

WHAT DOES THE BOOK OF MORMON TEACH?

Class 8



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Moroni 10:30

Living In
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The Risk: Isolating Single Elements

Restoration-- sometimes does this with 'baptism.'

Much of Gentile Christianity isolates
'FAITH' as only believing in your heart.

But disregards baptism in Water or Holy Ghost or Enduring.

This misses the larger understandings taught by Jesus/Apostles
throughout the bible.



IT'S NOT A CHECK LIST

Each act is a choice of Humility.

They blend together as the fundamental force of your life.



The Book of Mormon Teaches:

Must Demonstrate Sincerity To Enter 'The Way'

Moroni 6:2

Behold, elders, priests and teachers were baptized;

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

Neither did they receive any unto baptism,

save they came forth with a broken heart and a contrite spirit

and witnessed unto the church

that they truly repented of all their sins;



The Book of Mormon Teaches:

'Fruit Meet for Repentance'

Alma 9:27

That He is just in all His works,

And that He is merciful unto the children of men.

And that He hath all power to save every man that believeth on His name
and bringeth forth fruit meet for repentance.

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The Book of Mormon Teaches:

'Fruit Meet for Repentance'

Alma 10:6

And now my brethren,
I would that ye should **humble yourselves before God**
and **bring forth fruit meet for repentance**,
that ye may also enter into that rest;

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The Book of Mormon Teaches:

2 Nephi 13—The Way

10 Wherefore, after that He was baptized with water, the Holy Ghost descended upon Him in the form of a dove.

11 And again, **it showeth unto the children of men the straitness of the path and the narrowness of the gate** by which they should enter, He having set **the example before them;**

12 And He saith unto the children of men: "**Follow thou Me.**"

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13 Wherefore my beloved brethren, can we follow Jesus
save we shall be willing to keep the commandments of the Father?

14 And the Father saith Repent ye.

Repent ye and be baptized in the name of My beloved Son.

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The Book of Mormon Teaches:

2 Nephi 13—The Way

15 And also the voice of the Son came unto me, saying:

He that is baptized in My name,

To him will the Father give the Holy Ghost, like unto Me;

Wherefore, follow Me and do the things which ye have seen Me do.

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

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The Book of Mormon Teaches:

2 Nephi 13—The Way

Witnessing unto the Father
that ye are willing to take upon you the name of Christ by baptism,
Yea, by following your Lord and Savior
down into the water according to His word,
Behold, then shall ye receive the Holy Ghost;

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The Book of Mormon Teaches:

2 Nephi 13—The Way

19 And I heard a voice from the Father, saying:

"Yea, the words of My Beloved are true and faithful;

20 He that endureth to the end, the same shall be saved.

22 Wherefore, **do the things which I have told you**
that I have seen that your Lord and your Redeemer should do;

23 For, for this cause have they been shown unto me,
That ye might know the gate by which ye should enter.



The Book of Mormon Teaches:

2 Nephi 13—The Way

24 For the gate by which ye should enter

is repentance and baptism by water,

And then cometh a remission of your sins by fire and by the Holy Ghost,

25 And then are ye in this strait and narrow path

which leads to eternal life.

Yea, ye have entered in by the gate.

Ye have done according to the commandments
of the Father and the Son.



The Book of Mormon Teaches:

Nephi Asks if all is done. We must

1. Rely on the Merits of Christ who is Mighty to Save
2. We Must Press Forward in Faith, Determination.
3. Taught by The Word, Directed By the Spirit.
4. Endure in this always.

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The Book of Mormon Teaches:

2 Nephi 13—The Way

30 Wherefore,
if ye shall
press forward,
feasting upon the word of Christ
and endure to the end,

Behold, thus saith the Father, ye shall have eternal life.

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31 And now behold, my beloved brethren, **this is the way.**

And there is none other way nor name given under heaven whereby man can be saved in the kingdom of God.

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.

The Book of Mormon Teaches:

The Way—**is not a single step**. (i.e. water baptism)

Walking In the Way the culmination of ALL these choices resulting in your lifelong change.

From Your Covenant, He gives Holy Ghost and promise of Eternal Life.

Entering
"The Way"

This is why Communion is for those who have voluntarily come into The Way.

That is why it is mockery to partake without coming into the way first.

Entering
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Meaning of 'The Way'--Moroni 8:29

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And baptism cometh by faith,

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And the fulfilling the commandments

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And the remission of sins

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And because of meekness and lowliness of heart

cometh the visitation of the Holy Ghost,

Which Comforter filleth with hope

and perfect love.

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

when all the saints shall dwell with God.

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This is the
meaning and
result of
'Coming In the Gate'
or
'Finding The Way'

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Living In
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- Share pics of Washington finding man, seeking him.
- I am him spiritually. I have nothing. I had hope of nothing.
- None of this story is about what I did.
- It parallels that our savior sought us out.
- With no demands. Just compassion.
- Can I offer you salvation?
- The laws require you to respond.

















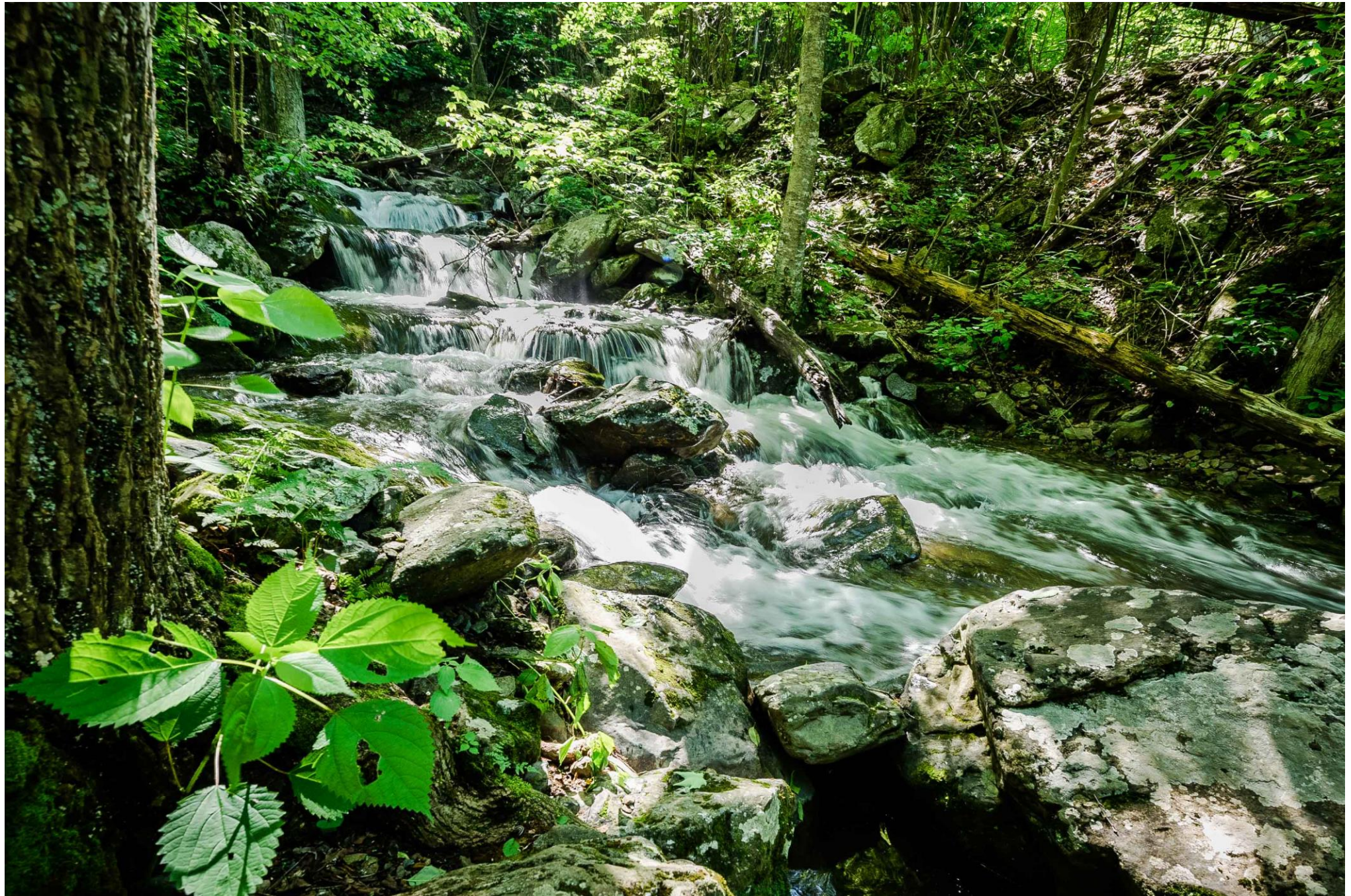


FELLOW COUNTRYMEN: AT THIS SECOND APPEARING TO TAKE THE OATH OF THE PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE THERE IS LESS OCCASION FOR AN EXTENDED ADDRESS THAN THERE WAS AT THE FIRST. THEN A STATEMENT SOMEWHAT IN DETAIL OF A COURSE TO BE PURSUED SEEMED FITTING AND PROPER. NOW AT THE EXPIRATION OF FOUR YEARS DURING WHICH PUBLIC DECLARATIONS HAVE BEEN CONSTANTLY CALLED FORTH ON EVERY POINT AND PHASE OF THE GREAT CONTEST WHICH STILL ABSORBS THE ATTENTION AND ENGROSSES THE ENERGIES OF THE NATION. LITTLE THAT IS NEW COULD BE PRESENTED. THE PROGRESS OF OUR ARMS UPON WHICH ALL ELSE CHIEFLY DEPENDS IS AS WELL KNOWN TO THE PUBLIC AS TO MYSELF AND IT IS I TRUST REASONABLY SATISFACTORY AND ENCOURAGING TO ALL. WITH HIGH HOPE FOR THE FUTURE NO PREDICTION IN REGARD TO IT IS VENTURED. ON THE OCCASION CORRESPONDING TO THIS FOUR YEARS AGO ALL THOUGHTS WERE ANXIOUSLY DIRECTED TO AN IMPENDING CIVIL WAR. ALL DREADED IT. ALL SOUGHT TO AVERT IT. WHILE THE INAUGURAL ADDRESS WAS BEING DELIVERED FROM THIS PLACE DEVOTED ALTOGETHER TO SAVING THE UNION WITHOUT WAR. INSURGENT AGENTS WERE IN THE CITY SEEKING TO DESTROY IT WITHOUT WAR. SEEKING TO DISSOLVE THE UNION AND DIVIDE EFFECTS BY NEGOTIATION. BOTH PARTIES DEPRECATED WAR BUT ONE OF THEM WOULD MAKE WAR RATHER THAN LET THE NATION SURVIVE

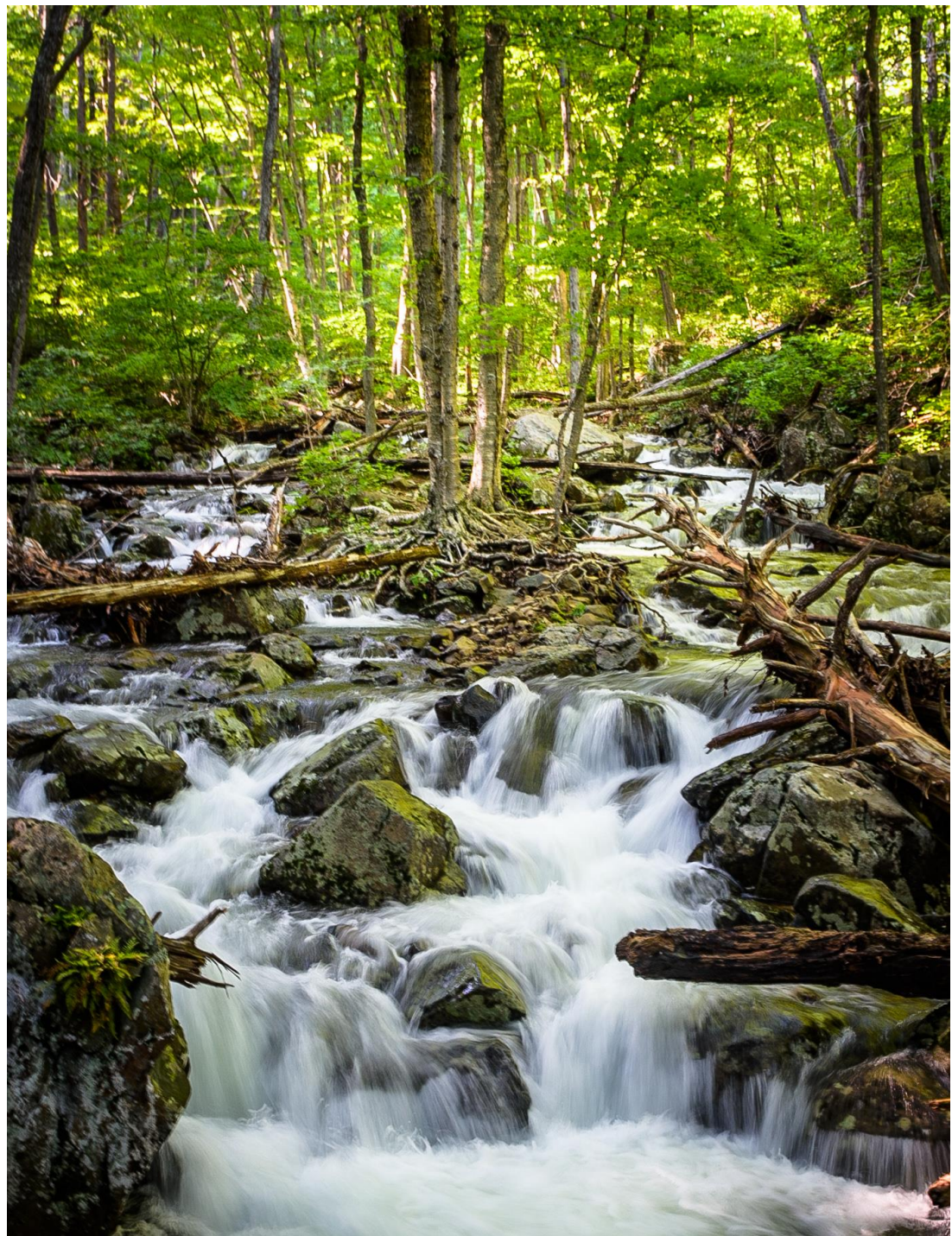
AND THE OTHER WOULD ACCEPT WAR RATHER THAN LET IT PERISH. AND THE WAR CAME. ONE EIGHTH OF THE WHOLE POPULATION WERE COLORED SLAVES NOT DISTRIBUTED GENERALLY OVER THE UNION BUT LOCALIZED IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF IT. THESE SLAVES CONSTITUTED A PECULIAR AND POWERFUL INTEREST. ALL KNEW THAT THIS INTEREST WAS SOMEHOW THE CAUSE OF THE WAR. TO STRENGTHEN PERPETUATE AND EXTEND THIS INTEREST WAS THE OBJECT FOR WHICH THE INSURGENTS WOULD REND THE UNION EVEN BY WAR WHILE THE GOVERNMENT CLAIMED NO RIGHT TO DO MORE THAN TO RESTRICT THE TERRITORIAL ENLARGEMENT OF IT. NEITHER PARTY EXPECTED FOR THE WAR THE MAGNITUDE OR THE DURATION WHICH IT HAS ALREADY ATTAINED. NEITHER ANTICIPATED THAT THE CAUSE OF THE CONFLICT MIGHT CEASE WITH OR EVEN BEFORE THE CONFLICT ITSELF SHOULD CEASE. EACH LOOKED FOR AN EASIER TRIUMPH AND A RESULT LESS FUNDAMENTAL AND ASTOUNDING. BOTH READ THE SAME BIBLE AND PRAY TO THE SAME GOD AND EACH INVOKES HIS AID AGAINST THE OTHER. IT MAY SEEM STRANGE THAT ANY MEN SHOULD DARE TO ASK A JUST GOD'S ASSISTANCE IN WRINGING THEIR BREAD FROM THE SWEAT OF OTHER MEN'S FACES BUT LET US JUDGE NOT THAT WE BE NOT JUDGED. THE PRAYERS OF BOTH COULD NOT BE ANSWERED. THAT OF NEITHER HAS BEEN ANSWERED FULLY. THE ALMIGHTY HAS HIS OWN PURPOSES. "WOE UNTO THE WORLD BECAUSE OF OFFENSES FOR IT MUST NEEDS BE THAT OFFENSES COME BUT WOE TO THAT MAN BY WHOM THE OFFENSE COMETH."

IF WE SHALL SUPPOSE THAT AMERICAN SLAVERY IS ONE OF THOSE OFFENSES WHICH IN THE PROVIDENCE OF GOD MUST NEEDS COME BUT WHICH HAVING CONTINUED THROUGH HIS APPOINTED TIME HE NOW WILLS TO REMOVE AND THAT HE GIVES TO BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH THIS TERRIBLE WAR AS THE WOE DUE TO THOSE BY WHOM THE OFFENSE CAME SHALL WE DISCERN THEREIN ANY DEPARTURE FROM THOSE DIVINE ATTRIBUTES WHICH THE BELIEVERS IN A LIVING GOD ALWAYS ASCRIBE TO HIM. FONDLY DO WE HOPE. FERVENTLY DO WE PRAY. THAT THIS MIGHTY SCOURGE OF WAR MAY SPEEDILY PASS AWAY. YET IF GOD WILLS THAT IT CONTINUE UNTIL ALL THE WEALTH PILED BY THE BONDSMAN'S TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY YEARS OF UNREQUITTED TOIL SHALL BE SUNK AND UNTIL EVERY DROP OF BLOOD DRAWN WITH THE LASH SHALL BE PAID BY ANOTHER DRAWN WITH THE SWORD AS WAS SAID THREE THOUSAND YEARS AGO SO STILL IT MUST BE SAID "THE JUDGMENTS OF THE LORD ARE TRUE AND RIGHTEOUS ALTOGETHER." WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE WITH CHARITY FOR ALL WITH FIRMNESS IN THE RIGHT AS GOD GIVES US TO SEE THE RIGHT LET US STRIVE ON TO FINISH THE WORK WE ARE IN TO BIND UP THE NATION'S WOUNDS TO CARE FOR HIM WHO SHALL HAVE BORNE THE BATTLE AND FOR HIS WIDOW AND HIS ORPHAN TO DO ALL WHICH MAY ACHIEVE AND CHERISH A JUST AND LASTING PEACE AMONG OURSELVES AND WITH ALL NATIONS.

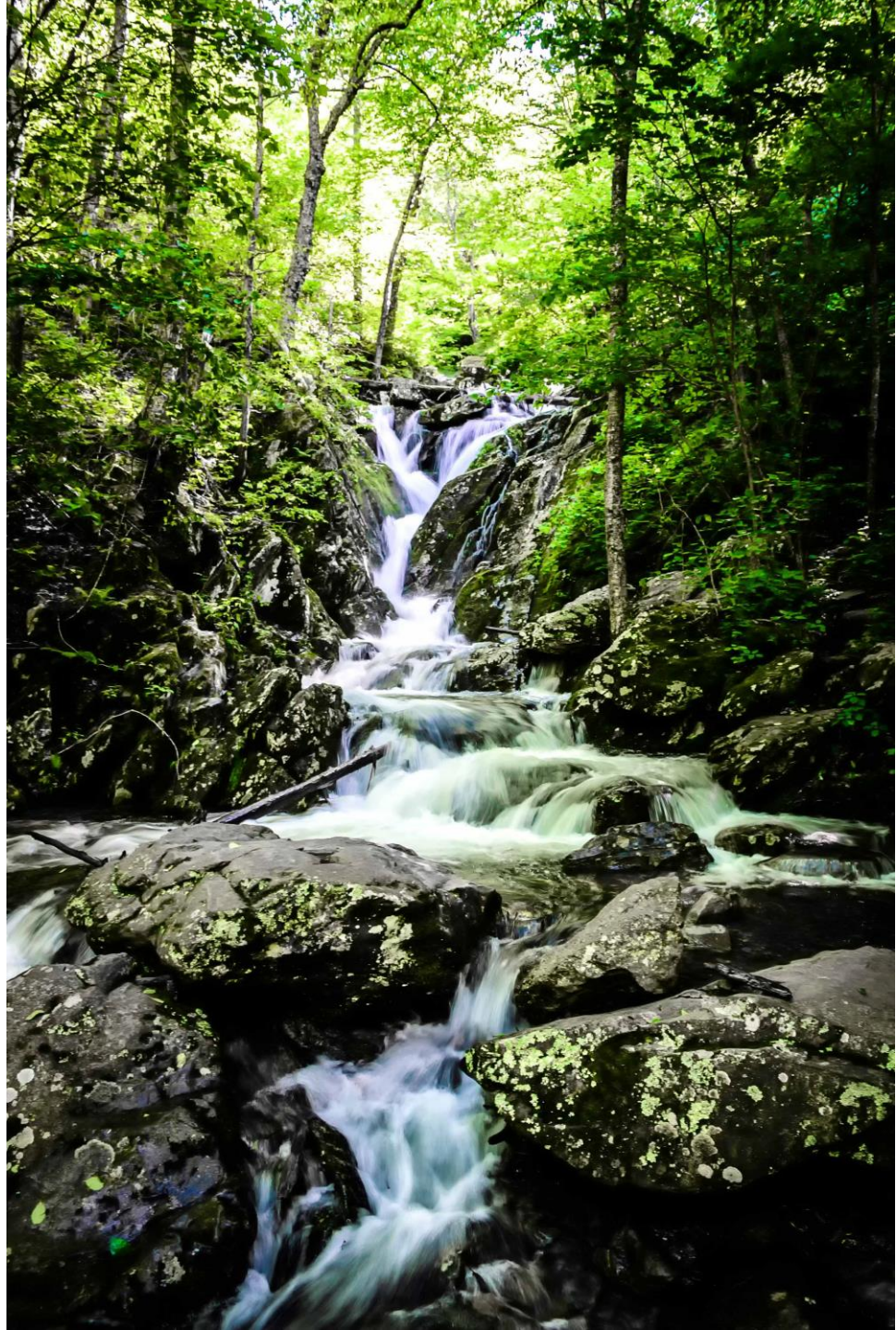




























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2 Nephi 1:73

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Helaman 5:67

And if ye believe on His name,
ye will repent of all your sins.

That thereby ye may have remission of them through His merits.

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Mike aides children;

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Westin forges steel;

Kristin feeds infants;

Mike visits homes.

- A Mike aides children;
- B Kristin comforts babies;
- C Westin likes metal;
- X The active Barrett Family.
- C' Steel is forged by the son;
- B' The mom manages infant nourishment;
- A' Her Husband visits family homes.

And they that believe in Him shall be saved;

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WE WERE HOPELESSLY CUT OFF SAVE FOR HIS OPPOSITION TO OUR ETERNAL DESTRUCTION

But the real message of OPPOSITION IN ALL THINGS was/is:

- EVERYTHING WAS FALLEN
- EVERYONE OF US WAS CUT OFF.
- NO HOPE OF OURSELVES
- SO THE SAVIOR TOOK ON FLESH TO DIE FOR OUR SIN IN OPPOSITION TO THE
ETERNAL PUNISHMENT THAT FACED US.
- THAT IS THE GREAT OPPOSITION IN ALL THINGS. NOT A WARNING THAT
THINGS CAN GO BAD; BUT THE HOPE THAT BECAUSE ALL WAS BAD, HE
BECAME THE REMEDY FOR GOOD.

WHAT A SAVIOR! WILL YOU COME TO HIM, AND WALK IN THE WAY WITH HIM.

Gave him much more than those cans could be worth.

The savior comes to you offering salvation, something you don't have and never will on your own.

He didn't ask me, he didn't come seeking me out begging for my help, or panhandling for a buck.

Gave him lunch for several days.

Buy you an eternal lunch.

Last Week--

The Book of Mormon Teaches 'The Law' was a Type and Shadow

Alma 16:215

And behold,

this is the whole meaning of the law,

every whit a **pointing to that great and last sacrifice.**

And that great and last sacrifice will be the Son of God,

yea, infinite and eternal.

And thus He shall bring salvation to all those who shall believe on His name.

Came to us in His Mercy to Save Us

Book of Mormon

Alma 3:57

Behold, He sendeth an invitation unto all men, **for the arms of mercy are extended** toward them, And He saith, ' Repent, and I will receive you ';

Alma 19:97 And **now the plan of mercy could not be brought about, except an atonement should be made; Therefore, God Himself atoneth for the sins of the world to bring about the plan of mercy** to appease the demands of justice, that God might be a perfect just God and a merciful God also.

Ether 1:77 "Behold, **I Am He which 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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Titus 3:5

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to **his mercy** he saved us, by the **washing of regeneration,** and **renewing of the Holy Ghost;**

Romans 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, **while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**



What Was the Message of the Day?

The Law of Moses was Fulfilled.

Paul, Apostles Teach:

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But the Book of Mormon is even more Clear:

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Galatians 3:24

Wherefore the law was our **schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ,**
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112 And also holy prophets spake unto them concerning His coming,

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[2 Nephi 11:45-46](#)

**And notwithstanding we believe in Christ,
We keep the law of Moses and look forward
with steadfastness unto Christ until the law shall be fulfilled,
For, for this end was the law given
Wherefore, the law hath become dead unto us, And we are made
alive in Christ because of our faith;**

Notice 'Direct' reference to the Law of Moses

Acts 13:38-39 (KJ)

Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren,
that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:
And by him all that believe are justified from all things,
from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

Paul Teaches—short(er) reference to ‘The Law’

Galatians 2:16

Knowing that a man is not **justified by the works of the law**,
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For by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

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WHAT 'LAW?' The same as Acts 13:

The WORKS OF THE LAW OF MOSES

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NT 'The Law' = 'Torah' from Old Testament

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The 'Deeds of the Law'

Romans 3:20

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

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

Romans 3:27

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

By what law? of works?

Nay: but by **the law of faith**.

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

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

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

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

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

the prophets;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by

faith **without the deeds of the law.**

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

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

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

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The Law of Righteousness (From Romans 9/10)

Paul's Metaphor of Marriage

Romans 7

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1 Know ye not, brethren,
(for I speak to them that
know the law,) how that
the law hath dominion over
a man as long as he liveth?

2 For the woman which
hath an husband is bound
by the law to her husband
so long as he liveth;

but if the husband be dead,
she is loosed from the law
of her husband.

3 So then if, while her
husband liveth, she be
married to another man,

she shall be called an
adulteress:

but if her husband be dead,
she is free from that law; so
that she is no adulteress,
though she be married to
another man.

4 Wherefore, my brethren,
ye also are become dead to
the law by the body of
Christ;

that ye should be married
to another, even to him
who is raised from the
dead, that we should bring
forth fruit unto God.

5 For when we were in the
flesh, the motions of sins,
which were by the law, did
work in our members to
bring forth fruit unto death.

6 But now we are delivered
from the law, that being
dead wherein we were
held; that we should serve
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The Law of Righteousness **(From Romans 9/10)**

The Law of Sin and Death (flesh) vs the Law of God (Spirit)

Salvation Comes NOT through the Law of Moses

Romans 8:3

For what **the law could not do**,
in that it was weak **through the flesh**,
God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin,

condemned sin in the flesh:

From Last Week—C.O.O.C

Romans 9:31 But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness.

Romans 9:32 Wherefore? **Because they sought it not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law.** For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

Romans 10:4 **For Christ is the end of the law** for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Galatians 2:19

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Galatians 2:21

I do not frustrate **the grace of God**:
for if **righteousness come by the law**,
then Christ is dead in vain.

What Does the Bible Teach

Hebrews 10:1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.

Stating that the Law of Moses could not bring perfection, no matter what.

If it Could, then Jesus died in vain per Galatians 2:21

What Does the Book of Mormon Teach??

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Important to Understand....

The message of 'Faith' was never 'just accept Jesus in your heart' and you are in the way.

It was ALWAYS contrasted to the Mosaic Law. The 'Law of Works' being contrasted to 'The Law of Faith'—i.e. Faith in Hebrew means to be firm and steadfast. Literally Firm like a wall.

But ONCE WE REALIZE the BIBLE COMMANDED
THE WORKS OF JESUS, THEN IT ALL MAKES SENSE

James 2:

23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

THE APOSTLES WERE ALL AGREED

Book of Mormon states The Word came out from Apostles IN PURITY

[1 Nephi 3:165-166](#)

And the angel of the Lord said unto me:

"Thou hast beheld that the book proceeded forth from the mouth of a Jew;
And when it proceeded forth from the mouth of a Jew it contained the fullness of the gospel of the Lord, of whom the twelve apostles bore record,
And they bore record according to the truth which is in the Lamb of God;

Wherefore, these things go forth from the Jews in purity unto the Gentiles, according to the truth which is in God.

BUT SOME OF THE WORD WAS CHANGED

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[1 Nephi 3:167-168](#)

And after that they go forth by the hand of the twelve apostles of the Lamb from the Jews unto the Gentiles, Behold, after this thou seest the formation of that great and abominable church, which is the most abominable of all other churches.

For behold, they have taken away from the gospel of the Lamb many parts which are plain and most precious,

And also many covenants of the Lord have they taken away;

There is no problem reconciling James and Paul

James 2

10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

11 For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.

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James 2

12 So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.

13 For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.

14 What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?

What is 'Our Work?'

The Book of Mormon teaches:

Ultimately to acknowledge our own unworthiness and the all-worthiness of Jesus.

If that is the attitude within us, then everything else will flow out from it.

If so, then the outflow

Ephesians 2

8 For **by grace are ye saved through faith,** and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.

9 **Not of works, lest any man should boast.**

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Ephesians 2 —The Missing Scripture

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

Titus 2

11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation **hath appeared to all men,**

12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14 **Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.**

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Titus 3

4 But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,

5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

6 Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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

- Bible Question:
- Was Israel's 40 years in the wilderness before or after they passed through the parted sea?
- Was Jesus 40 days in the wilderness before or after his baptism?
- The transformation happens AFTER our covenant, after we receive the holy ghost.
- EVERY HUMAN IS WALKING THROUGH HIS OR HER WILDERNESS. YOU CAN LOOK AT SOCIETY TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DON'T WALK WITH THE WORD AND THE SPIRIT.
- The point is that God's plan is to ARM you with the word and spirit so you can find the promised land. BUT THE POINT IS THAT in this wilderness is the OPPOSITION in ALL THINGS. You are free to choose. God's spirit, God's word shows and teaches you the way to choose, with NO LAWS dictating the choice.
- That is why salvation is yours to choose or reject.
- DOES ANYONE KNOW OF ANOTHER WAY TO SALVATION?
- PAUL WAS NOT SIMPLY SAYING BELIEVE IN YOUR HEART. BELIEVING, REPENTING, BAPTIZING ARE ALL ELEMENTS OF THE WHOLE, BUT USED INDIVIDUALLY SIMPLY REPRESENT THE ENTIRE ENTERING IN THE WAY.
- ISN'T THE BOOK OF MORMON BEAUTIFUL IN THIS PLAIN REVELATION OF TRUTH TO US?
- THE ARGUMENT MODERN CHRISTIANS HAVE HAD SINCE LUTHER'S SUGGESTIONS OF 'NO WORKS, FAITH ALONE' DID NOT EXIST IN THE DAY OF JESUS AND THE APOSTLES. THE ARGUMENT IS OF OUR MAKING, BY LIMITED UNDERSTANDING OF LANGUAGE, AND CERTAIN REMOVAL FROM CONTEXT.

Be aware

If you read EVERY bible passage associated with some aspect of salvation, you can not conclude it is one element only.

GENTILES have FORCED that Narrative because they can't argue the other points without finding objection from other scripture.

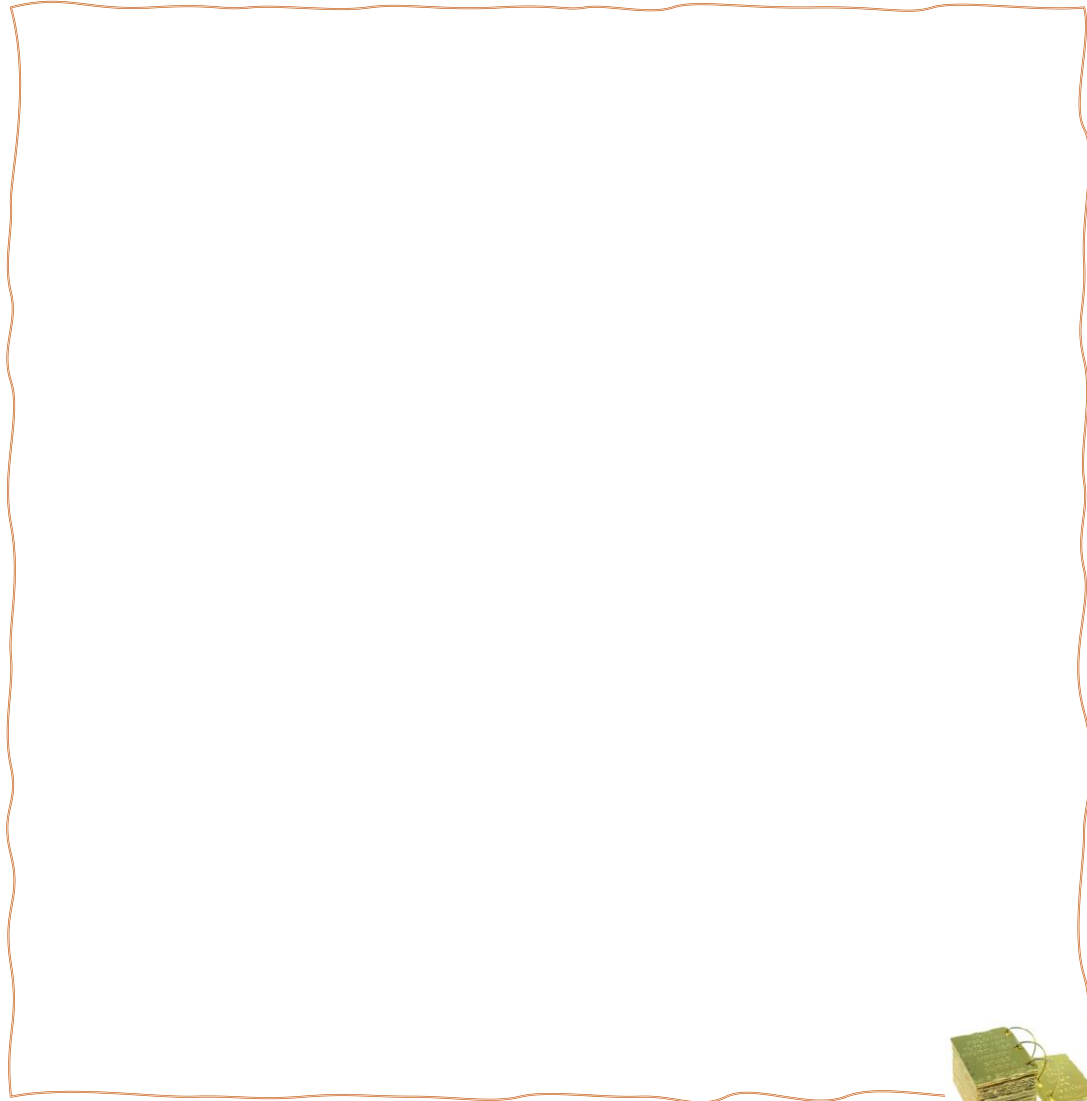
SO, some conclude this has to be the answer.

THIS IS WHY WE HAVE THE BOOK OF MORMON. Takes all these elements, organized, cohesive, spiritually refreshing. Teaches ALL these elements BRING YOU INTO THE WAY. NOT JUST BAPTISM, BUT IT IS BAPTISM as a function like a GATE.

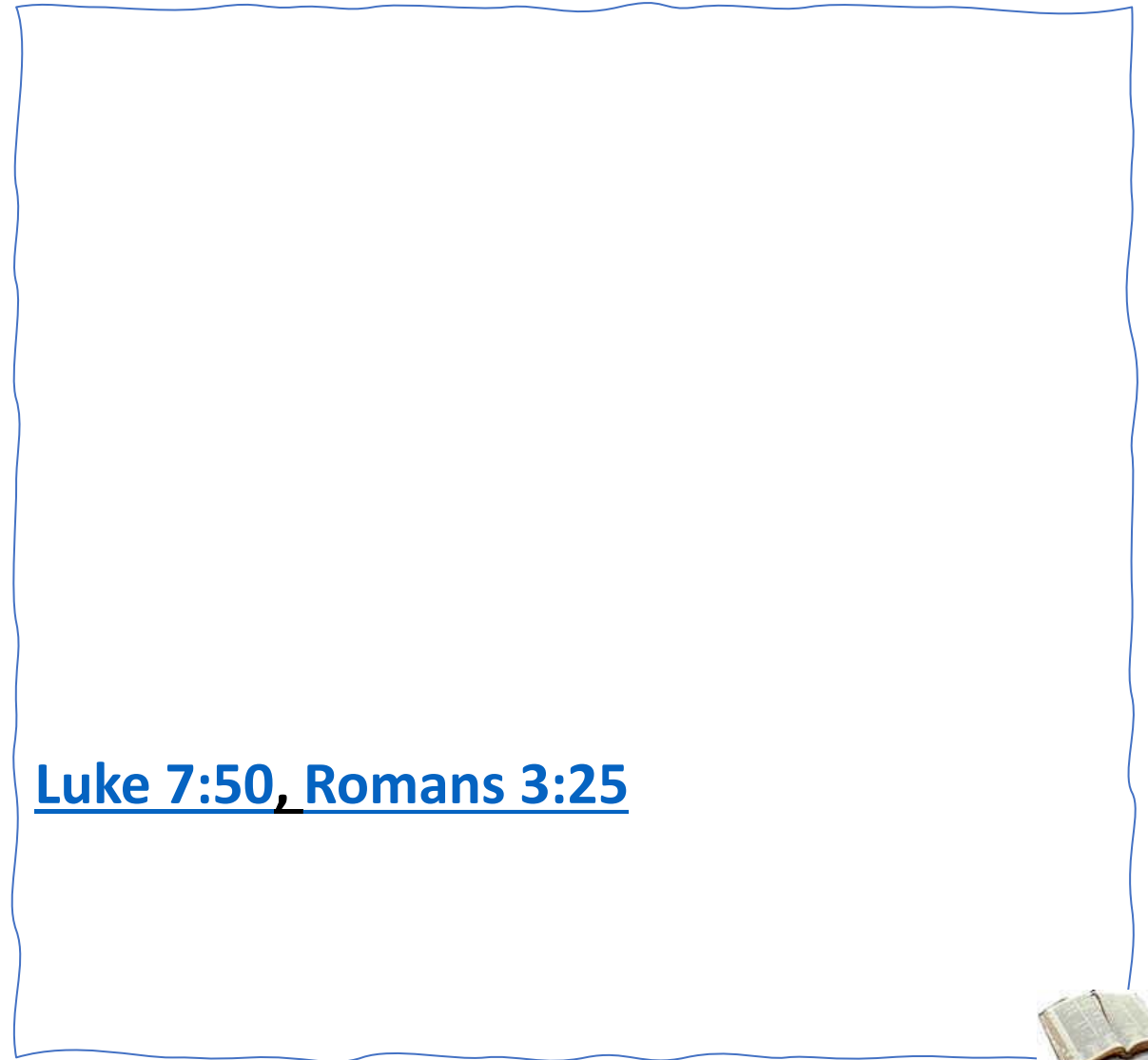
This works discussion is foolishness of the Gentiles. Extrapolate a discussion that didn't take place 2000 years ago, wrest the entire Judaic record, making it something of their own making.

TEMPLATE

Book of Mormon



Bible



Luke 7:50, Romans 3:25



The Book of Mormon Teaches:

- Calling On His Name
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Taking/Calling Upon His Name

Book of Mormon

3 Nephi 12:18 Have they not read the scriptures which saith, 'Ye **must take upon you the name of Christ, ' which is My name?**

For by this **name** shall ye be called at the last day,

And whoso **taketh** upon him My **name** and endureth to the end, the same shall be saved at the last day.



Bible

Romans 10:13 For whosoever **shall call upon the name of the** Lord shall be saved.

1 John 3:23 And this is his commandment, That we should believe on **the name of** his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.



Faith by the Savior's Blood Shed

Book of Mormon

Bible

1 Nephi 3:117

And behold, they are righteous forever.
For because of their **faith in the Lamb of God**,
their garments are made white in
His **blood**."



Luke 22:20

Likewise also the cup after supper, saying,
This cup is the new testament in my **blood**,
which is **shed** for you.;

Luke 7:50, Romans 3:25



Change of Heart (Born Again)

Book of Mormon

Bible

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

Alma 3:86 Yea, to preach unto all - both old and young, both bond and free; Yea, I say unto you - the aged and also the middle aged, and the rising generation - **Yea, to cry unto them that they must repent and be born again.**



John 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

John 3:7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be **born again.**



Repentance

Book of Mormon

Alma 5:24 Now I say unto you, **that ye must repent** and be **born again**,

For the Spirit saith: "If ye are not born again, ye cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven."

Alma 19:12 But behold, ye **cannot hide your crimes from God**, And except ye **repent**, they will stand as a testimony against you at the last day.

Mormon 3:25 Know ye that **ye must come unto repentance** or ye cannot be saved!



Bible

Mark 6:12 And they went out, and preached that men should **repent**.

Mark 1:4

John did baptize in the wilderness, and **preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins**.

Luke 13:5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye **repent**, ye shall all likewise perish.



Baptism by Water

Book of Mormon

Alma 3:108

I speak by **way** of command unto you that belong to the church.

And unto those which do not belong to the church, I speak by **way** of invitation, saying,

Come and be baptized unto repentance that ye also may be partakers of the fruit of the tree of life.

Alma 5:25 Therefore, **come and be baptized unto repentance**, that ye may be washed from your sins.

That ye may have **faith on the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world, which is mighty to save and to cleanse from all unrighteousness.**



Bible

Acts 10:47 Can any man forbid **water**, that these should not be **baptized**, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

Matthew 3:16 And Jesus, when he was **baptized**, went up straightway out of the **water**: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:



Baptism by the Holy Ghost

Book of Mormon

2 Nephi 13:16 Wherefore my beloved brethren, I know that if ye shall follow the Son with full purpose of heart, Acting no hypocrisy and no deception before God, but with real intent, repenting of your sins, **Witnessing unto the Father that ye are willing to take upon you the name of Christ by baptism,** Yea, by following your Lord and Savior down into the water according to His word, **Behold, then shall ye receive the Holy Ghost;**

2 Nephi 13:24 For the gate by which ye should enter is repentance and **baptism** by water, And then cometh a remission of your sins by fire and by the **Holy Ghost,**

3 Nephi 4:50 And **whoso cometh unto Me with a broken heart and a contrite spirit, him will I baptize with fire and with the Holy Ghost,** Even as the Lamanites, because of their faith in Me at the time of their conversion, **were baptized with fire and with the Holy Ghost, And they knew it not.**



Bible

Acts 11:16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the **Holy Ghost.**

Acts 19:6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the **Holy Ghost** came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.



Note: Bible (KJ NT) Speaks of ALL these Requirements

- Calling On His Name ([Romans 10:13](#), [1 John 3:23](#), [John 3:18](#), [Acts 2:21](#))
- Faith by the Savior's Blood Shed ([Luke 7:50](#), [Romans 3:25](#))
- Change of Heart (Born Again) ([John 3:3-16](#))
- Repentance ([Matthew 3:8](#), [Acts 17:30](#))
- Baptism by Water ([Matt 28:19](#), [John 1:33](#), [Acts 10:47](#))
- Baptism by the Holy Ghost-laying on of Hands ([Acts 11:16](#), [Acts 19:6](#))
- (Is all done?) Coming In At the Gate. ([James 2:14](#), [Matthew 7:14](#))
- Bearing Fruit/Living by the Word and Spirit Leading ([Matthew 3:10](#), [John 15:8](#))
- Enduring to the End. ([Matthew 24:13](#), [James 1:3](#))
- Judged by Works ([James 2:14](#), [Revelation 20:12](#))
- Jesus IS THE KEEPER OF THE GATE ([John 10:9](#))
- Saved in God's Kingdom. ([John 3:17](#))

(Is all done?) Living by the Word and Spirit, Bearing Fruit

Book of Mormon

2 Nephi 13:27-31 And now my beloved brethren, after that ye have got into this strait and narrow path, I would ask if **all is done**.

Behold, I say unto you, Nay; For ye have not come thus far save it were by the word of Christ, with unshaken faith in Him, Relying wholly upon the merits of Him who is mighty to save.

Wherefore, ye must press forward with a steadfastness in Christ, Having a perfect brightness of hope and a love of God and of all men.

Wherefore, if ye shall press forward, feasting upon the word of Christ and endure to the end, "Behold, " thus saith the Father, "ye shall have eternal life."

31 And now behold, my beloved brethren, this is the way, And there is none other way nor name given under heaven whereby man can be saved in the kingdom of God.



Bible

Romans 7:4 Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, **that we should bring forth fruit unto God.**

Titus 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, **zealous** of good works.

Matthew 7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.



JESUS FIRST WORDS OF INSTRUCTION TO NEPHITES UPON “LANDING”

- NO DISPUTATION ABOUT BAPTISM.
- This is specifically about the act of baptism and the criteria for who is baptized.
- BUT NOTICE HIS PROMISE—WHOEVER WILL COME WITH BROKEN AND CONTRITE WILL RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST. THAT QUALIFIES HIM FOR SALVATION, LIKELY EVEN IF WATER BAPTISM HASN'T OCCURRED (I HAVE TO SAY THIS IS MY OPINION, BUT COULD BE WRONG). DON'T LET THIS CONCERN YOU, BUT BE AWARE PEOPLE CAN BE BAPTIZED BY God directly with the Holy Ghost, how do you know? By there fruits, discernment.
- BUT ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTIZED BY THE SPIRIT SEEMED EVENTUALLY TO BE WATER BAPTIZED. And this was required to be 'complete.' WE SEE IT IN THE BOOK OF MORMON. Ammon's converted lamanites were spiritually changed, but waited to return to Zarahemla, then they were baptized.
- What was ammon's issue with 'worthiness' to baptize? Never explains.
- There is an authority by succession, Noahs forefathers were descendants of Zarahemla from King Benjamin's days—connect the historical dots.

Symbolic baptism of Israelites in the Red Sea.

You come up out of the water into 'new life' but that 'new life' is a wilderness when you will be tried, tempted, challenged. Whether you will live everyday by God's word (manna) TELLING you what to do; if you will be led every day by God's spirit (fire and cloud for Israelites) SHOWING YOU WHAT TO DO.

Walking in the way

Show the two videos, gene kim and the saved by faith only dude.

Show how each is out of context.

Show the works descriptions.

Show how bible teaches we are created to do good works, and judged by works.

Isn't the book of Mormon describing the complete picture???

While there are more than this and we could go into more depth, take these three items

- Ephesians 2:8-9
 - Believe only
 - Paul didn't baptize
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- (I won't take the depth with each one, but happy to).
 - You need to see the common issue of the day: THE LAW OF MOSES WAS DONE. JEWS DIDN'T GET THAT. THE WORKS THEY REFERRED TO WERE WORKS OF THE MOSAIC LAW. BELIEVING IN CHRIST WAS A EUPHEMISM FOR THE SAME LARGER LANGUAGE OF COMING IN AT THE WAY. There has never been 'another way' these issues of gentile making strain at the gnat, miss the larger meaning.

BUT WHAT IS THE POINT OF ALL THIS

Walk the walk of life in submission, meekness, acknowledging our unworthiness.

If studying has done anything for me, it increasingly shows I don't deserve any of, my works were nothing, it was about his righteousness, I am unworthy of his infinite sacrifice for me.

No room for arrogance. Be wary of doctrines of arrogance. Fred Knapp's grandmother. Taking counsel that wasn't even commandment, and making it the definition of salvation. Brigham did this—had to have your spiritual wives, WoW, full tithe.

Sola Fide—Faith Alone

- The Banner for Many Christian Protestant Churches
- ‘Faith Alone’
- But where does this come from?
- And it is correct if we understand the larger context of ‘faith’ that was to replace something else.
- The HEBREW Definition of ‘Faith’ is to be FIRM and STEADFAST—
EXACTLY AS THE BOOK OF MORMON TEACHES

How many variations of Christianity?

Some estimate over 40,000

- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Christian_denominations_by_number_of_members
- Variations because: piece of scripture and argued it as better doctrine.
- Can't delve into each one. You can know all the ways not to do something, or you can know the way, compare everything to it.
- Gentiles would Stumble

The Book of Mormon Teaches:

1 Nephi 3:175 And because of these things which are taken away out of the gospel of the Lamb, **An exceeding great many do stumble**, yea, insomuch that Satan hath great power over them.

1 Nephi 3:183 And after that the Gentiles do stumble exceedingly because of the most plain and most precious parts of the gospel of the Lamb which hath been kept back by that abominable church which is the mother of harlots, 'saith the Lamb, 'Wherefore, I will be merciful unto the Gentiles in that day, 'saith the Lamb, 'Insomuch **that I will bring forth unto them in Mine own power much of My gospel, which shall be plain and most precious**, 'saith the Lamb.

3 Nephi 9:92 For thus it behooveth the Father that it (*THE BOOK OF MORMON*) 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,**

'The Beat' Video--States

- Water baptism is (fundamentally) a Public Expression
- Salvation is when you believe/confess
- Baptism is something later, you should get to it eventually. A command, but not 'associated' with Salvation

The Book of Mormon Teaches:

- Baptism (by Water) is a witness TO GOD that you are willing to take his name.
- Baptism by water is when we are given His name.
- Baptism by water is part of 'the Gate' we must enter to receive the Holy Ghost.
- Baptism by water is Following Jesus.

2 Nephi 13:16 Wherefore my beloved brethren, I know that if ye shall follow the Son with full purpose of heart, Acting no hypocrisy and no deception before God, but with real intent, repenting of your sins, Witnessing unto the Father that ye are willing to take upon you the name of Christ by baptism,



‘The Old Path’ Video—States:

- Perhaps baptismal scripture are ‘stumbling blocks’
- Refuse to believe salvation is by any other way than ‘Grace by Faith’
- Want to ‘have something to do with it.’ (Implying Baptism is a work/our work)
- Baptism is trying to ‘Manipulate’ our salvation, having something to do with it.
- Can’t just let it go, to say ‘Jesus did it all.’
- Jesus wants you to believe in Salvation by Grace through Faith
- Accuses others of taking scripture ‘out of context.’
- Believing in baptism is ‘rejecting the whole of scripture’ and ‘just single out this one little verse here.’
- States ‘baptism connected to salvation’ contradicts (hundreds) of verses

John 3:16 is same words of Jesus as John 3:3-5

3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

Will come to thief on Cross in separate class.

Paul—sent me not to baptize....

(after next video)

‘What Must I Do to be Saved’

So Engrained in Evangelical world that any action taken by us is ‘a work’ that can’t be intellectually honest about most of the New Testament.

The Old Path Pastor states, ‘the only time the question is asked ‘what must I do to be saved’ **baptism is never mentioned.**’ (his statement).

What does Acts actually record?? Acts 16

Acts 16:30-33

30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, **what must I do to be saved?**

31 And they said, *Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.*

...

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30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

31 And they said, *Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.*

32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.

33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

This church 'The Old Path txb' website....

Saved by faith....but judging people 'by their works'



Dr. Gene Kim
UC BERKELEY & PBI

SAN JOSE BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Video—'Pastor Dr. Gene Kim'

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

1 Peter 3:21

Dr Kim does not read the text, just states it is disproven.

21 The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

Has many videos condemning popular Evangelical Pastors for 'Not Preaching God's Word'

(I am Perplexed...'Baptists' preaching 'against baptism.'
Don't they need to change their name or something??)

Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers

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

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(Also mention the word 'wait tables' was the word deacon.

Phoebe was diakonos. Meant waiter.

Pulpit Commentary

Verse 17. - Sent me not to baptize, but; that is, according to Semitic idiom, "not so much to baptize, as" ([Matthew 28:19](#)).

St. Paul again "goes off" at this word, and dwells for eight verses on the character of his preaching. Not in wisdom of words; not, that is, in a philosophic and oratorical style. The simplicity of the style and teaching of the apostles awoke the sneers of philosophers like Celsus and Porphyry. The cross of Christ. The central doctrine of Christianity, the preaching of a crucified Redeemer. Should be made void. **The rendering of the Authorized Version is too strong; the cross cannot "be made of none effect."**

The word means "should be emptied" (comp. [1 Corinthians 9:15](#); [2 Corinthians 9:3](#); [Philippians 2:7](#); [Romans 4:14](#)); made void of its special and independent power. The words, "the cross of Christ," form the emphatic end of the sentence in the Greek.

Commanded=Arranged to be baptized.

English Standard Version

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

New International Version

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

New Living Translation

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

Berean Study Bible

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

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The word "sent" (**apestelein**) involves the meaning "made me an apostle" (**apostolos**). The primary function of the apostles was "to bear witness" ([Mark 16:15](#); [Acts 1:8](#), etc.). To preach the gospel.

Faith Alone—per Martin Luther

Paul Baptizing

Acts 16:

30 And brought them out, and said, **Sirs, what must I do to be saved?**

31 And they said, **Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.

33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; **and was baptized**, he and all his, straightway.

34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

Paul's Baptism-Acts 22:

11 And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.

12 And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt there,

13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.

15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.

16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

Paul's Teaching-Ephesians 5

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

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

26 That he might sanctify and **cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,**

Is the word a parallel for the flesh, cleansing like baptism

Peter/Paul/Philip

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

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

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

Peter/Paul/Philip

Acts 8:12

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

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

John States

John 1:33 And I knew him not: **but he that sent me to baptize with water,** the same said unto me,

Crispus' baptism Acts 18 (by Paul)

4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

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

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

7 And he departed thence, and entered

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

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

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

...

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

Pauls Teaching

Romans 6

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

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

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

Pauls Teaching

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

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

Pauls Teaching—Galatians 3

23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law,
shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.
(the law kept hidden)

**24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster
to bring us unto Christ,**

that we might be justified by faith. (Faith meaning everything that brings you through the gate)

**25 But after that faith is come,
we are no longer under a schoolmaster.**

26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

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

John States....

If Paul wasn't commissioned to baptize then why did John write this?

Paul's point

Left to ordained local ministry to baptize.

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

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

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

Acts 6:1

King James Bible

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

New American Standard Bible

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

Acts 6:2 (King James Bible)

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

And Serve Tables Greek= The word Deacon

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διακονεῖν (diakonein)

[in order] to wait on

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Verb - Present Infinitive Active

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

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

Acts 10:48

KJ

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

NASB 1995

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

he ordered that

προσέταξεν (prosetaxen)

Verb - Aorist Indicative Active - 3rd Person Singular

Strong's Greek 4367: (a) I instruct, command, (b) I appoint, assign. From pros and tasso; to arrange towards, i.e. enjoin.

Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers

(Acts 10:48) **And he commanded them . . .**--It would seem from this that St. Peter acted on the same general principle as St. Paul ([1Corinthians 1:14-17](#)), and **left the actual administration of baptism to other hands than his own**. Who administered it in this instance we are not told. Possibly there may have been an *ecclesia* already organised at Caesarea, as the result of Philip's work, and its elders or deacons, or Philip himself, may have acted under Peter's orders. If those who came with him from Joppa had so acted, it would probably we may believe, have been stated.

Diakonos

1 Corinthians 1:17

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

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

1 Corinthians 1:14

King James Bible

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

Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers

(14) **I thank God.**--"I am thankful to God that it was not so." For if he had baptised a great many, some might have said he had created originally a party in his own name. Crispus (see [Acts 18:8](#)), a "ruler of the synagogue," Gaius (or Caius, his Roman name), "mine host, and of the whole Church" ([Romans 16:23](#)): the evident importance and position of these two, and that they were the first converts, may account for the Apostle having departed from his usual practice in baptising them.

1 Corinthians 1:15

King James Bible

Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.

1 Corinthians 1:16

King James Bible

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

1 Corinthians 1:17

King James Bible

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Such, and not inability or ignorance, was the grand cause of his simplicity.

Study Bible

[The Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit](#)

...**47**"Can anyone withhold the water to baptize these people? They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have!" **48**[So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to stay for a few days.](#)[Berean Study Bible](#) · [Download](#)

Cross References

[Acts 2:38](#)

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

[Acts 8:16](#)

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

[Acts 19:5](#)

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

[1 Corinthians 1:14](#)

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

[1 Corinthians 1:17](#)

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

Preaching of Baptism by...

Mark 1:4

John did baptize in the wilderness,
and **preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.**

Bible verses Completely Out Of Context

- Ephesians 2:8-9
- Romans 3:28

The Way is ALL THESE THINGS

- We should use this term. Coming into the way. Points to the larger point. Not just baptized but prospering in the holy ghost, seeking daily.
- Faith is firmness LIKE A WALL.

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And the remission of sins

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And because of meekness and lowliness of heart

cometh the visitation of the Holy Ghost,

Which Comforter filleth with hope

and perfect love.

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