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The Commandments of Alma to his Son Corianton

Chap. XIX

**268** And now my Son I have somewhat more to say unto thee than what I said unto th(y) Brothers for Behold have ye not observed the stediness of thy Brother's his faithfulness & his diligence in keeping the commandments of God behold has he not set a good examp-le for the(e)

for thou didst not give so much head unto my words as did thy Brother among the People of the Zoramites now *this is* what I have against thee thou didst go on unto boasting in thy strength & thy wisdom

& this is not all my Son thou didst do that which was grievous unto me for thou didst for sake the ministry & did go ov-er into the land of Siron among the borders of the Lamanites after the Harlot Isabel

yea she did se(s'ea)l away the hearts of many but this was no excuse for the my Son thou shouldst have tended to the ministry where with thou wast entrusted

(k)no ye n-ot my Son that these things are an abomination in the sight of the Lord yea most abominable above all sins save it be the ~~feeding~~ shedding of inocent blood or denying the Holy Ghost

fore behold if ye deny the Holy Ghost when its once ha(oth) had place in you & ye ~~no~~ know that ye deny it behold this is a sin which is unpardonable yea & & whosoever murdereth against the light & knowledge of God it is not easy for him to obtain forgiveness yea I say unto you my Son that it is not easy for him to ~~obtain~~ obtain a forgiveness

& now my Son I wo(uld) to God that ye had not been guilty of so great a crime I would not dwe(ell) upon your crimes to(h)harrow up your ~~e~~ Soul if it were not for your good

but behold ye cannot hide your crimes from God & except ye repent they wi-ll stand as a testimony against you at the last day

The commandments of Alma to his son Corianton. *Comprising chapters 39 through 42.*

**CHAPTER 39** [ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ]  
*Sexual sin is an abomination—Corianton's sins kept the Zoramites from receiving the word—Christ's redemption is retroactive in saving the faithful who preceded it. About 74 B.C.*

<sup>1</sup>And now, my son, I have somewhat more to say unto thee than what I said unto th(y) brother[ ]; for behold, have ye not observed the steadiness of thy brother[ ], his faithfulness, and his diligence in keeping the commandments of God? Behold, has he not set a good examp[-]le for thee?

<sup>2</sup>For thou didst not give so much heed unto my words as did thy brother, among the people of the Zoramites. Now this is what I have against thee; thou didst go on unto boasting in thy strength and thy wisdom.

<sup>3</sup>And this is not all, my son. Thou didst do that which was griev[ ]ous unto me; for thou didst for[ ]sake the ministry, and did go ov[-]er into the land of Siron among the borders of the Lamanites, after the harlot Isabel.

<sup>4</sup>Yea, she did [ \_ ]steal[ \_ ] away the hearts of many; but this was no excuse for thee, my son. Thou shouldst have tended to the ministry where[ ]with thou wast entrusted.

<sup>5</sup>Know ye n[-]ot, my son, that these things are an abomination in the sight of the Lord; yea, most abominable above all sins save it be the [ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ] shedding of innocent blood or denying the Holy Ghost?

<sup>6</sup>For[ ] behold, if ye deny the Holy Ghost when it[ ] once ha(ost[ ]) had place in you, and ye [X] know that ye deny it, behold, this is a sin which is unpardonable; yea, [X] and whosoever murdereth against the light and knowledge of God, it is not easy for him to obtain forgiveness; yea, I say unto you, my son, that it is not easy for him to [ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ] obtain a forgiveness.

<sup>7</sup>And now, my son, I wo(uld) to God that ye had not been guilty of so great a crime. I would not dwe(ell) upon your crimes, to[ ]harrow up your [ \_ ] soul, if it were not for your good.

<sup>8</sup>But behold, ye cannot hide your crimes from God; and except ye repent they wi[-]ll stand as a testimony against you at the last day.

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now my Son I would th-at ye should repent & forsake your Sins & go no more after the lusts of your eyes but cross your self in all these things for except ye do this ye can in no wise inherit the Kingdom of God O remember & take it upon you & cross yourself in these things

& I command you to take it upon you to counsel your elder brothers in your undertakings for Behold thou art in thy Youth & ye stand in need to be nourished by your Brothers & give head to their Counsel

suffer not yourself to be led away by any vain or foolish thing suffer not that the Devil lead away your heart again after those wicked harlots behold O my Son how great iniquity ye brought upon the Zo--ramites for when they saw your conduct they would not believe in my words

& now the spirit of the Lord doth say unto me command thy children to do good lest they lead away the hearts of many People to destruction therefore I command you my Son in the fear of God that ye refrain from your iniquities

that ye turn to the Lord with all your mind might & strength that ye lead away the hearts of no more to do wic-kedly but rather return unto them & acknowledge your faults & repair that wrong which ye have done

seek not after riches nor the vain things of this would for behold you cannot carry them with you

& now my Son I would say somewhat unto you concerning the comeing **269** of Christ behold I say unto you that it is him that surely sh-all come to take away the sins of the world yea he cometh to declare glad tidings of salvation unto his People

& now my Son this was the ministry unto which ye were called to declare these glad tidings unto this People to prepare their minds or rather that Salvation might come unto them that they may prepare the minds of ~~him~~ their Children to hear the word at the time of his comeing

& now I will ease your mind somewhat on this subject behold you marvel why these things should be known so long beforehand behold I say unto you is not a soul at this time as precious unto God as a soul will be at the time of his coming

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<sup>9</sup>Now my son, I would th[-]at ye should repent **and** forsake your sins, **and** go no more after the lusts of your eyes, but cross your[-]self in all these things; for except ye do this ye can in no[-]wise inherit the kingdom of God. **Oh, remember, and** take it upon you, **and** cross yourself in these things.

<sup>10</sup>**And** I command you to take it upon you to counsel **with** your elder brothers in your undertak[-]ings; for **behold**, thou art in thy youth, **and** ye stand in need to be nourished by your brothers. **And** give heed to their counsel.

<sup>11</sup>Suffer not yourself to be led[-] away by any vain or foolish thing; suffer not **[X]** the devil **to** lead away your heart again after those wicked harlots. **Behold**, O my son, how great iniquity ye brought upon the Zo[-][-]ramites; for when they saw your conduct they would not believe in my words.

<sup>12</sup>**And** now the Spirit of the Lord doth say unto me: **Command** thy children to do good, lest they lead away the hearts of many people to destruction; therefore I command you, my son, in the fear of God, that ye refrain from your iniquities;

<sup>13</sup>**T**hat ye turn to the Lord with all your mind, might, **and** strength; that ye lead away the [-]hearts of no more to do wic[-]kedly; but rather return unto them, **and** acknowledge your faults **and** **[X]** that wrong which ye have done.

<sup>14</sup>Seek not after riches nor the vain things of this wo[-]rld; for behold, you cannot carry them with you.

<sup>15</sup>**And** now, my son, I would say somewhat unto you conc[-]erning the com[-]ing of Christ. **Behold**, I say unto you, that it is he[-] that surely sh[-]all come to take away the sins of the world; yea, he cometh to declare glad tidings of salvation unto his people.

<sup>16</sup>**And** now, my son, this was the ministry unto which ye were called, to declare these glad tidings unto this people, to prepare their minds; or rather that salvation might come unto them, that they may prepare the minds of **[X\_ \_]** their children to hear the word at the time of his com[-]ing.

<sup>17</sup>**And** now I will ease your mind somewhat on this subject. **Behold**, you marvel why these things should be known so long beforehand. **Behold**, I say unto you, is not a soul at this time as precious unto God as a soul will be at the time of his coming?

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<sup>18</sup>Is it not as necessary that the plan of redempti[-]on should be made known unto this people as well as unto their children?

<sup>19</sup>Is it not as easy at this time for the Lord to send his angel to declare these glad tidings unto us as unto our children, or as after the time of his com[\_]ing?