

Why Study?

Does Anyone like to Read??



# Reading...vs. Studying...is there a difference?

- Both Good.
- Can be same intent.
- Purposes for reading
- Difference between reading and studying?

# What is the Point of Either Reading or Studying??

So you are changed.

[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,

# How to Study? Four Steps

Study is Different than (just) reading.

- Purposefully set aside time
- Prepare a Place free of distractions
- Have materials available. Books, online tools, paper, writing.
  - I have a couple sets of scriptures, one just for marking up with notes.
- Prepare your heart, confess, be honest. God will fill in what's missing.

# Tech Stuff

Online

Tools

Is it better than 'Traditional?'

A problem with 'tech' study, specifically 'word searches'



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What is the 'blank'???

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But here is the real question:.....WHY??

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81 "For it must needs be that there is an **opposition** in all things;

82 If not so, my firstborn in the wilderness, righteousness could not be brought to pass- neither wickedness, neither holiness, nor misery, neither good, nor bad.

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## PARALLELISM

### 6.1 *Introductory*

#### *Parallelism*

Parallelism is universally recognised as the characteristic feature of biblical Hebrew poetry although it is also used extensively in kindred Semitic verse (notably Akkadian) as well as elsewhere.<sup>1</sup> Most introductions to Hebrew poetry, for instance, Gray's *The Forms of Hebrew Poetry*, provide a brief description of parallelism and then proceed to give a detailed classification of its sub-types: synonymous, antithetic, synthetic<sup>2</sup> and so on. My presentation here will be very different from the standard not simply to avoid duplication or out of sheer love of novelty but because the study of parallelism has been affected, recently, on two levels, both related to theory. Accordingly, a few basic notions of theory with particular reference to parallelism

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# Parallel 'Amplification' of Thought.

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# Look for Similar words, or Contrasting Words

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# Parallel words

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## Mosiah 8: 54-57

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And there cometh a resurrection, even a first resurrection; Yea, even a resurrection of those that have been, and which are, and which shall be, Even until the resurrection of Christ, for so shall He be called.

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

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

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