


Mormonism

- ⁶ I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel,
- ⁷ which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ.
- GALATIANS 1:6, 7



THE
BOOK
OF
MORMON

ANOTHER TESTAMENT
OF JESUS CHRIST

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Proverbs 30:6, “Do not add to His words, Lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.”

THE TRUTH!

2 Peter 1:3, “as His divine power has given to us all things that [pertain] to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue”

Ecclesiastes 10:4, “A fool also multiplies words. No man knows what is to be; Who can tell him what will be after him?”

Proverbs 15:5, “A fool despises his father’s instruction, But he who receives correction is prudent.”

The Devil in Disguise

“Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden’?”

10 Wherefore, because that ye have a Bible **ye need not suppose that it contains all my words; neither need ye suppose that I have not caused more to be written.**

12 For behold, I shall speak unto the Jews and they shall write it; and I shall also speak unto the Nephites and they shall write it; and I shall also speak unto the other tribes of the house of Israel, which I have led away, and they shall write it; and I shall also speak unto all nations of the earth and they shall write it.

Rather than giving a separate message to all the nations, God sent the same consistent message to every nation to heed!

- Mark 16:15: “...Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.”
- Colossians 1:23, “if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister.”
- 1 Corinthians 4:17; 7:17; 16:1

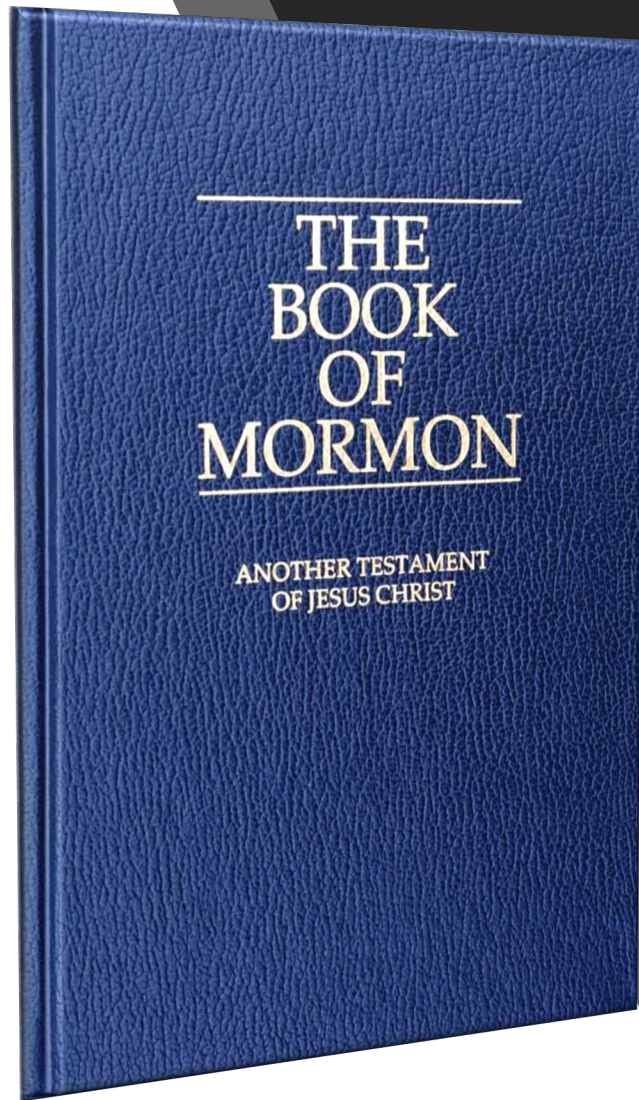
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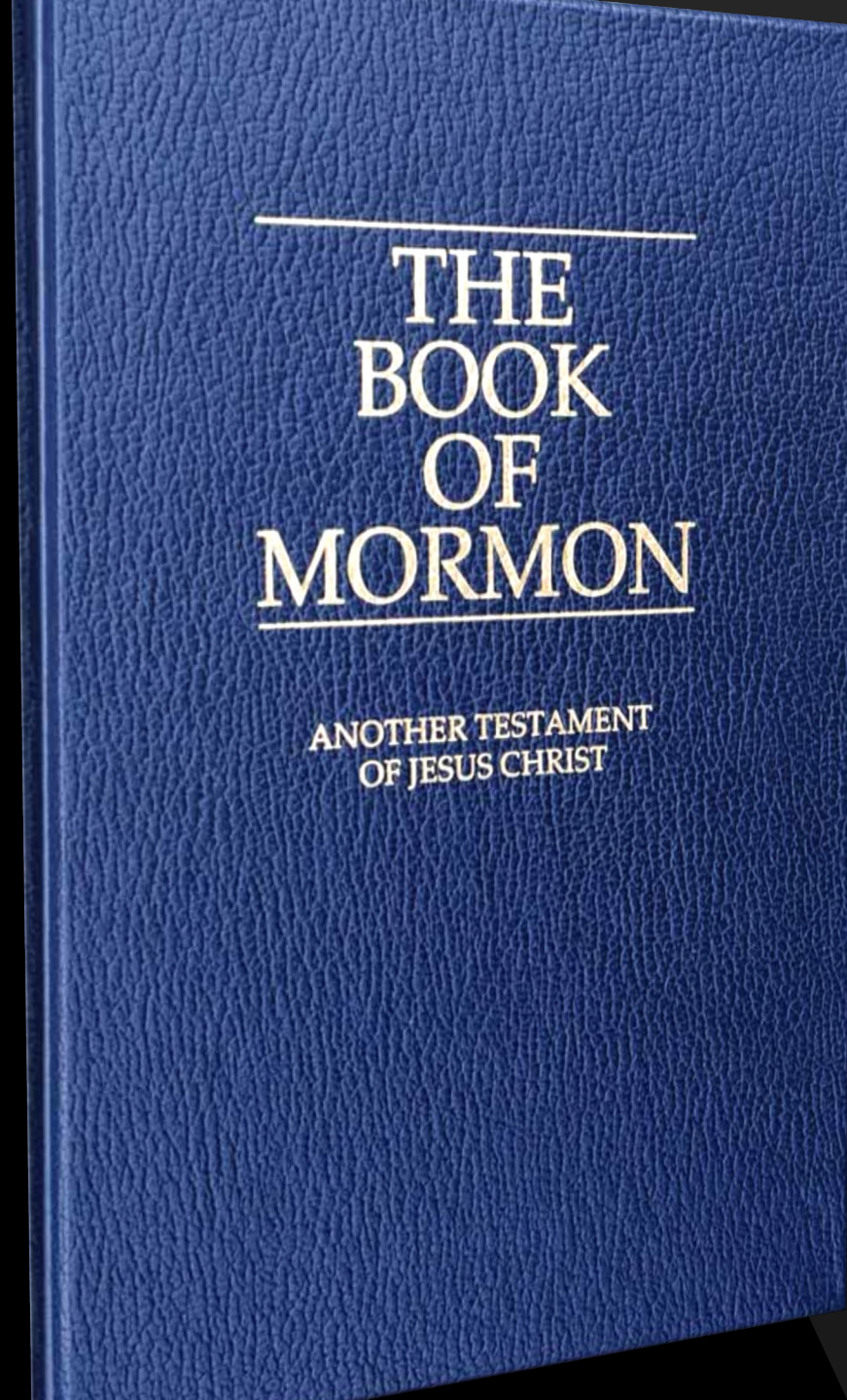
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“And we also know that they have been translated by the gift and power of God, for his voice hath declared it unto us; wherefore we know of a surety that the work is true.”

The Testimony of Three Witnesses

<https://www.lds.org/scriptures/search?lang=eng&query=and+we+also+know&x=0&y=0> (accessed, February 19, 2019)



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- ***3,913 Changes in the Book of Mormon***

- “In this study we will show that there have been at least 3,913 changes made in the Book of Mormon from the time it was first published in 1830.”

<http://www.utlm.org/onlinebooks/3913intro.htm> (accessed February 19, 2019)

Thousands of Changes from the Original!

- ***Other changes include chapter breaks***

- “Other changes included new chapter and verse breaks and footnotes with cross-references.”

<https://www.lds.org/ensign/2011/10/common-questions-about-the-book-of-mormon?lang=eng> (accessed February 19, 2019)

"Journeyed" or "Journied"

"The ancient record thus brought forth from the earth...translated into modern speech by the gift and power of God"

Modern translation

- 1 Nephi 4:38, "And it came to pass that we took the plates of brass and the servant of Laban, and departed into the wilderness, and **journeyed** unto the tent of our father."

Original 1830 translation (p. 14)

- "And it came to pass that we took the plates of brass and the servant of Laban, and departed into the wilderness, and **journied** into the tent of our father."

And it came to pass that when Zoram had made an oath unto us, our fears did cease concerning him. And it came to pass that we took the plates of brass and the servant of Laban, and departed into the wilderness, and journied unto the tent of our father.

And it came to pass that after we had come down into the wilderness unto our father, behold he was filled with joy, and also my mother, Sariah, was exceeding glad, for she truly had mourned because of us; for she had supposed that we had perished in the wilderness; and she also had complained against my father, telling him that he was a visionary man; saying, behold thou hast led us forth from the land of our inheritance, and my sons are no more, and we perish in the wilderness. And after this manner of language had my mother complained against my father.

And it had come to pass that my father spake unto her saying: I know that I am a visionary man; for if I had not seen the things of God in a vision, I should not have known the goodness of God, but had tarried at Jerusalem and had perished with my brethren. But behold, I have obtained a land of promise, in the which thing I do rejoice; yea, and I know that the Lord will deliver my sons out of the hands of Laban, and bring them down again unto us in the wilderness. And after this manner of language did my father comfort my mother Sariah, concerning us, while we journied in the wilderness up to the land of Jerusalem, to obtain the record of the Jews.

And when we had returned to the tent of my father, behold

count of the creation of the world which was our first parents; from the beginning, even down to the reign of Zedekiah, King of Judah, the Holy prophets, from the commencement of the reign of Zedekiah, which have been spoken

And it came to pass that my father had written upon the plates of brass, a genealogy of his fathers, that he was a descendant of Jacob, which was the son of Jacob, which was preserved by the Lord to preserve his father Jacob and his posterity from famine, and they were brought out of the land of Egypt, by the Lord, and he had written upon them. And thus my father had written the genealogy of his fathers. And Laban sought to take them, wherefore he and his family

And now when my father had spoken with the spirit, and began to write upon the plates of brass, he showed unto them hundreds, tongues, and people, wherefore he said that these plates should neither should they be dimmed, nor should they be desecrated, and he showed unto them many things concerning the Jews.

And it came to pass that the Lord showed unto my father the commandments wherewith the Jews were commanded. And we had obtained the record

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- 1 Nephi 5:6, "And after this manner of language did my father, Lehi, comfort my mother, Sariah, concerning us, while we **journeyed** in the wilderness up to the land of Jerusalem, to obtain the record of the Jews."

Original 1830 translation (p. 14)

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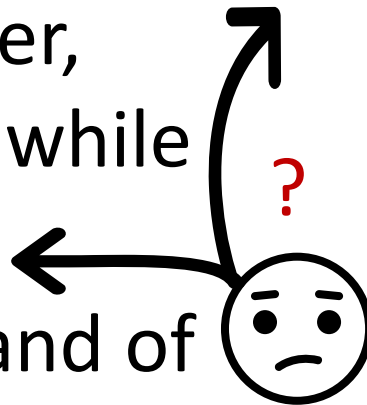
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1 Nephi 5:6, Original Translation

- “And after this manner of language did my father Lehi comfort my mother, Sariah, concerning us, while we **journied** in the wilderness up to the land of Jerusalem, to obtain the record of the Jews.”

Alma Ch. 12, Original Translation (modern 17:9)

- “And it came to pass that they **journeyed** many days in the wilderness, and they fasted much and prayed much...”



Why would the “power of God” choose an incorrect English word in 1 Nephi 5:6 and a correct English word in Alma 17:9?

Now those priests which did go forth among the people, did preach against all lyings, and deceivings, and envyings, and strifes, and malice, and revilings, and stealing, robbing, plundering, murdering, committing adultery, and all manner of lasciviousness, crying that these things ought not so to be; holding forth things which must shortly come; yea, holding forth the coming of the Son of God, his sufferings and death, and also the resurrection of the dead. And many of the people did inquire concerning the place where the Son of God should come; and they were taught that he would appear unto them after his resurrection; and this the people did hear with great joy and gladness. And now after the Church having been established throughout all the land, having got the victory over the Devil, and the word of God being preached in its purity in all the land; and the Lord pouring out his blessings upon the people; and thus ended the fourteenth year of the reign of the Judges, over the people of Nephi.

And when they taught, they taught with power and authority, even as with the power and authority of God. And they had been teaching the word of God for the space of fourteen years, among the Lamanites, having had much success in bringing many to the knowledge of the truth; yea, by the power of their words, many were brought before the altar of God, to call on his name, and confess their sins before him. Now these are the circumstances which attended them in their journeyings, for they had many afflictions; they did suffer much, both in body and in mind; such as hunger, thirst and fatigue, and also much labor in the spirit. Now these were their journeyings, having taken leave of their father Mosiah, in the first year of the reign of the Judges; having refused the kingdom which their father was desirous to confer upon them; and also this was the minds of the people; nevertheless they departed out of the land of Zarahemla, and took their swords, and their spears, and their bows, and their arrows, and their slings; and this they done that they might provide food for themselves while in the wilderness; and thus they departed into the wilderness, with their numbers which they had selected, to go up to the land of Nephi, to preach the word of God unto the Lamanites.

And it came to pass that they journeyed many days in the

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"Bellows" or "Bellowses"

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Modern translation

- 1 Nephi 17:11, "And it came to pass that I, Nephi, did make a bellows wherewith to blow the fire, of the skins of beasts; and after I had made a bellows, that I might have wherewith to blow the fire, I did smite two stones together that I might make fire."

Original 1830 translation (p. 43)

- "And it came to pass that I, Nephi, did make bellowses wherewith to blow the fire, of the skins of beasts; and after that I had made bellowses, that I might have wherewith to blow the fire, I did smite two stones together, that I might make fire;"

"Frenzied" or "phrensied" (Alma)

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Modern translation

- Alma 30:16, "...But behold, it is the effect of a frenzied mind; and this derangement of your minds comes because of the traditions of your fathers, which lead you away into a belief of things which are not so."

Original 1830 translation (p. 305)

- "...But behold, it is the effects of a phrensied mind; and this derangement of your minds comes because of the traditions of your fathers, which lead you away into a belief of things which are not so."

"Feeding" or "Feading" (Enos)

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Modern translation

- Enos 1:20, "...But our labors were vain; their hatred was fixed, and they were led by their evil nature that they became wild, and ferocious, and a blood-thirsty people, full of idolatry and filthiness; feeding upon beasts of prey;..."

Original 1830 translation (p. 144)

- "...But our labors were vain; their hatred was fixed, and they were led by their evil nature, that they became wild, and ferocious, and a blood-thirsty people, full of idolatry, and filthiness, feading upon beasts of prey,..."

And I had faith, and I did cry unto God, that he would preserve the records; and he covenanted with me that he would bring them forth unto the Lamanites, in his own due time.— And I, Enos, knew it would be according to the covenant which he had made; wherefore, my soul did rest. And the Lord said unto me, Thy fathers have also required of me this thing; and it shall be done unto them according to their faith, for their faith was like unto thine.

And now it came to pass, that I, Enos, went about among the people of Nephi, prophesying of things to come, and testifying of the things which I had heard and seen. And I bare record that the people of Nephi did seek diligently to restore the Lamanites unto the true faith in God. But our labors were vain; their hatred was fixed, and they were led by their evil nature, that they became wild, and ferocious, and a blood-thirsty people; full of idolatry, and filthiness; feeding upon beasts of prey.



...this people, and declare the word according to
is in Christ. And I have declared it, in all
have rejoiced in it, above that of the world.
to the place of my rest, which is with my
know that in him I shall rest: and I rejoice in
my mortal shall put on immortality, and shall
him: then shall I see his face with pleasure, and
unto me, Come unto me ye blessed, there is a
for you in the mansions of my FATHER. At

"Temples" or "Tempels" (Alma)

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Modern translation

- Alma 16:13, "And Alma and Amulek went forth preaching repentance to the people in their temples, and in their sanctuaries, and also in their synagogues, which were built after the manner of the Jews.

Original 1830 translation (p. 269)

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Proverbs 14:7

“Go from the presence of a foolish man, When you do not perceive *in him* the lips of knowledge.

DARKNESS *Over The Face of the Earth!*

Bible – 3 Hours

- **Matthew 27:45**, “Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land.”
- **Mark 15:33**, “Now when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.”
- **Luke, 23:44**, “Now it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour.”

BOM – 3 Nephi 8:23

“And it came to pass that it did last **for the space of three days** that there was no light seen; and there was great mourning and howling and weeping among all the people continually; yea, great were the groanings of the people, because of the darkness and the great destruction which had come upon them.”

Why The CONFUSION and CONTRADICTION?

CONFUSED The Crucifixion Scene with the Ninth Plague?

Exodus 10

- 21 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, darkness *which* may even be felt."
- 22 So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days.
- 23 They did not see one another; nor did anyone rise from his place for three days. But all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

“For God is not *the author* of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.”

1 CORINTHIANS 14:33

THE EVIDENCE: JOSEPH SMITH JR., A LIAR AND DECEIVER!

Jeremiah 14:14

“And the LORD said to me, ‘The prophets prophesy lies in My name. I have not sent them, commanded them, nor spoken to them; they prophesy to you a false vision, divination, a worthless thing, and the deceit of their heart.’”

- If God inspired the original BOM, why did the need exist for a human editor to make almost 4000 corrections to the original work?
- Why is there no historical evidence to support the history in the BOM?
- Why is the “Passover” passed over in utter silence in the BOM?

Questions

- Why did Moroni take the Nephi Plates back to heaven? Do they not belong with man? God allowed the Jews to possess the Ten Commandment tablets for many centuries!

Moses Gave The Ten
Commandments
(1491 BC)



Solomon Had The Two
Tablets at the Dedication of
the Temple (1004 BC)

= 487 Years!

Questions

1 Kings 8:9
Deut. 10:1ff

Why do your apostles not perform the signs of an apostle?

- “Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds” (2 Cor. 12:12)

Questions

“signs of an apostle” (2 Cor. 12:12)

- 1) Elymas blinded—Acts 13:11
- 2) Lame man cured—Acts 14:8-10
- 3) Damsel with the spirit of divination—Acts 16:18
- 4) Eutychus restored to life—Acts 20:9, 10
- 5) Unharmed by a viper’s bite—Acts 28:3-5
- 6) Father of Publius healed—Acts 28:8

“Now God worked unusual miracles by the hands of Paul” (Acts 19:11)