

“Sounds Like....”

Class 03

Book of Mormon Class

Living Hope Congregation, Independence, MO.

Review and conclusion from week 2

Summary

- Hitler/Luther
 - 2 Nephi 2—JS2
 - Isaiah Ships
 - Isaiah other verses
 - Sounds like plagiarism. Wanted to see if JS2 did or not
 - Isaiah parallels put back by Book of Mormon
 - Isaiah, Sons. What was ISV thinking?
 - Yesterday, Zworx letter quotation
 - What about the change of heart?
 - Salvation list from BOM
 - Nephi stopped writing. But Early saints printed.
 - We have become expert in our church
- history. We consume and relish the details. But if summarized by Mormon, may have sounded like...the 190th year passed away in iniquity. And also the 191st, and the 192nd..
- Letter from Early church...Sounds like scripture...then show where diverges.
 - The Helaman syndrome. How many believe Samuel spoke the word of God on that wall? Disbelievers? You are in the minority. Some responded positively but majority thought he was the devil. What was their inclination? the messenger is wrong. Open God's word, the most people believe its of the devil.
 - Which sounds true? Just a question.
 - Prior to omitted scripture, the gifts verse. Only gift, or one of many?
 - DC 18 God Bled match with BOM first
- halves.
- God's punishment is eternal because the life of the soul is eternal
 - DC 18, could it be that God was saying JK, LOL... I didn't mean that. Is punishment eternal or not eternal?
 - Then if salvation is eternal, does it fit to say it is not eternal? DC 76?
 - What does your story of the scripture sound like?

Jews...

- They Come to Christ First.....then they believe these things.



Jews...The Book of Mormon tells the Sequence

2 Nephi 11:27

And when that day shall come that they shall **believe** in Christ,
And worship the Father in His name with pure hearts and clean hands,
And look not forward anymore for another Messiah –
And then at that time, the day will come that it must needs be
expedient that they should **believe these things.**



Jews...The Book of Mormon tells the Sequence

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;

29 Wherefore, He will proceed to do a marvelous work and a wonder among the children of men.

30 Wherefore, He shall bring forth His words unto them, which words shall judge them at the last day,



Learning from Lamanites long ago

THEIR HEARTS CHANGED

The King exclaimed:

"What shall I do that I may have this eternal life of which thou hast spoken? Yea, what shall I do that I may be born of God, having this wicked spirit rooted out of my breast and receive his Spirit?

that I may be filled with joy?

that I may not be cast off at the last day?

Lamanites long ago

THEIR HEARTS CHANGED

The King exclaimed:

"O Lord, **have mercy**

according to Thy abundant mercy

which Thou hast had upon the people of Nephi,

have upon me and my people!"

Lamanites long ago

THEIR HEARTS CHANGED

The Queen exclaimed:

O blessed Jesus who has saved me from an awful hell,

O blessed God, have mercy on this people!"

Lamanites long ago

THEIR HEARTS CHANGED

The King exclaimed:

O God, Aaron hath told me that there is a God;

And if there is a God

And if Thou art God,

Wilt Thou make Thyself known unto me?

And I will give away all my sins to know Thee

And that I may be raised from the dead and be saved at the last day!

Lamanites long ago

THEIR HEARTS CHANGED

Murderers exclaimed:

108 And it came to pass that

they all did begin to cry unto the voice of Him which had shook the earth;

Yea, they did cry even until the cloud of darkness was dispersed.

109 And it came to pass that when they cast their eyes about and saw that the cloud of darkness was dispersed from overshadowing them,

And behold, they saw that they were encircled about.

yea, every soul, by a pillar of fire;

Lamanites long ago

THEIR HEARTS CHANGED

Murderers exclaimed:

111 And behold, the Holy Spirit of God did come down from heaven and did enter into their hearts,

And they were filled as if with fire;

And they could speak forth marvelous words.

112 And it came to pass that there came a voice unto them, yea, a pleasant voice, as if it were a whisper, saying: "Peace, peace be unto you because of your faith in My Well-Beloved which was from the foundation of the world."

The Broad Conversion Begins....

114 And there were about three hundred souls which saw and heard these things; And they were bid to go forth and marvel not, neither should they doubt.

115 And it came to pass that they did go forth and did minister unto the people, Declaring throughout all the regions round about all the things which they had heard and seen,
Insomuch that the more part of the Lamanites were convinced of them because of the greatness of the evidences which they had received;

The Broad Conversion Begins....

[Helaman 2:81](#) Therefore, they did speak unto the great astonishment of the Lamanites to the convincing them,

Insomuch that there were **eight thousand** of the Lamanites which were in the Land of Zarahemla and round about baptized unto repentance,

And were **convinced of the wickedness of the traditions of their fathers.**

Warnings...Sounds Like....

Nephite Warning...

Alma 17:46 And now behold, I tell you by the spirit of prophecy that if ye trangress the commandments of God, Behold, these things which are sacred shall be taken away from you by the power of God, And ye shall be delivered up unto Satan that he may sift you as chaff before the wind;

Lamanite Warning...

2 Nephi 1:32 Or that a cursing should come upon you for the space of many generations, And ye are visited by sword and by famine, And are hated and are led according to the will and captivity of the devil.

Book of Commandments-Gentile Warning

6 And now if this generation do harden their hearts against my word,
behold I will deliver them up unto satan,
for he reigneth and hath much power at this time,
for he hath got great hold upon the hearts of the people of this generation:

Who does this person Sound Like.....?

First Name _ _ _ _ _

Last Name _ _ _ _ e r

Who is this person.....Obvious?

- His Name: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ e r
- Born in Germany and spoke German.
- Became a founder of German Nationalism
- Persuasive Speaker, aligning much of Germany and Europe against the Jews
- Spoke openly about his contempt for the Jews
- Even wrote a book about his contempt for the Jews
- Convinced those of his country to turn their hatred contempt upon the Jews, forbidding them to participate in regular commerce, and forcibly taking their money and possessions.

Sounds Like.....

Adoph Hitler?



Not so Obvious.....

His Name: Martin Luth e r



*Luther wrote: "Von den Juden und ihren Lügen" (On the Jews and Their Lies).
Hitler wrote: "Mein Kampf" (My Struggle)*

Luther Quotes (...who preached salvation 'By Grace'):

"What then shall we Christians do with this damned, rejected race of Jews?

First, their synagogues should be set on fire, and whatever does not burn up should be covered or spread with dirt so that no one may ever be able to see a cinder of it. And this ought to be done for the honor of God and of Christianity, in order that God may see that we are Christians.

Secondly, their homes should be likewise broken down and destroyed.

Thirdly, they should be deprived of their prayer-books and Talmuds in which such idolatry, lies, cursing and blasphemy are taught.

Fourthly, their rabbis must be forbidden under threat of death to teach anymore."

Hitler Wrote:

1. "The Jew is the enemy of the German people." (Chapter 2)
2. "All of them have this in common: they are all parasites unworthy of being regarded as human beings." (Chapter 2)
3. "The Jew has always been a people with definite racial characteristics and never a religion." (Chapter 2)
4. "The Jew is the ferment of decomposition in peoples and states."
(Chapter 11)
5. "The Jewish people ought to be exterminated root and branch."
(Chapter 11)

Sent by a friend...

From the LDS Church....

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Policy and Principles

Children who are born after their mother has been sealed to a husband in a temple are born in the covenant of that sealing unless the mother or the husband to whom she was sealed had his or her membership withdrawn or resigned his or her membership from the Church and did not receive a restoration of blessings before the child was born.

From the LDS Church

If a woman who has been sealed to a former husband remarries,
the children of her later marriage are born in the covenant of the first
marriage

unless they were born after the sealing was cancelled

or after it was revoked due to withdrawal or resignation of Church
membership

and there was not a restoration of blessings.

From the LDS Church

Being born in the covenant entitles children to an eternal parentage, depending on their faithfulness.

Members who have concerns about the eternal nature of such relationships can find peace in the knowledge that Heavenly Father is loving and just.

He will ensure that eternal family relationships will be fair and right for all who keep their covenants.

QUESTION: How did LDS Get here????

ULTIMATELY....it was IDEAS of MAN mixed with Scripture

- Ideas of Man have to get mixed in with God's word.
- The Ideas of Man begin to take on meaning, a new and different meaning of their own.
- Man's ideas begin to take on momentum to the believers.
- This distortion causes separation.
- When we hold onto ideas not supported by scripture we become isolated, and enabling ourselves to become more firmly entrenched in incorrect ideas.

Elder Jason Briggs 1864, When people arrive at truth

(upon preaching to Utah Mormons in polygamy)

.....Notwithstanding every effort is made by the leaders in Utah to arrest the progress of truth,

the people are gradually awakening to a sense of their position,

realizing that they have been egregiously duped,

and that underneath a mask of religion they have been enslaved and subjected to the power of sin and Satan.

Elder Jason Briggs 1864, When people arrive at truth

Infidelity prevails to an alarming extent.

Men as soon as they become aware of the gross deception that has been practiced upon them look suspiciously even upon the truth, when presented before them.

The blow has been so severe to their feelings that the reaction that takes place in some instances is fearful to behold;

But thanks be to Jesus, I am enabled to understand and know of a surety that thousands who have emigrated to this land have done so with the purest of motives, who will ere long rejoice in the liberty of the gospel.

So...this is Joseph Smith II, right??

So... this Sounds Like Joseph Smith Junior?

29 (Joseph Speaking)

And his name shall be called after me,

And it shall be after the name of his father,

30 And he shall be like unto me;

For the thing which the Lord shall bring forth by his hand,

by the power of the Lord,

shall bring my people unto salvation.'

So...who is this??

2 Nephi 2:7 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.

So...who is this??

10 "For Joseph truly testified, saying: ' A seer shall the Lord my God raise up which shall be a choice seer unto the fruit of my loins ';

11 Yea, Joseph truly said: 'Thus saith the Lord unto me: "A choice seer will I raise up out of the fruit of thy loins, And he shall be esteemed highly among the fruit of thy loins.

12 "And unto him will I give commandment that he shall do a work for the fruit of thy loins, his brethren, which shall be of great worth unto them, Even to the bringing of them to the knowledge of the covenants which I have made with thy fathers;

So...who is this??

19 "Wherefore, the fruit of thy loins shall write, And the fruit of the loins of Judah shall write;

20 And that which shall be written by the fruit of thy loins -
And also that which shall be written by the fruit of the loins of Judah - Shall grow together

21 Unto the confounding of false doctrines, And laying down of contentions, And establishing peace among the fruit of thy loins,

So...who is this??

22 And bringing them to the knowledge of their fathers in the latter days,

23 And also to the knowledge of My covenants, " saith the Lord;

So...who is this??

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.'

25 "And thus prophesied Joseph, saying: 'Behold, that seer will the Lord bless;

26 And they that seek to destroy him shall be confounded;

So...who is this??

29 And his name shall be called after me, And it shall be after the name of his father,

30 And he shall be like unto me; For the thing which the Lord shall bring forth by his hand, by the power of the Lord, shall bring my people unto salvation.'

So...does this Sound Like Joseph Smith??

	IN Joseph Smith's Life	
<u>Condition</u>	Yes	No
Of Manasseh (vs7)		X
In Spirit of Power (vs9)		X
Out of Darkness in his day (vs9)		X
Esteemed Highly among Joseph's People (11)		X
Brought Joseph to Knowledge of Covenants (12)		X
Judah and Joseph shall write (vs 19)	X	
but to establish peace among Joseph (21)		X
to Bring to knowledge of fathers and covenants (22-23)		X
when My work shall commence among all My people (24)		X
seek to destroy him shall be confounded (26)		X
shall be after the name of his father, (29)	X	

Read in Garland's News Email this week

“Just where it came from, let me repeat, I do not know, but always my faith, my ministry, has been dominated by this idea Zion;

and so I have always been disposed to measure the progress of the church by its approach to this GREAT GOAL;...

Zion fixes the religious position of this church.

IF IT BE THAT ZION IS NOT THE GOAL, THEN THIS CHURCH HAS LITTLE REASON FOR EXISTING...

It is the most attractive, the most soul-appealing goal I know of...”

~Frederick M. Smith

Let me get this straight.....

“...THIS CHURCH HAS LITTLE REASON FOR
EXISTING...???”

What if.....This was Our Purpose Instead??

- What if the church told of The Opposition in all things? (2 Nephi 1:80-98)
- What if the church told about our Choice in the Opposition? (2 Nephi 1:66)
- What if the church told the world of The Fall of Man? (2 Nephi 1)
- What about explaining Justice and Mercy AND Jesus' Compassion? (Alma 19)
- What about announcing The Infinite Atonement? (Alma 16:213)
- What about explaining Repentance and the Change of Heart? (Mosiah 11:182)
- What if the church revealed how Mercy Overcomes Justice through His Atonement and Our Repentance? (Alma 16:216)
- Or Coming in at the Gate, living by the Word, being directed by the Spirit? (2Nephi chapters 13-15)
- TRANSLATED: WHAT IF THIS CHURCH TOLD THE MESSAGE OF THE BOOK OF MORMON?