

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost



## 2 Nephi 2—Review of Servant.

24 "And out of weakness he shall be made strong  
in that day when My work shall commence  
among all My people,  
unto the restoring thee, O house of Israel,  
saith the Lord.'

# The World Asks Who Is This Servant?

- Restoration—Traditionally responds ‘Joseph Smith’
- The Christian World: ‘Jesus’
- Orthodox Jews: ‘Israel’
- Islamic World: ‘Mohammed’
- Book of Mormon? someone else...

# The Book of Mormon

## Pulls in teachings of Isaiah and Jesus

[3 Nephi 9:81](#) 'Behold, **My Servant** shall deal prudently - He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.

[3 Nephi 9:96](#) "But behold, the life of **My servant** shall be in My hand; Therefore, they shall not hurt him, although he shall be marred because of them,

# From Isaiah 52

12 For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight:  
for the LORD will go before you;  
and the God of Israel will be your rereward.

13 Behold, **my servant shall deal prudently**,  
he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high.

14 As many were astonished at thee;  
**his visage was so marred** more than any man,  
and his form more than the sons of men:

15 So shall he sprinkle many nations;  
the **kings shall shut their mouths at him**:  
for that which had not been told them shall they see;  
and that which they had not heard shall they consider.

# Jesus Expounds Isaiah in 3 Nephi (LDS: 3 Nephi 20:42-21:11)

80 For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight;  
For the Lord will go before you,  
And the God of Israel shall be your rearward.

81 'Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently  
He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.

82 As many were astonished at thee;  
**His visage was so marred - more than any man,**  
**And His form more than the sons of men;**

83 So shall He sprinkle many nations.  
**The kings shall shut their mouths at Him;**  
For that which had not been told them shall they see,  
And that which they had not heard shall they consider.'

Isaiah 52:12-15

# Jesus Expands Isaiah in 3 Nephi

(LDS: [3 Nephi 20:42-21:11](#))

84 "Verily, verily I say unto you, all these things shall surely come, even as the Father hath commanded Me;

85 And then shall this covenant which the Father hath covenanted with His people be fulfilled;  
And then shall Jerusalem be inhabited again with My people,  
And it shall be the land of their inheritance.

86 "And verily I say unto you, I give unto you a sign that ye may know the time when these things shall be about to take place, That I shall gather in from their long dispersion My people, O house of Israel, And shall establish again among them My Zion.

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# Jesus Expands Isaiah in 3 Nephi (LDS: 3 Nephi 20:42-21:11)

87 "And behold, this is the thing which I will give unto you for a sign –

"For verily I say unto you, **that when these things which I deliver unto you And which I shall deliver unto you hereafter of Myself and by the power of the Holy Ghost which shall be given unto you of the Father - Shall be made known unto the Gentiles,**

88 that they may know concerning this people which are a remnant of the house of Jacob,

**And concerning this My people which shall be scattered by them -**

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# Jesus Expands Isaiah in 3 Nephi (LDS: 3 Nephi 20:42-21:11)

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

93 "**And when these things come to pass - that thy seed shall begin to know these things - It shall be a sign unto them that they may know that the work of the Father hath already commenced,**

Unto the fulfilling of the covenant which He hath made unto the people which are of the house of Israel.

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

Isaiah 52:15

95 For in that day, for My sake shall the Father work a  
work which shall be a great and a marvelous work  
among them;

And there shall be among them which will not believe it,  
although a man shall declare it unto them.

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

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

81 'Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently  
He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.

82 As many were astonished at thee;  
His visage was so marred - more than any man,  
And His form more than the sons of men;

Book of Mormon,  
At day when work  
Commences

Quoted  
Previously from  
Isaiah

# Jesus Expands Isaiah in 3 Nephi (LDS: 3 Nephi 20:42-21:11)

98 "Therefore, it shall come to pass that whosoever will not believe in My words - which am Jesus Christ – Which the Father shall cause him to bring forth unto the Gentiles,

And shall give unto him (Jesus) power that he shall bring them forth unto the Gentiles - it shall be done even as Moses said.

They shall be cut off from among My people which are of the covenant.

# Jesus Expands Isaiah in 3 Nephi (LDS: 3 Nephi 20:42-21:11)

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

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

# Scriptures when the day 'Commences'

[1 Nephi 3:237](#) Then at that day, the work of the Father shall **commence** in **preparing the way for the fulfilling of His covenants** which He hath made to His people which are of the house of Israel."

Nephi's Vision

[2 Nephi 2:24](#) "And out of weakness he shall be made strong in that day when **My work shall commence among all My people, unto the restoring thee**, O house of Israel, "saith the Lord.'

Lehi's Blessing

[2 Nephi 12:87](#) And it shall come to pass that the Lord God shall **commence His work among all nations**, kindreds, tongues and people, **To bring about the restoration of His people upon the earth.**

Nephi's Prophecy

# Scriptures when the day 'Commences'

[3 Nephi 9:93](#) "And when these things come to pass - **that thy seed shall begin to know these things - It shall be a sign unto them that they may know that the work of the Father hath already commenced**, Unto the fulfilling of the covenant which He hath made unto the people which are of the house of Israel. (This to Israel, also there'd in Ether 1)

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

[3 Nephi 10:5](#) "Verily I say unto you, at that day shall the work of the Father **commence** among all the dispersed of My people - Yea, even the tribes which have been lost which the Father hath led away out of Jerusalem -

Jesus Prophecy

# Scriptures when the day ‘Commences’

## Ether 1:114

Remember, when ye see these things, ye shall know that the time is at hand that they shall be made manifest in very deed;

Therefore, when ye shall receive this record, ye may know that the work of the Father has commenced upon all the face of the earth.

Moroni Prophecy



# The Day that it Commences is what ALL the Book of Mormon Points us to.

- All The Signposts Lead to it.
- A day AFTER the time of the Gentiles Ends.

# Scriptures of 'Second Time'

[2 Nephi 5:36](#) And behold, according to the words of the prophet, the Messiah will set Himself again the **second time** to recover them;

[2 Nephi 9:126](#) And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set His hand again the **second time** to recover the remnant of His people which shall be left - From Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

Jacob & Nephi  
Quoting Isaiah

# Scriptures of 'Second Time'

[2 Nephi 11:28](#) And the Lord will set His hand again the **second time** to restore His people from their lost and fallen state;

[2 Nephi 12:42](#) "But behold, there shall be many at that day when I shall proceed to do a marvelous work among them,

That I may remember My covenants which I have made unto the children of men,  
That I may set My hand again the **second time** to recover My people which are of the house of Israel,

Nephi's Prophecy

# Scriptures of 'Second Time'

Isaiah 11:1-10

Describe the time of Zion with Jesus Present

Isaiah 11:11

And it shall come to pass **in that day,**  
**that the Lord shall set his hand again the**  
**second time to recover the remnant of his**  
**people, which shall be left,**

From Assyria, and from Egypt, and from  
Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and  
from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the  
islands of the sea.

Isaiah's Prophecy  
During the Millennium

# The 2<sup>nd</sup> Time is another description of when the work to Restore Israel begins in Power

- This is when the work 'commences'
- This is when Jesus is present, after the time of the Gentiles is Complete.
- The Enemies of the Jews (who have been mainly Gentiles) will have no power over them anymore.

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost--**Ether 1:113** (LDS: Ether 4:16)



## **Ether 1:113**

And then shall **My revelations** which I have  
caused to be written by **My servant John**  
be **unfolded** in the eyes of all the people.

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost Context of Ether 1



109 "Come unto Me, O ye Gentiles  
And I will show unto you the greater things,  
the knowledge which is hid up because of  
unbelief.

110 "Come unto Me, O ye house of Israel  
And it shall be made manifest unto you how  
great things the Father hath laid up for you  
from the foundation of the world;

And it hath not come unto you because of  
unbelief.



# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost Context of Ether 1

111 Behold, when ye shall rend that veil of unbelief which doth cause you to remain in your awful state of wickedness and hardness of heart and blindness of mind, Then shall the great and marvelous things which have been hid up from the foundation of the world from you -

112 Yea, when ye shall call upon the Father in My name with a broken heart and a contrite spirit, Then shall ye know that the Father hath remembered the covenant which He made unto your fathers, O house of Israel -





# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost Context of Ether 1

113 And then shall **My revelations which I have caused to be written by My servant John be unfolded in the eyes of all the people.**

114 Remember, when ye see these things, ye shall know that the time is at hand that they shall be made manifest in very deed;

Therefore, when ye shall receive this record, ye may know that the work of the Father has commenced upon all the face of the earth.

Tie this back to Nephi's Signposts in his vision

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost--1 Nephi 3

(LDS: [1 Nephi 14:17-27](#))



237 Then at that day, the work of the Father shall commence in preparing the way for the fulfilling of His covenants which He hath made to His people which are of the house of Israel."

238 And it came to pass that the angel spake unto me, saying: "Look!" And I looked and beheld a man; And he was dressed in a white robe;

239 And the angel said unto me: "Behold one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb!

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost--1 Nephi 3

(LDS: [1 Nephi 14:17-27](#))



240 Behold, he shall see and write the remainder of these things,

241 Yea, and also many things which have been;

242 And he shall also write concerning the end of the world;

243 Wherefore, the things which he shall write are just and true;

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost--1 Nephi 3 (LDS: [1 Nephi 14:17-27](#))



244 And behold, they are written in the book which thou beheld proceeding out of the mouth of the Jew;

245 And at the time they proceeded out of the mouth of the Jew, or at the time the book proceeded out of the mouth of the Jew, The things which were written were plain and pure and most precious and easy to the understanding of all men.

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost--1 Nephi 3

(LDS: [1 Nephi 14:17-27](#))



246 "And behold, the things which this apostle of the Lamb shall write are many things which thou hast seen;

247 And behold, the remainder shalt thou see;

248 But the things which thou shalt see hereafter, thou shalt not write, For the Lord God hath ordained the apostle of the Lamb of God, that he should write them,

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost--1 Nephi 3 (LDS: [1 Nephi 14:17-27](#))



249 And also others which have been –  
To them hath He shown all things  
and they have written them;

250 And they are sealed up to come forth in their purity.  
according to the truth which is in the Lamb,  
in the own due time of the Lord unto the house of Israel."

# The 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost--1 Nephi 3 (LDS: [1 Nephi 14:17-27](#))



251 And I, according to the word of the angel.

252 And behold, I, Nephi, am forbidden that I should write the remainder of the things which I saw, Wherefore, the things which I have written sufficeth me;





## So what is the 9<sup>th</sup> Signpost?

That John the Revelator's Revelations would become Clear to the World.

Written originally in purity. Not sure what/if anything was **changed** or **perhaps lost in translation**.

His writings will once day become UNFOLDED to the world.

Hasn't happened yet.

# The significance of 1260 Years in Revelation 12

## [Revelation 12](#)

1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

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# Revelation 12

5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

# Revelation 12

9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

# Revelation 12

13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

# The significance of 1260 Years in Revelation 12

## Chapter 12 INSPIRED VERSION

1 And there appeared a 1 And there appeared a great sign in heaven, in great wonder in heaven; a the likeness of things on woman clothed with the the earth; a woman sun, and the moon under clothed with the sun, and her feet, and upon her the moon under her feet, head a crown of twelve and upon her head a stars:  
crown of twelve stars.

## Chapter 12 KING JAMES VERSION

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# The significance of 1260 Years in Revelation 12

6 And there was war in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought against Michael;

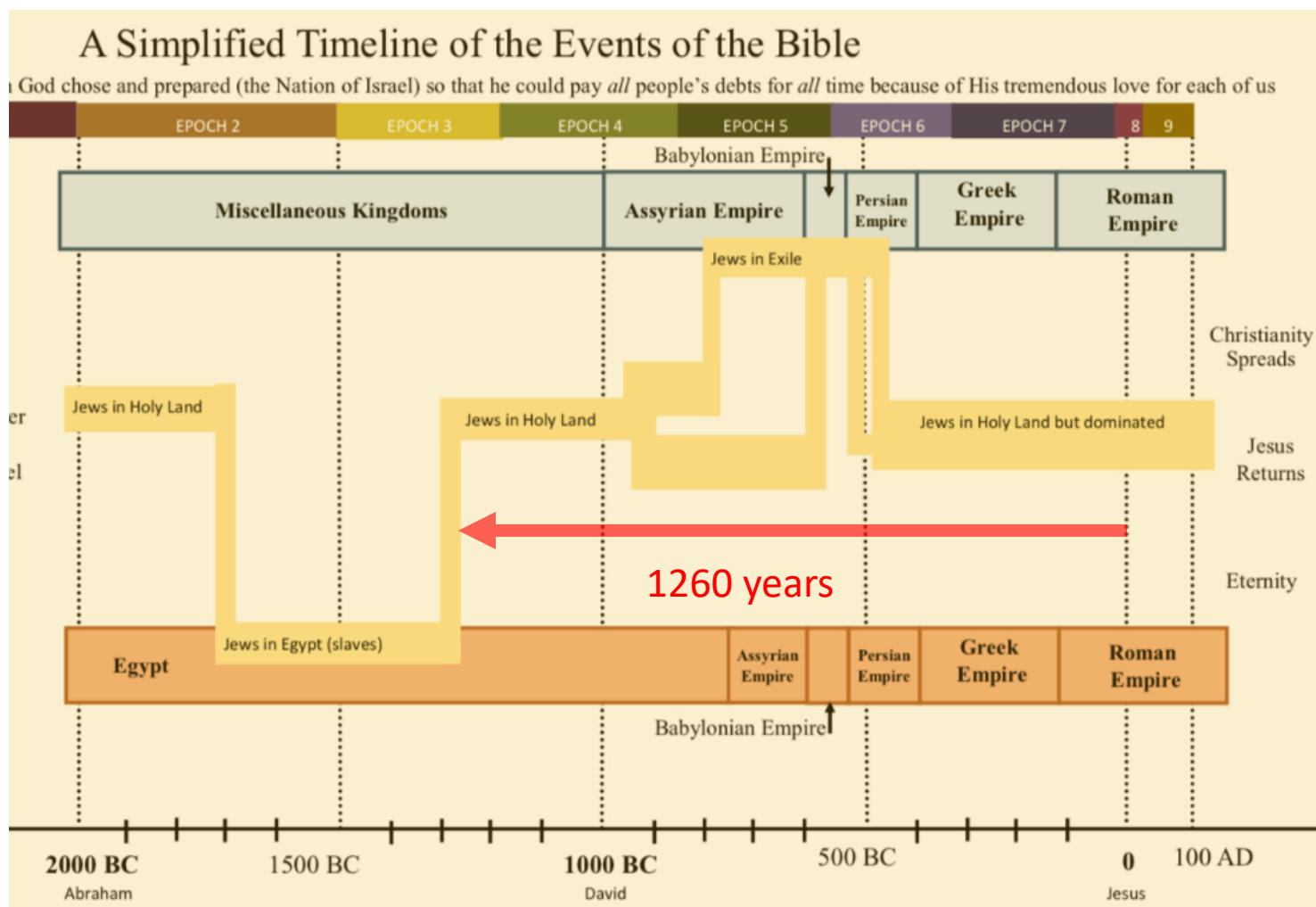
7 And the dragon prevailed not against Michael, neither the child, nor the woman which was the church of God, who had been delivered of her pains, and brought forth the kingdom of our God and his Christ.

[7](#) And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

[8](#) And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

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# The significance of 1260 Years in Revelation 12



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# Telling 1260 Years becomes a Tradition....

## ...but DOES NOT FIT any rational timeline except...

- 1260 Days (original) changed to 1260 YEARS in Inspired Version
- 1260 DAYS would have maintained the parallel to 3.5 Years (or times, time and half a time)
- The WOMAN is the church, who gives birth to a son 1260 years later. The Woman (the church) does not give birth to the church.
- Was The Kingdom born in 1830?
- How does this relate to the Gentile Church???
- The Son born is JESUS.
- Kingdom of Heaven is a Hebrew Idiom for God (Jeff Benner)
- The Church being 'hidden' 1260 years fits better here: the MERCY of GOD hidden as Israel Enters the Mosaic Law Era.
- Israelites only knew the hardship of the law.
- The MERCY RETURNS and BEARS JESUS, and the LAW of MOSES is fulfilled.

# “The Kingdom” Incorrectly taught in Mormon history...but became Tradition for some...

“...for know ye not that there is Zion? know ye not that the millennium has commenced?

We have had Zion upon the earth this fourteen years.

Peace reigns among this people which is Zion. Union and true charity dwells with this people: this is the most orderly and peaceable people upon the face of the whole earth.

Well, this is Zion, and it is increasing and spreading wider and wider, and this principle of Zion, which is peace, will stretch all over the earth; that is the millennium.”

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--Brigham Young RLDS Church History, 1844 [Vol 6, Chpt 12, Page: 956](#)