

& now it came to pass that after the Peopl of Ammon were established in the land of Jershon & a church also established in the land & the armies of the Neph(ites) were set round about the land of Jershon yea in all the borders round about the land of Zarahemla behold the armies of the Lamanites had follow()wed their Brethren into the wilderness

& thus a tremendeous Battle yea even such an one as never had been Known among all the Peopl(e) in the land from the time Lehi left Jerusalem yea & tens of thousands of the Lamanites were slain & scattered abroad

yea & also there was a tremendeos slaughter among the People of Nephi nevertheless the Lamanites were driven & scattered & the Peopl of Nephi returned again to their lands

& now this was a time that there was a great mourning & lamentation heard throughout all the land among all the People of Nephi

yea the cry of widows mourning for their Hus()bands & also of Fathers () mourning for their Sons & the Daughter for the Brother yea & the Brother for the Father & thus the cry of mourning was heard among every one of **243** them a mourning for their Kindred which had been slain

& now exertation of Alma surely this was a sorrowful day yea a time of solemnity & a time of much fas-ting & prayer

& thus endeth the fifteenth year of the reign of the Judges over the people of Nephi

& this is the account of Ammon & his brethren their journeyings into the land of Nephi their sufferings in the land their sorrows & afflictions & their incomprehensible joy & the reception & safty of the brethren in the land of Jershon & now may the Lord the redeemer of all men bless their souls forever

CHAPTER 28

The Lamanites are defeated in a tremendous battle—Tens of thousands are slain—The wicked are consigned to a state of endless woe; the righteous attain a never-ending happiness. About 77–76 B.C.

¹**And** now it came to pass that after the **people** of Ammon were established in the land of Jershon, **and** a church also established in the land of **Jershon, and** the armies of the Neph(ites) were set round about the land of Jershon, yea, in all the borders round about the land of Zarahemla; behold the armies of the Lamanites had follo[]()wed their **brethren** into the wilderness.

²**And** thus **there was** a tremend[]ous battle; yea, even such an one as never had been **known** among all the **people** in the land from the time Lehi left Jerusalem; yea, **and** tens of thousands of the Lamanites were slain **and** scattered abroad.

³**Yea, and** also there was a tremend[]ous slaughter among the **people** of Nephi; nevertheless, the Lamanites were driven **and** scattered, **and** the **people** of Nephi returned again to their land[].

⁴**And** now this was a time that there was a great mourning **and** lamentation heard throughout all the land, among all the **people** of Nephi—

⁵**Yea,** the cry of widows mourning for their **hus()bands, and** also of **fathers []** mourning for their **sons, and** the **daughter** for the **brother,** yea, **[X]** the **brother** for the **father;** **and** thus the cry of mourning was heard among **all [X]** of them, **[]** mourning for their **kindred who** had been slain.

⁶**And** now **[_ _ _ _ _ X X]** surely this was a sorrowful day; yea, a time of solemnity, **and** a time of much fas[-]ting **and** prayer.

⁷**And** thus endeth the fifteenth year of the reign of the **judges** over the people of Nephi;

⁸**And** this is the account of Ammon **and** his brethren, their journeyings in the land of Nephi, their suf[]ferings in the land, their sorrows, **and** **their** afflictions, **and** their incomprehensible joy, **and** the reception **and** safety of the brethren in the land of Jershon. **And** now may the Lord, the **Redeemer** of all men, bless their souls forever.

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& this is the account of the wars & contentions among the Nephites & also the wars bet(ween the Nephites & th(e) Lamanites & the ~~fi~~th fifteenth year of the reign of the (Judges) is ended

& from the first year to the fifteenth has brought to pass the destruc-tion of many thousand lives yea it has brought to pass an awful scene of blood-shed

& the boddies of many thousands are laid low in the earth while the bo-dies of many thousands are mouldering in heaps upon the face of the earth yea & many thousands are mourning for ~~#~~ the loss of their kindred because they have reason to fear according to the promises of the Lord that they are consigned to a state of endless wo(e)

while many thousands of others truly mourn for the loss of their kind-red yet they rejoice & exult in the hope yea & even Know according to the promises of the Lord that they are raised to dwell at the right hand of God † in a state of nev-erending happiness

& thus we see how great the inequality of man is because of sin & tra-nsgression & the Power of the devil which comes by the cunning œ plans which he hath devised to ensnare the hearts of men

& thus we see the great call of the diligen-ce of ~~men~~ men to labour in the vineyards of the Lord & thus we see the great reason of sorrow & also of rejoicing sorrow because of death & destruction among men & joy because of the light of Christ unto life

⁹And this is the account of the wars and contentions among the Nephites, and also the wars bet(ween the Nephites and the Lamanites; and the [_ _ _ _ _] fifteenth year of the reign of the judges is ended.

¹⁰And from the first year to the fifteenth has brought to pass the destruc[-]tion of many thousand lives; yea, it has brought to pass an awful scene of blood[-]shed.

¹¹And the bod[]ies of many thousands are laid low in the earth, while the bo[-]dies of many thousands are mo[]ldering in heaps upon the face of the earth; yea, and many thousands are mourning for [_] the loss of their kindred, because they have reason to fear, according to the promises of the Lord, that they are consigned to a state of endless wo[][].

¹²While many thousands of others truly mourn for the loss of their kind[-]red, yet they rejoice and exult in the hope, [X] and even know, according to the promises of the Lord, that they are raised to dwell at the right hand of God, [] in a state of nev[-]er-ending happiness.

¹³And thus we see how great the inequality of man is because of sin and tra[-]nsgression, and the power of the devil, which comes by the cunning [X] plans which he hath devised to ensnare the hearts of men.

¹⁴And thus we see the great call of [X] diligen[-]ce of [X] men to labo[]r in the vineyards of the Lord; and thus we see the great reason of sorrow, and also of rejoic[]ing—sorrow because of death and destruction among men, and joy because of the light of Christ unto life.