

**CHAPTER 33**

*Zenos taught that men should pray and worship in all places, and that judgments are turned away because of the Son—Zenock taught that mercy is bestowed because of the Son—Moses had lifted up in the wilderness a type of the Son of God. About 74 B.C.*

now after Alma had spoken these words they sent forth unto him desiring to know whether they should believe in one God that they might obtain this fruit of which he had spoken or how they should plant the seed or the word of which he had spoken which he said must be plante(d) in their hearts or in what manner they should begin to exercise there faith

& Alma sayeth unto them behold ye have said that ye could not worship your God because ye are cast out of your Synagogues but behold I say unto you if ye sup-pose that ye cannot worship your God ye do greatly err & ye had #ought to search the scriptures for if ye suppose that they have taught you this ye do not understa-nd them

do ye remember to have read what Zenos the prophet of old hath said con-cerning prayer of or worship

for he sayeth thou art merciful O God for thou hast heard my prayer even when I was in the wilderness yea thou wast m-erciful when I prayed concerning those which were mine enemies & thou didst turn them to me

yea O God & thou wast merciful unto me when I did cry unto (thee in my field)  
aches to the Zoramites  
 when I did cry unto thee in my prayer & thou didst hear me

& again O God when I did turn to my house thou didst hear me in my prayer

& when I did turn unto my closet O Lord & prayed unto thee thou didst hear me

yea thou art merciful unto thy children when they cry unto thee to be heard of thee & not of men & thou wilt hear them

yea O God thou hast been merciful unto me & heard my cries in the midst of thy congregations

<sup>1</sup>Now after Alma had spoken these words, they sent forth unto him desir[ ]ing to know whether they should believe in one God, that they might obtain this fruit of which he had spoken, or how they should plant the seed, or the word of which he had spoken, which he said must be plante(d) in their hearts; or in what manner they should begin to exercise their faith.

<sup>2</sup>And Alma said unto them: Behold, ye have said that ye could not worship your God because ye are cast out of your synagogues. But behold, I say unto you, if ye sup[-]pose that ye cannot worship [X] God, ye do greatly err, and ye [X] [ ]ought to search the scriptures; [X] if ye suppose that they have taught you this, ye do not understa[-]nd them.

<sup>3</sup>Do ye remember to have read what Zenos, the prophet of old, has[ ] said con[-]cerning prayer [X] or worship?

<sup>4</sup>For he said: Thou art merciful, O God, for thou hast heard my prayer, even when I was in the wilderness; yea, thou wast m[-]erciful when I prayed concerning those who were mine enemies, and thou didst turn them to me.

<sup>5</sup>Yea, O God, and thou wast merciful unto me when I did cry unto thee in my field;  
 [ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ X X X ]  
 when I did cry unto thee in my prayer, and thou didst hear me.

<sup>6</sup>And again, O God, when I did turn to my house thou didst hear me in my prayer.

<sup>7</sup>And when I did turn unto my closet, O Lord, and prayed unto thee, thou didst hear me.

<sup>8</sup>Yea, thou art merciful unto thy children when they cry unto thee, to be heard of thee and not of men, and thou wilt hear them.

<sup>9</sup>Yea, O God, thou hast been merciful unto me, and heard my cries in the midst of thy congregations.

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yea & thou hast also heard me when I have been cast out & have *been despised* by mine enemies yea thou didst hear my cries & wast angry *with mine enemies* & thou didst visit them in thine anger with speedy *destruction*

& thou didst hear me because of mine afflictions & my sincerity & it is because of thy son that thou hast been thus merciful unto me therefore I will cry unto thee in **256** all mine afflictions for in thee is my joy for thou hast turned thy Judgments *away* from me because of *thy Son*

& now Alma sayeth unto them *do ye believe those scriptures which have been w(ritten by them of Old*

behold if ye do ye must believe what Zenos sayeth for behold he saye~~th~~ thou hast turned away thy Judgments because of thy son

now behold *my Brethren* I would ask if ye have read these scriptures (if ye have) how can ye *disbelieve* on the son of God

for it is not written that Zenos alone spake of these things but ~~Zenock~~ Zenock also spake of ~~#~~ these things

for behold he s-ayeth *thou art angry* O Lord with this people because they will not understand of thy mercies which thou hast bestowed upon them *cause of thy Son*

& now *my Brethren* ye see that a second Propet of Old has testified of the son of God & becau-se the People would not understand his words they stoned him to *death*

but beh-old this is not all these are not the only ones which have spoken concerning the Son of God

behold he was spoken of by *Moses* yea & behold a type was raised up in the wilderness that whosoever would look upon it might live & many did look & live

but few understood the meaning of those things & this because of the ~~hea~~ hardness of their hearts but there were many which were so *hardened* that they would not look *therefore* they *perished* now the reason that they wou(ld not look is because they *did not believe* that it would heal them

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<sup>10</sup>Yea, **and** thou hast also heard me when I have been cast out **and** have been despised by mine enemies; yea, thou didst hear my cries, **and** wast angry with mine enemies, **and** thou didst visit them in thine anger with speedy destruction.

<sup>11</sup>**And** thou didst hear me because of mine afflictions **and** my sincerity; **and** it is because of thy Son that thou hast been thus merciful unto me, therefore I will cry unto thee in all mine afflictions, for in thee is my joy; for thou hast turned thy judgments **away** from me, because of thy Son.

<sup>12</sup>**And** now Alma **said** unto them: **Do** ye believe those scriptures which have been w(ritten by them of **old**?

<sup>13</sup>**Behold**, if ye do, ye must believe what Zenos **said**; for, behold he **said**: **Thou** hast turned away thy judgments because of thy **Son**.

<sup>14</sup>**Now** behold, my brethren, I would ask if ye have read the scriptures? **If ye [ ] have**, how can ye disbelieve on the **Son** of God?

<sup>15</sup>**F**or it is not written that Zenos alone spake of these things, but **[X]** Zenock also spake of **[ \_ ]** these things—

<sup>16</sup>**F**or behold, he **said**: **Thou** art ang[ ]ry, O Lord, with this people, because they will not understand **[X]** thy mercies which thou hast bestowed upon them **because of thy Son**.

<sup>17</sup>**And** now, my brethren, ye see that a second prophet of **old** has testified of the **Son** of God, **and** becau[-]se the **people** would not understand his words they stoned him to death.

<sup>18</sup>**B**ut beh[-]old, this is not all; these are not the only ones **who** have spoken concerning the Son of God.

<sup>19</sup>**Behold**, he was spoken of by **Moses**; yea, **and** behold a type was raised up in the wilderness, that whosoever would look upon it might live. **And** many did look **and** live.

<sup>20</sup>**B**ut few understood the meaning of those things, **and** this because of the **[ \_ \_ ]** hardness of their hearts. **But** there were many **who** were so **h[ ]ardened** that they would not look, therefore they **perished**. **Now** the reason **[X]** they wou(ld not look is because they **did not believe** that it would heal them.

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O my Breth(ren if ye could be healed by merely casting about your eyes that ye might beh(eald would ye not behold quickly or would ye rather heardon your hearts in un()belief & be sloathful that ye would not cast about your eyes that ye might pe(rish

if so wo shall come upon you but if not so then cast about your eyes & begin to believe in the Son of God that he will come to redeem his People & that he shall suffer & die to atone for their sins & that he shall rise again from the Amuleks Preachi dead which shall bring to pass the resu/rection that all men shall stand before him to be judged at the last & Judgment day acco--rding to their works

& now my Brethren I desire that ye should plant this word in your hearts & as it begineth to swell even so nourish it by your faith & behold it will become a tree spring-ing up in you unto everlasting life & then may God grant unto you that your Burdens may be light through the joy of his Son & even all this can ye do if ye will ~~Amen.~~ Amen.

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<sup>21</sup>O my breth(ren, if ye could be healed by merely casting about your eyes that ye might be[ ]h(ealed, would ye not behold quickly, or would ye rather h[ ]arden your hearts in un()belief, and be slo[ ]thful, that ye would not cast about your eyes, that ye might pe(rish?

<sup>22</sup>If so, wo shall come upon you; but if not so, then cast about your eyes and begin to believe in the Son of God, that he will come to redeem his people, and that he shall suffer and die to atone for their sins; and that he shall rise again from the [X\_ \_ \_ \_ \_] dead, which shall bring to pass the resurrection, that all men shall stand before him, to be judged at the last and judgment day, acco[-][-]rding to their works.

<sup>23</sup>And now, my brethren, I desire that ye shall[ ] plant this word in your hearts, and as it beginneth to swell even so nourish it by your faith. And behold, it will become a tree, spring[-]ing up in you unto everlasting life. And then may God grant unto you that your burdens may be light, through the joy of his Son. And even all this can ye do if ye will [ \_ \_ \_ \_ ]. Amen.