be restored to its body; yea, even a hair of the head shall not be lost, but all things shall be restored to their proper and perfect frame.

59 And now my son, this is the restoration of which has been spoken by the mouths of the prophets. And then shall the righteous shine forth in the kingdom of God.

Alma 8

92Therefore how can ye be saved, except ye inherit the kingdom of heaven? Therefore ye can not be saved in your sins.

93 Now Zeezrom saith again unto him, <u>Is the Son of God the very eternal</u> Father?

94 And Amulek said unto him, <u>Yea, he is the very eternal Father</u> of heaven and of earth, and all things which in them is;

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

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;

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

98 For behold, the day cometh that all shall rise from the dead and stand before God, and be judged according to their works.

Alma 8:99

99 Now there is a death which is called a temporal death; and the death of Christ shall loose the bands of this temporal death, that all shall be raised from this temporal death;

100 The spirit and the body shall be reunited again, in its perfect form; both limb and joint shall be restored to its proper frame, even as we now are at this time;

101 And we shall be brought to stand before God, knowing even as we know now, and have a bright recollection of all our guilt.

Alma 8:102

Now this restoration shall come to all, both old and young, both bond and free, both male and female, both the wicked and the righteous;

103 And even there shall not so much as a hair of their heads be lost; but all things shall be restored to its perfect frame, as it is now, or in the body,

Alma 19:80

And ye shall have good rewarded unto you again; for that which ye do send out, shall return unto you again, and be restored; therefore the word restoration, more fully condemneth the sinner, and justifieth him not at all.

HOW IS THE DIVISION MADE ON WHO PARTAKES IN THE 1ST RESURRECTION?

- OBEYED JESUS, MADE COVENANT
- IF ONE DESIRED GOOD (GOOD WORKS) (GOOD MEN OF THE EARTH)
- NEVER HAD CHANCE (KNEW NO LAW)

MATTHEW 25:32

When the <u>Son of Man shall come in his glory</u>, and all the holy angels with him, then he shall sit upon the throne of his glory;

- 33 And before him shall be gathered all nations; and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth sheep from the goats; the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on his left. **36** For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me;
- 37 I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me.
- 42 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into **everlasting fire**, prepared for the devil and his angels.

WHAT IS **ENDLESS** PUNISHMENT?

ENDLESS PUNISHMENT MEANS IT IS NAMED AFTER GOD, NOT REFERING TO 'NEVER ENDING'

• <u>Genesis 7:42</u> Behold, I am God; Man of Holiness is my name; Man of Counsel is my name; and Endless and Eternal is my name also. Wherefore I can stretch forth my hands and hold all the creations which I have made, and mine eye can pierce them also.

• <u>DC 22:2</u> And God spake unto Moses, saying, Behold, I am the Lord God Almighty, and Endless is my name, for I am without beginning of days or end of years; and is not this endless?

ENDLESS IS HIS NAME

- DC 18:1d And surely every man must repent or suffer, for I God am endless; wherefore, I revoke not the judgments which I shall pass, but woes shall go forth, weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth;
 1e yea, to those who are found on my left hand; nevertheless, it is not written that there shall be no end to this torment; but it is written endless torment.
- 2a Again, it is written eternal damnation; wherefore it is more express than other scriptures, that it might work upon the hearts of the children of men, altogether for my name's glory;
- DC 18:2d For, behold, I am endless, and the punishment which is given from my hand is endless punishment, for Endless is my name; wherefore—
- 2e Eternal punishment is God's punishment. Endless punishment is God's punishment.

ENDLESS IS HIS NAME

DC 76:4h that through him all might be saved, whom the Father had put into his power, and made by him; who glorifies the Father, and saves all the works of his hands, except those sons of perdition, who deny the Son after the Father has revealed him;

DC 76:4i wherefore he saves all except them; they shall go away into everlasting punishment, which is endless punishment, which is eternal punishment, to reign with the Devil and his angels in eternity, where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched, which is their torment, and the end thereof, neither the place thereof, nor their torment, no man knows;

ENDLESS IS HIS NAME

2h For, behold, I, God, have suffered these things for all, that they might not suffer, if they would repent; but if they would not repent, they must suffer even as I;

2i which suffering caused myself, even God, the greatest of all, to tremble because of pain, and to bleed at every pore, and to suffer both body and spirit, and would that I might not drink the bitter cup, and shrink;

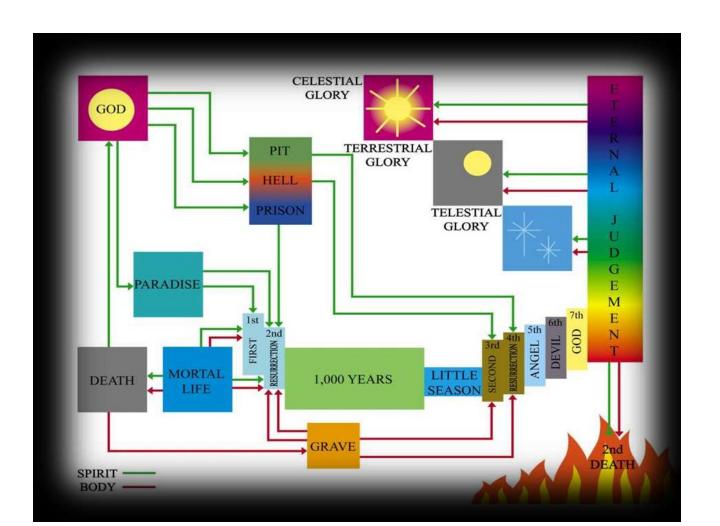
WHAT IS FIRST AND SECON DEATH?

- 1 Corinthians 15:23 But every man in his own order; Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.
- 24 Afterward cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule, and all authority and power.
- 25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.
- 26 The last enemy, death, shall be destroyed.
- Chronological Order: Christ returns, later delivers the kingdom to the Father, after putting down rule and subduing enemies, and last enemy death is destroyed

• 3 Nephi 13:19 And ye shall never endure the pains of death; but when I shall come in my glory, ye shall be changed in the **twinkling** of an eye, from mortality to immortality; and then shall ye be blessed in the kingdom of my Father.

• Therefore the 'Glory Return' of Jesus is at beginning of Kingdom on Father, presumably on earth.

- DC 63:13c yea, and blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from henceforth, when the Lord shall come, and old things shall pass away, and all things become new,
- 13d they shall rise from the dead and shall not die after, and shall receive an inheritance before the Lord, in the holy city, and he that liveth when the Lord shall come, and has kept the faith, blessed is he; nevertheless it is appointed to him to die at the age of man;
- 13e wherefore children shall grow up until they become old, old men shall die; but they shall not sleep in the dust, but they shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye;
- 13f wherefore, for this cause preached the apostles unto the world the resurrection of the dead:
- Therefore in the 'Holy City' children are transformed from mortal to immortal, or in other words from Terrestrial to Celestial.



How many times (at least) is the Prison House 'Opened'? (and prisoners released.

- Enoch records at Jesus Death.
 - And where do they stand after?
- DC records at Jesus return (beginning of Millenium), resurrection of the JUST. (DC 85)
 - And where do they stand?
- DC records at END of Millennium—ALL come forth. This is the last day, the final judgement. (DC 76)
 - And where do they stand?

The problem with one scripture out of context.....

• **Ephesians 2:8** For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; but it is the gift of God;

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• 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

• 2:10 For we are his workmanship, <u>created in Christ Jesus unto good</u> works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.





<u>Piero della Francesca</u> c. 1448–50 Location National Gallery, United Kingdom



The Baptism of Christ - by Leonardo da Vinci



Artist Perugino Year c.1510



1643 painting by <u>Jusepe de Ribera</u>.

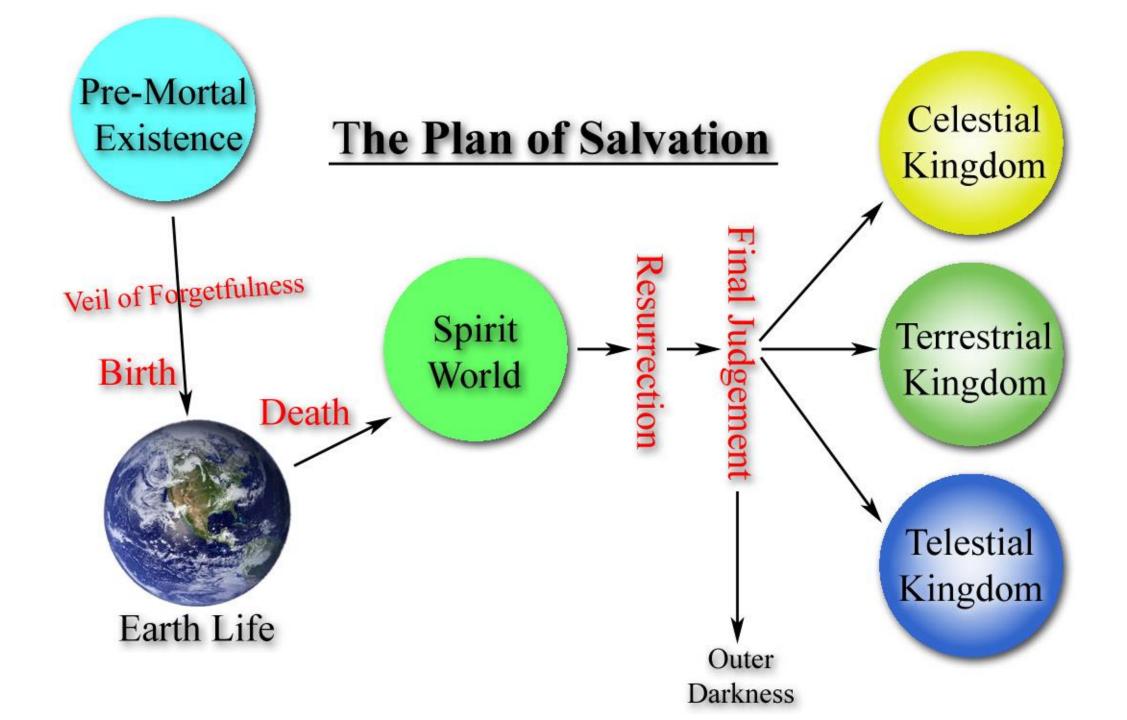


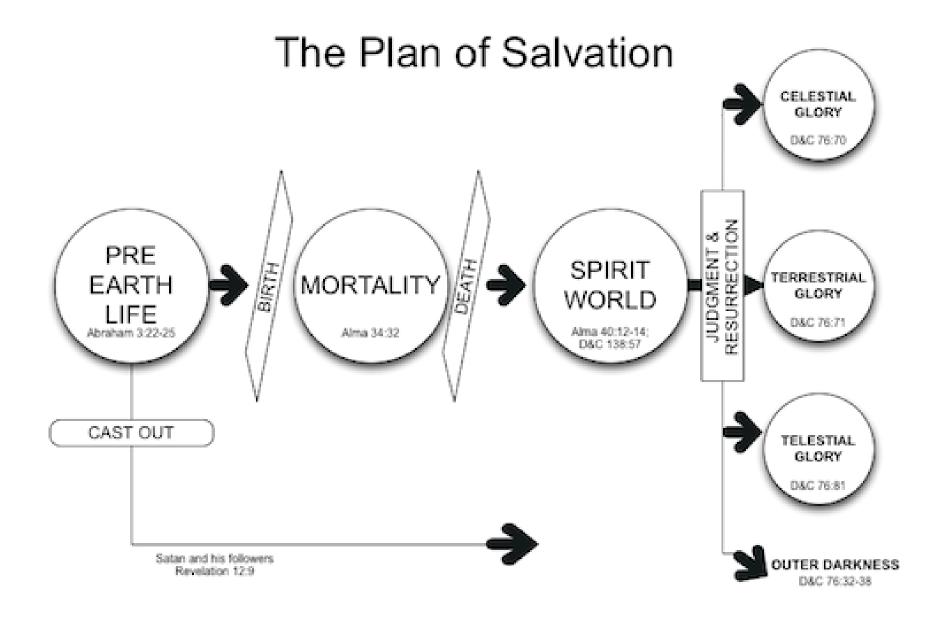
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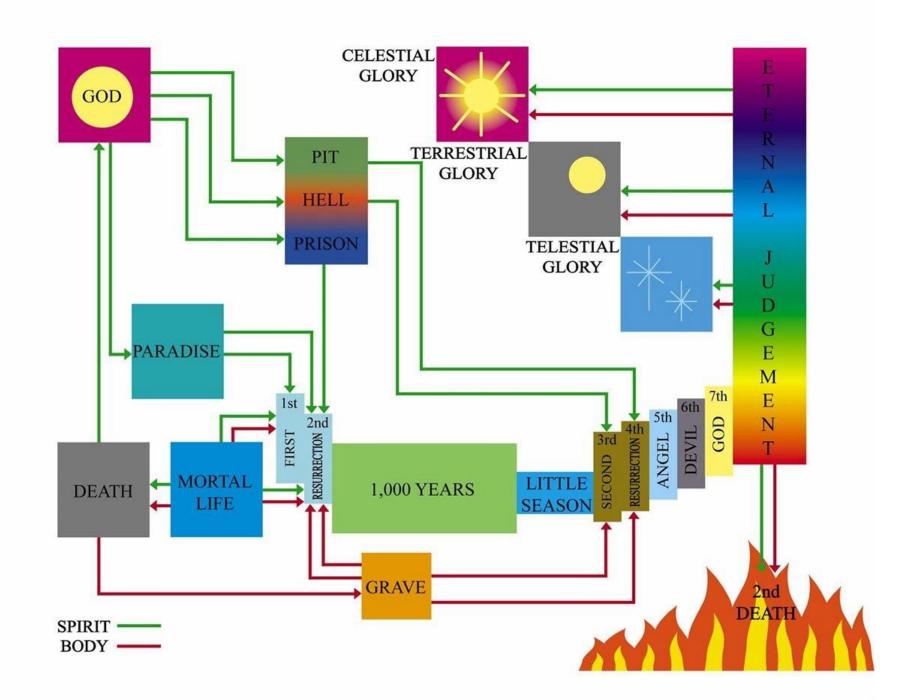
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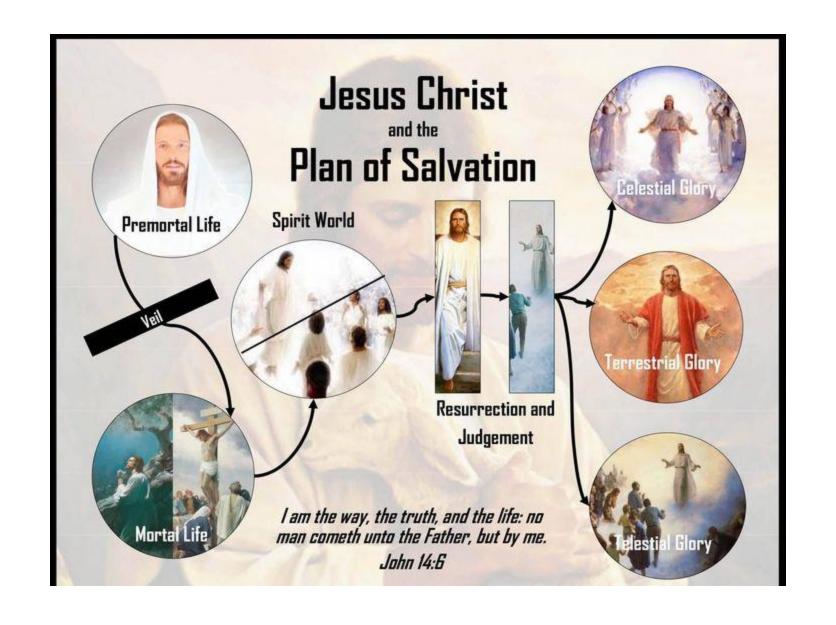


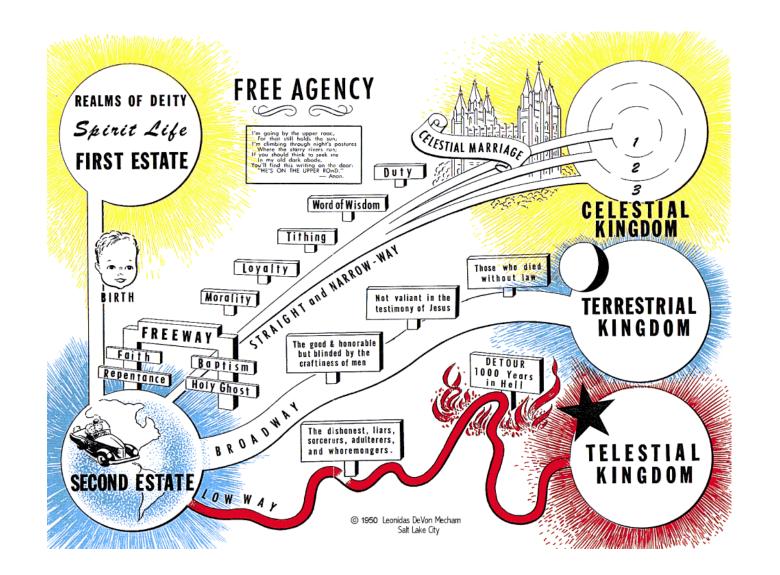
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God's 'angry' about what?

Alma 16:188

For it is not written that Zenos alone spake of these things, but Zenock also spake of these things; for behold, he said, **Thou art angry**, O Lord, with this people, <u>because they will not understand of thy mercies</u> which thou hast bestowed upon them, because of thy Son.

While I asked if Celestial, Terrestrial, Telestial are mentione in the Book of Mormon...

It is somewhat a trick question, but can be understood in this way.

First, IF we understand that Celestial is simply referring to people who come to earth who have already lived in the presence of God (i.e. not an eternal destination of glory), and IF we understand that Terrestial and Telestial describe good people of the earth and also sinners who come to Jesus, then we see these are both taught in the Book of Mormon by the same principles.

(share scriptures of the good coming forth from the paradise of God, and the prisoners freed, etc).

Could it be the Gentiles taught anything incorrectly?

What was the conclusion for the Gentiles? If they repent, they are numbered among the remnant of Jacob.

Not that they were the keepers of all truth. They had the Book of Mormon to share.

The message we haven't shared is the beauty of God's mercy. We have a message we have yet to share. Don't worry, God does.

The Fullness of the Gospel....

1 Nephi 4:61

Wherefore, the **final state** of the souls of <u>men is to dwell in the kingdom of God, or to be cast out because of that justice of which I have spoken;</u>

If I read Ephesians 2:8, I conclude works have no bearing on salvation.

Thus their world view of Christ is formed with a quick explanation from a scripture out of context.

Many Christians stop asking questions after this, without simply reading the next two verses.

Ephesians 2:10 states created unto Good works. The point?

Restoration can be guilty of the same. Quick read of scripture forms an generally held paradigm on resurrection, propagated for a few generations, without ever going back and examining the text. Just reading what it has been saying all along, without the paradigm.

Unfortunately that paradigm has shaped Gentile Theology to (in our generation) preach a doctrine that may be contrary to the merciful plan of the Creator.

What would make God Angry??

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Alma 16:188

What is God's greatest attribute extended to His Creation?

Therefore may God grant unto you, my brethren, that ye may begin to exercise your faith unto repentance, that ye begin to call upon his holy name, that he would have mercy upon you; yea, cry unto him for mercy;

Alma 16:218

for he is mighty to save;

The Fullness of the Gospel...

...Does not contain the words Celestial, Terrestrial, Telestial.

Happily, the Book of Mormon and Doctrine and Covenants tell the same story. We've just held a paradigm to see it differently.

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

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

MOSIAH 8	DC 76
ABINADI'S DESCRIPTION: All Who Have Rebelled against God, knew to keep commandments but did not.	DESCRIPTION: Same Reurrected people Mosiah describes but JS calls them 'Telestial' because of the amount of Light and Truth they have of God
61 But behold, and fear, and tremble before God; for ye ought to tremble: for the Lord redeemeth none such that rebel against him, and die in their sins; 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.	76:7a And again, we saw the glory of the telestial, 76:7b these are they who received not the gospel of Christ, neither the testimony of Jesus;
	76:7d these are they who are thrust down to hell;
	76:7e these are they who shall not be redeemed from the Devil, until the last resurrection, until the Lord, even Christ the Lamb, shall have finished his work;
	76:7f for they shall be heirs of salvation.

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

QUESTION: (and here is the key point): When is the Resurrection of the "Just"

And, when is the Resurrection of the "UnJust?"

Understanding four terms is essential:

The Resurrection of the Just is:

- People from Heaven, live ON THE EARTH.
- People who followed Jesus, baptized, covenant.
- When Enoch's city returns.
- It starts the "Millennium "
- Also referred to as "The First Resurrection."
- When Jesus reigns ON EARTH.

The Resurrection of the UnJust:

- At the **END** of the Millenium.
- Unrepentant people.
- People in Prison House (Hell).
- They did not take part in life on earth during Millennium.
- They now come forth.
- This is the Second Resurrection, or the LAST and FINAL resurrection.

The understanding of "Glory"

- Glory, is defined by DC 90 as 'light and truth.'
- •Glory is Understanding, experiencing Light and Truth about God.
- Not a physical place so much as a condition of understanding, leading to transformation.

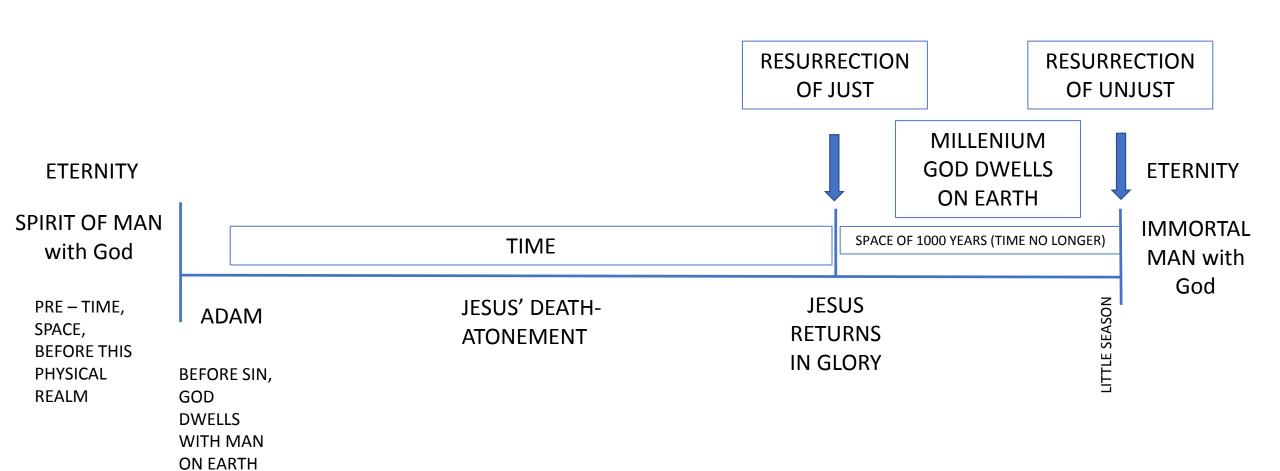
Eternity.

- The state of life after Final Judgement.
- Also describes experiencing his fullness at any time because there can be no time where God is.
- Time doesn't exist in the Millennium. Angel announces 'time no longer.'
- Eternity and the Millennium are not the same.

Section 76 is a description of Joseph Smith and Sidney Rigdon's vision they beheld upon inquiry regarding John 5:29.

"...speaking of the resurrection of the dead, concerning those who shall hear the voice of the Son of man, and shall come forth; they who have done good in the resurrection of the just, and they who have done evil in the resurrection of the unjust."

-John 5:29



A significant Paradigm is that DC 76 describes 'life' after final judgement.

Simply consider what the text actually says, vs what we have been told it says.

DC 76 describes the resurrection of the Just, which is at the BEGINNING of the Millennium. It is describing the spiritual state of where people CAME FROM, not where they are GOING.

The resurrection of the TELESTIAL is at the END of the Millenium—they don't take part in the 1st Resurrection on earth. But THEY SHALL BE HEIRS OF SALVATION unless they are those deemed PERDITION.

The preface in verse DC 76:5a regarding those of Celestial and Terrestrial glory begins with this:

"and this is the testimony of the gospel of Christ, concerning them who come forth in the resurrection of the just"

-- DC 76:5a

5e they are they who are the church of the Firstborn

- The Firstborn return with Christ at His coming in Glory.
- When does he return?
- (Answer, <u>beginning</u> of Millennium)

5g...who have received of his fullness, and of his glory

- Have received fullness of his light and truth—i.e. glory
- not a <u>place</u> but a <u>condition</u>

5k these are they whom he shall bring with him when

he shall come in the clouds of heaven

When does Jesus return?

Beginning of Millennium.

...to reign on the earth over his people;

When does Jesus reign over the earth? Beginning of Millennium.

5n these are they who are come unto Mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God the heavenly place, the holiest of all

- Q. When is Zion?
- A. During the Millennium

50... to the general assembly and church of Enoch

- Q. When does Enoch's church return?
- A. Beginning of Millennium.

51 these are they who shall have part in the first resurrection

First Resurrection IS THE Ressurection of the Just, starting the Millenium, not Eternity.

5m these are they who shall come forth in the resurrection of the just

Q. When is the resurrection of the 'Just?'

A. Beginning of Millennium

5r these are they whose bodies are celestial

So, what description is given to these people? Celestial.

This means that there will be people alive during the Millennium that can and have dwelt in the presence of God, now alive on earth.

whose glory differs from that of the church of the Firstborn

Glory is Light and Truth--i.e. not a place, but a difference between the amount of light and truth they have received (the Spirit) from the Father.

they who are the spirits of men kept in prison, whom the Son visited, and preached the gospel unto them, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh,

(1 Pet 3:18, 1 Pet 4:6).

(DC 85:28 describes those who were prisoners released in the first resurrection, when the second trump sounds. Christ claims these as his. Also, Gen 7:64 describes the prison house captives being released at the time of Christ's death and stand on the right hand of God)

...Wherefore they are bodies terrestrial, and not bodies celestial

Since these are described as ones who stand on the right hand of God, after a previous time in the prison house. This makes clear their state is during the Millennium.

...Wherefore they are bodies terrestrial, and not bodies celestial

This means that there are those resurrected who can not stand in the presence of God, because they have not yet received the Gift of the Holy Ghost in the flesh (yet). They can abide in the presence of The Son of God, (defined as God who has taken on flesh).

7d these are they who are thrust down to hell

Recall Rev 20:14 that <u>hell is cast into the lake of fire</u> **after** the last resurrection, the second death.

If this description is of the Telestial world after the final judgment, then it would be a scriptural conflict since "Hell" will not exist then.)

Te these are they who shall not be redeemed from the Devil, until the last resurrection until the Lord, even Christ the Lamb, shall have finished his work;

NOTICE: these are to be redeemed at the LAST RESURRECTION.

Q. When is that

A. End of the Millenium

7f... for they shall be heirs of salvation

Salvation has to come at FINAL judgement, therefore this is a description DURING THE MILLENNIUM.

7n last of all, these all are they who will not be gathered with the saints, to be caught up unto the church of the Firstborn, and received into the cloud (..first resurrection)

7r...are cast down to hell and suffer the wrath of Almighty God until the fullness of times

when Christ shall have subdued all enemies under his feet, and shall have perfected his work, when he shall deliver up the kingdom and present it unto the Father spotless....

(this happens at beginning of last resurrection according to verse 7e above)

7v for they shall be judged according to their works; and every man shall receive according to his own works, and his own dominion, in the mansions which are prepared, and they shall be servants of the Most High, but where God and Christ dwell they cannot come, worlds without end.

Speaking of the Sons of Perdition who remain

- Note that the celestial, terrestrial, and telestial are descriptions of people living IN THE MILLENIUM AT THE RESURRECTION OF THE JUST!
- What of the books is called the 'Fullness of the Gospel?' It mentions nothing about celestial, terrestrial, telestial.
- Did Jesus not read DC 76 when he said you will stand on my left or right? Then why all this talk of 'glories?'
- Glories are light and truth, not places in the universe
 - Read the context in which they are described.
 - Celestial are people who came out of heaven with Jesus, they have been transformed
 - Terrestrial are on the earth
 - Telestial are in prison house. Also called 'Hell.' If they are in Hell, and Hell is cast into the lake of fire (i.e. no more), then when do they occupy Hell?
 - The final state of the souls of man is to dwell in the Kingdom or not.

Description of people called "SONS OF PERDITION"

4e the only ones on whom the second death shall have any power; yea, verily,

Notice that the 2nd death (i.e. final separation) is described ONLY for Sons of Perdition

Description of people called "SONS OF PERDITION"

the only ones who shall not be redeemed in the due time of the Lord, after the sufferings of his wrath;

Notice that these are the only ones who are not redeemed--i.e. Brought back to the Father.

Description of people called "SONS OF PERDITION"

4f for all the rest shall be brought forth by the resurrection of the dead,

Everyone else is redeemed after Millennium, STANDS ON RIGHT HAND OF GOD but many will suffer the 1000 years in the prison house.

When is the left hand/right hand? DC 28

28:6a And again, verily, verily I say unto you, that when the thousand years are ended, and men again begin to deny their God, then will I spare the earth but for a little season;

28:6b and the end shall come, and the heaven and the earth shall be consumed, and pass away, and there shall be a new heaven and a new earth;

28:6c for all old things shall pass away, and all things shall become new, even the heaven and the earth, and all the fullness thereof, both men and beasts, the fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea;

When is the left hand/right hand? DC 28

28:6d and not one hair, neither mote, shall be lost, for it is the workmanship of mine hand.

28:7a But, behold, verily I say unto you, Before the earth shall pass away, Michael, mine archangel, shall sound his trump, and then shall all the dead awake, for their graves shall be opened, and they shall come forth; yea, even all;

28:7b and the righteous shall be gathered on my right hand unto eternal life; and the wicked on my left hand will I be ashamed to own before the Father;

When is the left hand/right hand? DC 28

28:7c wherefore I will say unto them, Depart from me ye cursed into everlasting fire, prepared for the Devil and his angels.

28:8a And now, behold, I say unto you, Never at any time, have I declared from my own mouth that they should return, for where I am they can not come, for they have no power;

28:8b but remember that all my judgments are not given unto men; and as the words have gone forth out of my mouth, even so shall they be fulfilled;

Endless Punishment? DC 18

18:1d And surely every man must repent or suffer, for I God am endless; wherefore, I revoke not the judgments which I shall pass, but woes shall go forth, weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth;

18:1e yea, to those who are found on my left hand; nevertheless, it is not written that there shall be no end to this torment; but it is written endless torment.

18:2a Again, it is written eternal damnation; wherefore it is more express than other scriptures, that it might work upon the hearts of the children of men, altogether for my name's glory;

Endless Punishment? DC 18

18:2b wherefore, I will explain unto you this mystery, for it is meet unto you to know even as mine apostles.

18:2c I speak unto you that are chosen in this thing, even as one, that you may enter into my rest; for, behold, the mystery of godliness, how great is it?

18:2d For, behold, I am endless, and the punishment which is given from my hand is endless punishment, **for Endless is my name**; wherefore--

18:2e Eternal punishment is God's punishment. Endless punishment is God's punishment.

18:2f Wherefore, I command you to repent, and keep the commandments which you have received by the hand of my servant Joseph Smith, Jr., in my name;

Endless Punishment? DC 18

18:2g and it is by my almighty power that you have received them; therefore I command you to repent--repent, lest I smite you by the rod of my mouth, and by my wrath, and by my anger, and your sufferings be sore--how sore you know not! how exquisite you know not! yea, how hard to bear you know not!

18:2h For, behold, I, God, have suffered these things for all, that they might not suffer, if they would repent; but if they would not repent, they must suffer even as I;

18:2i which suffering caused myself, even God, the greatest of all, to tremble because of pain, and to bleed at every pore, and to suffer both body and spirit, and would that I might not drink the bitter cup, and shrink;

CONSIDER WHAT DC 76 ACTUALLY SAYS:

1. This revelation ultimately indicates that during the Millennium (i.e. after the first resurrection), there are people on earth who can dwell in God's presence (i.e. 'Celestial') and people who can not abide the Fullness yet (i.e. 'Terrestrial').

CONSIDER WHAT DC 76 ACTUALLY SAYS:

2. It also describes a group who spend the thousand years away in the Prison House, but those who repent receive 'glory' in the end. Those do not suffer eternity outside of God's presence.

CONSIDER WHAT DC 76 ACTUALLY SAYS:

3. :Glory", as described in Section 76, simply describes the state of those at the resurrection during the Millennium.

For a generation, Saints have read the passage too quickly, assuming it described conditions and separate places in eternity, which it does not.

Take Home Points:

- 1. "The Glories" mentioned in DC 76 describe the conditions of people who come forth during the Millennium:
- **2. Celestial 'bodies**' are people who have already been transformed and can dwell in the presence of the Father.

Take Home Points:

- 3. <u>Terrestrial</u> describes people who have not yet been transformed bodily, and can not abide the fullness of the Father (in his Spirit) but can the Son (in his flesh)
- 4. <u>Terrestrial and Celestial people occupy the Earth during the Millennium simultaneously.</u>

Take Home Points:

- 5. Telestial people are in the prison house during the Millennium.
- 6. Those who repent are freed at the resurrection of the UnJust.
- 7. Those unrepentant are doomed to suffer the 'Second Death'--eternity away from God.

Final Observation from the Book of Mormon

The Book of Mormon is the Fullness of the Gospel.

Interestingly, the Book of Mormon <u>does not include</u> any of the words Celestial, Terrestrial or Telestial.

Final Observation from the Book of Mormon

According to the Book of Mormon, The final state of mankind is to dwell in the presence of God or be cast out.

Wherefore, the final state of the souls of men is to dwell in the kingdom of God, or to be cast out because of that justice of which I have spoken;

--1 Nephi 4:61

We have not read DC 76 carefully.

- Mormonism notions crept in.
- You will feel upset because of pictures painted in your mind for a generation
- If you read DC 76 in context, Celestial, Terrestrial telestial from DC 76 are descriptions of the state of people living in the millennium, nothing more. It is NOT a description of Eternity, when read in context. IF these conditions exist after the final judgement, this is not the scripture that describes it, and don't know where that scripture exists if it does.
- Not asking you to 'accept a theory' or my opinion. I am just saying 'read it in context' and you will understand.