

CHAPTER 11

Nephi sees the Spirit of the Lord and is shown in vision the tree of life—He sees the mother of the Son of God and learns of the condescension of God—He sees the baptism, ministry, and crucifixion of the Lamb of God—He sees also the call and ministry of the Twelve Apostles of the Lamb. About 600–592 B.C.

for it came to pass that after i had *desired* to know the things that my father had *seen* and believing that the lord was able to make **16** them *known* unto me wherefor as i sat pondering in mine heart i was caught away in the spirit of the lord
6 *Nephi caught Away in the Spirit and so fo* yea into an exceding high mountain a mountain wh(ich) i never ~~before~~ had before seen and upon which i never had before sat my foot

and the spirit saith unto me behold what desire(s)~~th~~ thou

and i saith i desire to be hold ~~to~~ the (things) which my father saw

an(d) the spirit saith unto me believe(s)~~th~~ thou that thy father saw the tree of which he hath spoken

and i said yea thou knowest that i believe all the words of my father

and when i had spake these words the sp-irit cried with a loud voice saying hosana to the lor(d) the most high god for he is god over all the earth yea even above all and blessed art thou nephi becaus thou believest in the son of the most high wherefore thou shalt be hold the things which thou hast desired

and behold this thang shall be given unto thee for a sign tha(t) After thou hast beheld the tree which bare the fruit of which thy father tasted thou shalt al-so behold a man descending out of heven and him shall ye witness and after that (ye) S(h)al have witness(d) him ye shall bare record that it is the son of god

and it came to pass that the spir(i)t saith unto me look and i lookt and beheld atree and it ~~w~~(was)e like unto the tree which my father had seen and the beauty there of was far beyond yea exceding of All beauty and the whitemess there of did exceed the whiteness of the driven snow

¹For it came to pass [X] after I had desired to know the things that my father had seen, and believing that the Lord was able to make them known unto me, [X] as I sat pondering in mine heart I was caught away in the Spirit of the Lord, [X_X_X_X_X_X_X_X_] yea, into an exceedingly high mountain, [X_X] which I never [X] had before seen, and up[] on which I never had before set my foot.

²And the Spirit said[] unto me: Behold, what desirest[] thou?

³And I said[]: I desire to be [] hold [X] the things which my father saw.

⁴And the Spirit said[] unto me: Believest[] thou that thy father saw the tree of which he hath spoken?

⁵And I said: Yea, thou knowest that I believe all the words of my father.

⁶And when I had spoken these words, the Sp[-]irit cried with a loud voice, saying: Hosanna to the Lord, the most high God; for he is God over all the earth, yea, even above all. And blessed art thou, Nephi, because thou believest in the Son of the most high God; wherefore, thou shalt be [] hold the things which thou hast desired.

⁷And behold this thing shall be given unto thee for a sign, that after thou hast beheld the tree which bore the fruit [X] which thy father tasted, thou shalt al[-]so behold a man descending out of heaven, and him shall ye witness; and after [X] ye [] have witnessed him ye shall bear record that it is the Son of God.

⁸And it came to pass that the Spirit said[] unto me: Look! And I looked and beheld a [] tree; and it [] was [] like unto the tree which my father had seen; and the beauty there [] of was far beyond, yea, exceeding of all beauty; and the w [] hiteness there [] of did exceed the whiteness of the driven snow.

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and it came to pass that after that i had see(n) the tree i said unto the spirit i behold thou hast shew unto me the tree which is most precious above all

and he saith unto me what desireth thou

and i said unto him to know the interpretation there of afor i spake unto him as a man speaketh for i beheld that he was in the form of a man yet nevertheless i knew that it was the spirit of the lord and he spa-ke unto me as a man speaketh with an other

and it came to pss that he said unto me look And i lookt as if to ~~o~~ look upon him and i saw h~~o~~im not for he had gon from before my presence

and it came to pss that I lookt and beheld (t)he gr-eat city jerusalem and also other citties and i be held the city of nathareth and in the city of nathareth i be held a virgin and she was eceding fair and white

& it came to pass that i saw the h-evens open and an~~e~~ angel came down and stood before me & he saith unto me nephi what be-holdest thou

and i saith unto him a virgin Most beautiful and fair above all other virgins

And he saith unto me knowest thou (t)he conde-sension of god

and i saiid unto him i know that he loveth his children never the less i do~~t~~ not kno-w the meaning of all things

and he saiid unto m-e behold the virgin which thou seest is the Nephi beholdeth the Lam of God &C 17 Mother of god after the manner of the flesh

and it ca-me to pass that i behel that she was carried away in the spirit and after that she had been carried away in the spirit a~~time~~ for the space of a time the angel spake unto me saying look

& i **17** lookt and beheld the virgin again bearing a child in her arms

⁹And it came to pass [X] after [X] I had seen the tree, I said unto the Spirit: I behold thou hast shown unto me the tree which is [X] precious above all.

¹⁰And he said[] unto me: What desirest thou?

¹¹And I said unto him: To know the interpretation there[]of—[]for I spake unto him as a man speaketh; for I beheld that he was in the form of a man; yet nevertheless, I knew that it was the Spirit of the Lord; and he spa[-]ke unto me as a man speaketh with an[]other.

¹²And it came to pass that he said unto me: Look! And I looked as if to [] look upon him, and I saw h[]im not; for he had gone from before my presence.

¹³And it came to pass that I looked and beheld the gr[-]eat city of Jerusalem, and also other cit[]ies. And I be[]held the cit[]y of Naz[]areth; and in the city of Naz[]areth I be[]held a virgin, and she was exceedingly fair and white.

¹⁴And it came to pass that I saw the h[-]eavens open; and an[] angel came down and stood before me; and he said[] unto me: Nephi, what be[-]holdest thou?

¹⁵And I said[] unto him: A virgin, most beautiful and fair above all other virgins.

¹⁶And he said[] unto me: Knowest thou the conde[-]scension of God?

¹⁷And I sai[]d unto him: I know that he loveth his children; never[]the[]less, I do[] not kno[-]w the meaning of all things.

¹⁸And he sai[]d unto m[-]: Behold, the virgin whom thou seest is the [X_X_X_ _ _ _X_X_X_] mother of the Son of God, after the manner of the flesh.

¹⁹And it ca[-]me to pass that I beheld that she was carried away in the Spirit; and after [X] she had been carried away in the Spirit [X_X] for the space of a time the angel spake unto me, saying: Look!

²⁰And I looked and beheld the virgin again, bearing a child in her arms.

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& the angel said unto me behold the lam of god yea even the eternal father knowest th-ou the meaning of the tree which thy father saw

and i answer(d) him saying yea it is the love of god which sheadeth itself abroad in the hear(ts) of the children (of men) wherefore it is the most desira-bel above all things

and he spake unto me sayi-ng yea and the most joyous to the soul

and after th-at he had sed these words he said unto me look And i lookt and i beheld the son of god agoing forth among the children of men and i saw men-ny fall down at his feet and worship him

and it came to pss that i beheld that the rod of iron which my father had sees † was the word of god wh-ich led to he fountain of living waters or to the tree of life which waters are a representation of the love of god and i also beheld that the tree of life was a re-presentation of the love of god

and the angel said unto me again look and behold the condensation of god

& i lookt and beheld the redemer of the wo-rld of which my father had spoken and i also behe-ld the prophet which should prepare the way be-fore him and the lam of god went forth and Was bap-td of him and after that he was baptised of i behel-d the heavens open and the holy gost came down out of heaven and abode uppon him in the form of a dov-e

& i beheld that he went forth ministeri(n)g unto the people in power and great glory and the multitude(s) ware gethered to gether to hear him and i beheld that they cast him out from among them

and i also beheld twelve others following him and it came to pass that they ware carried away in the spir(i)t from-m be for my face that i saw them not

& it came to pass that the angel spake unto me sayin look and i lookt and i beheld the heavens open a gain and i saw angels descending upon the children of men and they did minister unto them

²¹And the angel said unto me: Behold the Lamb of God, yea, even the Son of the Eternal Father! Knowest thou the meaning of the tree which thy father saw?

²²And I answered him, saying: Yea, it is the love of God, which sheadeth itself abroad in the hearts of the children of men; wherefore, it is the most desirable above all things.

²³And he spake unto me, saying: Yea, and the most joyous to the soul.

²⁴And after [X] he had said these words, he said unto me: Look! And I looked, and I beheld the Son of God going forth among the children of men; and I saw many fall down at his feet and worship him.

²⁵And it came to pass that I beheld that the rod of iron, which my father had seen, [] was the word of God, which led to the fountain of living waters, or to the tree of life; which waters are a representation of the love of God; and I also beheld that the tree of life was a representation of the love of God.

²⁶And the angel said unto me again: Look and behold the condensation of God!

²⁷And I looked and beheld the Redeemer of the world, of whom my father had spoken; and I also beheld the prophet who should prepare the way before him. And the Lamb of God went forth and was baptized of him; and after [X] he was baptized [X], I beheld the heavens open, and the Holy Ghost come down out of heaven and abide upon him in the form of a dove.

²⁸And I beheld that he went forth ministering unto the people, in power and great glory; and the multitudes were gathered together to hear him; and I beheld that they cast him out from among them.

²⁹And I also beheld twelve others following him. And it came to pass that they were carried away in the Spirit from before my face, and I saw them not.

³⁰And it came to pass that the angel spake unto me again, saying: Look! And I looked, and I beheld the heavens open again, and I saw angels descending upon the children of men; and they did minister unto them.

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and he *spak(e)* unto me *again saying* look and i lookt and i beheld the lam of god going forth among the children of men & i be-held multitudes of people which ware sick and which ware afflicted of all manner of diseases and with devils and unclean spirits and the angel spake and shewed all these things unto me and they ware heal-ed by the power of the lam of god & the devils and the unclean spirith ware cast out

& it came to pass that the angel spake unto (me) *again saying* look and i lookt & beheld the lam of god that he was taken

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By *the* People yea the ever lastin(g) god was judg(d) of the wor(ld) and I saw & bare recor(d)

& i nephi saw that he was lifted up upon the cross and slain for the sims of the world

And after that he was slain i saw the multitudes of the earth that they ware geatherd to geather to fig-ht against the apostles of the **18** lamb for thus ware the twelve cald by the angel of the lord

and the m-ultitude of the earth was geatherd to geather & i be-held that they ware in a large and *spesious bilding* like unto the bilding which my father saw & the angel of the lord spake unto *me* saying behold the world and the wisdom there of yea behold the h-ouse of israel hath ~~gether~~ geatherd to geather to fig-ht against the twelve apostels of the lamb

and it came to pass that i saw and bare record that the great and specious bilding was the pride of the world and the fall there of ~~there of~~ was exceding great and the ang-el of the lord (s)pake unto me saying thus shal be the destruction of all nations kindreds touns & people that shal fight against the twelve apost-els of the (lamb)

³¹And he spake unto me again, saying: **Look! And I looked**, and **I** beheld the **Lamb of God** going forth among the children of men. **And I** be[-]held multitudes of people **who were sick**, and **who were afflicted with** all manner of diseases, and with devils and unclean spirits; and the angel spake and showed all these things unto me. **And they were heal[-]ed** by the power of the **Lamb of God**; and the devils and the unclean spirits **were** cast out.

³²And it came to pass that the angel spake unto **me** again, saying: **Look! And I looked and** beheld the **Lamb of God**, that he was taken

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by the **people**; yea, the **Son of the** ever[]lasting **God** was judged of the world; and I saw **and bear record**.

³³**And I, Nephi**, saw that he was lifted up up[] on the cross and slain for the **sins** of the world.

³⁴And after [X] he was slain **I** saw the multitudes of the earth, that they **were g[]athered to []ge[]ther** to fig[-]ht against the apostles of the **Lamb**; for thus **were** the twelve called by the angel of the **Lord**.

³⁵And the m[-]ultitude of the earth was g[]athered to []ge[]ther; **and I** be[-]held that they **were** in a large and **spacious building**, like unto the **building** w[]hich my father saw. **And** the angel of the **Lord** spake unto me **again**, saying: **Behold** the world and the wisdom there[]of; yea, **behold** the h[-]ouse of **Israel** hath [] g[]athered toge[]ther to fig[-]ht against the twelve apostles of the **Lamb**.

³⁶And it came to pass that **I** saw and **bear** record, that the great and **spacious building** was the pride of the world; **and it fell**, and the fall there[]of [X_X] was **exceedingly** great. **And** the ang[-]el of the **Lord** spake unto me **again**, saying: **Thus** shall be the destruction of all nations, kindreds, to[]ngues, **and** people, that shall fight against the twelve apost[-]les of the **Lamb**.