



The Final Prophecy

The Covenant with Joseph



Book of Mormon Prophecy

- Never Mentions Enoch
- Mentions Covenant with Abraham and Joseph.

The Promise To Abraham

- Abraham gave life to Israel (12 tribes) and Gentiles (12 tribes).
- These Nations have only known hostility.
- Promise brings an end to wars .
- The Covenant with Abraham results in New Jerusalem on Earth (no mention of a covenant with Enoch). Ether 6
- Israel Restored, Gentiles numbered among them.
- All See Eye to Eye in Jesus.
- But How?

Bible Symbolism the World Doesn't See

- Exodus Story—symbol of how people find salvation
- Joseph's Story—symbol of how Israel returns to God.

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Exodus Story

The symbol of how people find salvation:

- Repentance: Departing Egypt Pharaoh as Prisoners
- Baptism: Crossing the Red Sea, Being Born Again
- Receiving the Holy Ghost: Moses with the Law
- Enduring to the End: 40 Years in the wilderness
- Judgment, Salvation: Crossing to the Land of Promise

Important for Preserving:

- The Word
- The Lineage
- The People

Bible Symbolism the World Doesn't See

Joseph's Story



- Departs Israel to Foreign Land
- Rises to Power
- Returns to Israel
- All United because of Joseph

The Answer: The Covenants with Joseph (30,000 ft view)



- Joseph's lineage would be preserved.
 - These words not contained in the Bible, only the Book of Mormon
- Joseph's people's words would be preserved.

The Answer: The Covenants with Joseph (30,000 ft view)



- Those words guide Joseph's remnant (Nephites)
- They write a perfect Gospel of Jesus, not lost in translation.
- Those same words Guide Gentiles if they will respond.
- Those same words Eventually return to Joseph's people.
- These words SAVE ISRAEL.

Important Words only in Book of Mormon



[1 Nephi 1:165](#) (LDS: [1 Nephi 5:14](#))

Wherefore, **he knew that he was a descendant of Joseph,**

Yea, even that Joseph which was the son of Jacob which was sold into Egypt and which was preserved by the hand of the Lord,

that he might preserve his father Jacob and all his household from perishing with famine;

...169 And now when my father saw all these things, he was filled with the Spirit and **began to prophesy concerning his seed, That these plates of brass should go forth unto all nations, kindreds and tongues and people which were of his seed;**

170 Wherefore, he said that **these plates of brass should never perish, neither should they be dimmed anymore by time;**

...174 Wherefore, **it was wisdom in the Lord that we should carry them with us as we journeyed in the wilderness toward the Land of Promise.**

(RG Search 'Preserve')

Lehi's Important Words only in Book of Mormon

[2 Nephi 2:31](#) (LDS: [2 Nephi 3:16](#))

(on one from the Lineage of Joseph who would bring Salvation to the Remnant)

Yea, thus prophesied Joseph 'I am sure of this thing,

Even as I am sure of the promise of Moses,

For the Lord hath said unto me, "**I will preserve thy seed forever**";

[2 Nephi 6:105](#)

And because of His greatness and His grace and mercy,

He hath promised unto us that our seed shall not utterly be destroyed according to the flesh,

But that He would preserve them;

And in **future generations they shall become a righteous branch unto the house of Israel**

Nephi understood the Remnant of Joseph would be Preserved

2 Nephi 11:40 (LDS: 2 Nephi 25:21)

Wherefore for this cause hath the Lord God promised unto me that these things which I write shall be kept and preserved and handed down unto my seed from generation to generation:

That the promise may be fulfilled unto Joseph that his seed should never perish as long as the earth should stand.

The People/Lineage Needed to be Preserved

Alma 1:106 (LDS: Alma 2:21)

And this was **done that their seed might be distinguished** from the seed of their brethren,

that thereby the Lord God might preserve His people,

that they might not mix and **believe in incorrect traditions**

which would prove their destruction

(People preserved)

The Words Needed to be Preserved

Alma 17:33 (LDS: Alma 37:4)

And behold, it hath been prophesied by our fathers

That they should be kept and handed down

From one generation to another

And be kept and preserved by the hand of the Lord,

Until they shall go forth unto every nation, kindred, tongue and people,

That they shall know of the mysteries contained thereon

(Word was preserved)

Captain Moroni's Valor: The People had to be Preserved...



- ...So the Covenant with Joseph could be fulfilled.
- The Title of Liberty was about PRESERVING THE REMNANT ACCORDING TO JOSEPH'S PROPHECY.

Notice the Bible does not include this prophecy

- But it was contained in the Plates of Brass:

Genesis 37:

23 And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat, his coat of many colours that was on him;

24 And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit was empty, there was no water in it.

...31 And they took Joseph's coat, and killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood;

32 And they sent the coat of many colours, and they brought it to their father; and said, This have we found: know now whether it be thy son's coat or no.

Notice the Bible does not include this prophecy

- But it was contained in the Plates of Brass:

Genesis 37:

33 And he knew it, and said, It is my son's coat; an evil beast hath devoured him; **Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces.**

34 And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

35 And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said,
For I will go down into the grave unto my son mourning.
Thus his father wept for him.

Captain Moroni's Valor: The People had to be Preserved...



[Alma 21:42](#) (LDS: [Alma 46:13](#))

And he fastened on his headplate and his breastplate and his shields and girded on his armor about his loins, And he took the pole which had on the end thereof his rent coat and he **called it the title of liberty**.

And he bowed himself to the earth,

And he prayed mightily unto his God for the **blessings of liberty** to rest upon his brethren, so long as there should a band of Christians remain to possess the land –

[Alma 21:46](#) (LDS: [Alma 46:17](#))

And it came to pass that when he had poured out his soul to God, He gave all the land which was south of the Land Desolation, Yea, and in fine all the land, both on the north and on the south, a **chosen land and the land of liberty**.

[Alma 21:55](#) (LDS: [Alma 46:24](#))

Yea, and now behold, let us remember to keep the commandments of God, **Or our garments shall be rent by our brethren and we be cast into prison or be sold or be slain; Yea, let us preserve our liberty as a remnant of Joseph;**

(THE LAND OF LIBERTY WAS JOSEPH'S PRESERVATION, NOT (only) 4TH OF JULY)

Captain Moroni's Valor: The People had to be Preserved... So the Covenant would be Fulfilled.



Alma 21:55-59 Yea, and now behold, let us remember to keep the commandments of God, Or our garments shall be rent by our brethren and we be cast into prison or be sold or be slain;

Yea, let us preserve our liberty, as a remnant of Joseph;

Yea, let us remember **the words of Jacob before his death**, For behold, he saw that a part of the remnant of the coat of Joseph was preserved and had not decayed.

And he saith:

'Even as this remnant of garment of my son hath been preserved, (makes Parallel to coat)

So shall a remnant of the seed of my son be preserved by the hand of God and be taken unto Himself,

While the remainder of the seed of Joseph shall perish even as the remnant of his garment.

Now behold, this giveth my soul sorrow;

Nevertheless, my soul hath joy in my son because that part of his seed which shall be taken unto God!

Now behold, this was the language of Jacob;

(THESE WORDS FROM THE PLATES OF BRASS, EXCLUDED FROM THE BIBLE)

Wait...didn't Joseph Smith claim to be of Ephraim?

- YET The Book of Mormon implies the rest of Joseph Perished?

Isn't there a blessing on Ephraim?

DC 64:7b and the rebellious shall be cut off out of the land of Zion, and shall be sent away, and shall not inherit the land; for, verily, I say that the rebellious are not of the blood of **Ephraim**, wherefore they shall be plucked out.

DC 108:6c And they shall bring forth their rich treasures unto the children of **Ephraim** my servants. And the boundaries of the everlasting hills shall tremble at their presence.

DC 108:6d And then shall they fall down and be crowned with glory, even in Zion, by the hands of the servants of the Lord, even the children of **Ephraim**; and they shall be filled with songs of everlasting joy.

DC 108:6e Behold, this is the blessing of the everlasting God upon the tribes of Israel, and the richer blessing upon the head of **Ephraim** and his fellows.

Was Joseph Smith a descendant of Joseph of Egypt?

- Not by the Book of Mormon. The remnant preserved was of Lehi.
- Joseph saw that day.
- Jacob says the rest of Joseph would perish like the coat.

Lineage of Joseph Smith

Regardless, the Book of Mormon calls those of England ‘Gentiles’

1 Nephi 3: 150-153 (LDS: 1 Nephi 13:17)

And I beheld the wrath of God, that it was upon the seed of my brethren, And they were scattered before **the Gentiles** and they were smitten;

151 And I beheld **the Spirit of the Lord, that it was upon the Gentiles**, that they did prosper and obtain the land for their inheritance; And I beheld that they were white and exceeding fair and beautiful, like unto my people before that they were slain.

152 And it came to pass that **I, Nephi, beheld that the Gentiles which had gone forth out of captivity did humble themselves before the Lord**, And the power of the Lord was with them;

153 And **I beheld that their mother Gentiles were gathered together upon the waters**, and upon the land also, to battle against them;

(WHEN DOES THE BOOK OF MORMON CALL THESE “INCOGNITO EPHRAIM” ??)

To be the one 'Mighty and Strong'

- Had to be a descendant of Lehi's son Joseph (of Manasseh).
- Book of Mormon teaches the remnant of Joseph of Egypt preserved were ONLY those who came to America with Lehi.
- Where was Joseph Smith from? Was he a native to America?

Joseph Smiths forefathers....

Paternal Line (Smith Family):

- **Robert Smith Sr.** (1589–aft. 1666), Great-great-great-great-grandfather, **England** (Sutterton, Lincolnshire), Father of the immigrant ancestor; remained in England.
- **Robert Smith Jr.** (1626–1693), Great-great-great-grandfather, **England** (Sutterton, Lincolnshire), Emigrated to America in 1638; settled in Topsfield, Massachusetts.
- **Samuel Smith Sr.** (1666–1748), Great-great-grandfather, **England** (born in Topsfield, Massachusetts, to English immigrant parents), Known as a “gentleman” in local records; all descendants born in America.
- **Samuel Smith Jr.** (1714–1785), Great-grandfather, **England** (born in Rowley, Massachusetts), Revolutionary War veteran.
- **Asael Smith** (1744–1830), Grandfather, **England** (born in Topsfield, Massachusetts), Influential in family religious beliefs; predicted a descendant would impact religion.
- **Joseph Smith Sr.** (1771–1840), Father, **England** (born in Topsfield, Massachusetts),
Farmer and merchant; direct parent of Joseph Smith Jr.

Maybe Josephs Maternal line?

Maternal Line (Mack Family):

- **John Mack** (1652–1721), Great-great-great-grandfather, **Scotland** (born in Scotland; family ties debated, but primary records indicate Scottish birth before English settlement), Emigrated to America around 1660s; settled in Lyme, Connecticut. Some sources note possible Irish connections via deeper ancestry, but he hailed from Scotland.
- **Ebenezer Mack** (1696–1801?), Great-great-grandfather, **Scotland** (born in Lyme, Connecticut), Long-lived farmer.
- **Solomon Mack** (1732–1820), Grandfather, **Scotland** (born in Lyme, Connecticut), Adventurer, soldier in French and Indian War; wrote a memoir influencing the family; converted to Christianity late in life.
- **Lucy Mack Smith** (1775–1856), Mother, **Scotland** (born in Gilsum, New Hampshire), Direct parent; recorded family history and supported Joseph's prophetic calling.

What does Nephi call all these who emigrated from British Isles?

- GENTILES.

Joseph Smith was not..

- A Descendant of Manasseh
- Ephraim had died out.
- Lehi's prophecy is of his son Joseph's lineage, not Gentile lineage.
- Joseph Smith Jr. was NOT a descendant of Manasseh. He can not be the one of Lehi's prophecy.

2 Nephi 2: 44 And now behold, my son Joseph, after this manner did my father of old prophesy:
45 'Wherefore, because of this covenant, thou art blessed, For thy seed shall not be destroyed,
for they shall hearken unto the words of the book;
46 And there shall raise up one mighty among them which shall do much good, both in word
and in deed, Being an instrument in the hands of God, With exceeding faith
47 to work mighty wonders and do that thing which is great in the sight of God, **Unto the bringing
to pass much restoration unto the house of Israel and unto the seed of thy brethren.'**

Incidentally, Asking AI about Ephraim

- I asked AI: what is the likelihood that Ephraim died out...

Incidentally, Asking AI about Ephraim

Yes, “Ephraim” was often used as an idiomatic or symbolic term for the northern tribes of Israel that rebelled against the southern kingdom of Judah after the reign of King Solomon (around 930 BCE). Here’s a concise explanation:

- **Historical Context:** After Solomon’s death, the united kingdom of Israel split into two: the northern kingdom (Israel, comprising 10 tribes) and the southern kingdom (Judah, comprising Judah and Benjamin). The northern kingdom, led by Jeroboam, rebelled against Rehoboam, Solomon’s son, due to heavy taxation and forced labor policies (1 Kings 12:1-20).
- **Ephraim’s Role:** Ephraim was the most prominent tribe in the northern kingdom, both in size and influence. Its territory included key cities like Samaria, the capital of the northern kingdom. As a result, “Ephraim” became a shorthand or poetic reference for the entire northern kingdom of Israel in biblical texts.
- **Biblical Usage:** In prophetic writings, such as those of Isaiah, Hosea, and Jeremiah, “Ephraim” often represents the rebellious northern tribes collectively. For example:
 - Hosea 5:3: “I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hidden from me; for now, **O Ephraim, you have played the harlot; Israel is defiled.**”
 - Isaiah 7:2: “The house of David was told, ‘**Syria is in league with Ephraim,**’” referring to the northern kingdom’s alliance.
 - **Why Ephraim?:** Ephraim was one of the two sons of Joseph (along with Manasseh), and his tribe received a significant blessing from Jacob (Genesis 48:17-20), making it a leading tribe. **Its dominance in the northern kingdom made it a fitting symbol for the rebellious tribes.**

(THESE ARE THINGS THE RESTORATION MISSED...)

What Gentiles don't understand

- Ephraim is an IDIOMATIC WORD in the Bible.
- Ephraim was interchangeable with '10 Rebellious Tribes of Israel.'
- Ephraim was the largest tribe, while once blessed, eventually dwindled.
- It appears Gentiles pick up on this word 'Ephraim', thinking they are still the blessed tribe, and build a restoration narrative still believed today.
- But....God put his hand on Manasseh.

So Why MUST Joseph seed be Persevered?

- Josephs People (Manasseh) write the words that eventually Restore the Remnant to Jesus.
- The Remnant respond to the words which the Gentiles reject.
- The Remnant restored share the words with Israel.
- Israel/Jews respond to the Words.

So Why MUST Joseph seed be Persevered?

- BOTH THE REMNANT AND ISRAEL RETURN TO JESUS.
- Both Remnant and Israel build/rebuild Holy Cities. (Fulfills Abraham's Covenant)
- **This is the parallel to Joseph Saving his Family.**
- *The Jews shall have the words of the Nephites and the Nephites the words of the Jews. (2 Nephi 12:21 /LDS 2 Nephi 29:13)*

Joseph Saw the Nephite's Day

2 Nephi 2:6 (LDS: 2 Nephi 3:5)

And great were the covenants of the Lord which He made unto Joseph.

Wherefore, Joseph (*of Egypt*) truly saw our day;

7 And he obtained a promise of the Lord that out of the fruit of his loins the Lord God would raise up a righteous branch unto the house of Israel -

8 Not the Messiah, but a branch which was to be broken off,
Nevertheless, to be remembered in the covenants of the Lord -

9 That the Messiah should be made manifest unto them in the latter days in the Spirit of power,

Unto the bringing of them out of darkness unto light –
yea, out of hidden darkness, and out of captivity unto freedom.