

but behold I Jacob would speak unto you that are pure in heart look unto God wi-th firmness of mind & pray unto him with exceding faith & he will console you in yo-ur afflictions & he will plead your cause & send down Justice upon those who seek your destruction

O all ye that are pure in heart lift up your heads & receive the pleasing word of God & feast upon his love for ye may if your minds are firm forever

but wo wo unto you that are not pure in heart that are filthy this day **99** before God for except ye shall repent the land is cursed for your sakes & the Laman-ites which are not filthy like unto you nevertheless they are cursed with a sore curs-ing shall scorge you even unto destruction

& the time speedily cometh that except ye repent they shall possess the land of your inheritance & the Lord God will lead away the righteous out from among you

behold the Lamanites whom ye hate because of the-ir filthyne-ss & the cursings which hath come upon their skins are more righteo-us *then you* for they have not forgotten the commandments of the Lord *which* was given unto our father that they should have save it were one wife & concubines they should have none & there should not be whoredoms committed among them

& now this commandment they observe to keep wherefore because of this observance in kee-ping this commandment the Lord God will not destroy them but will be merciful unto them & one day they shall become a blessed People

behold their husbands love their wives & their wives love their husbands & their husbands & their wives love their Ch(ildren & their unbelief & their hatred towards you is because of the iniquity of their fath-ers wherefore how much better are you then they in the sight of your great Creator

CHAPTER 3

The pure in heart receive the pleasing word of God—Lamanite righteousness exceeds that of the Nephites—Jacob warns against fornication, lasciviousness, and every sin. About 544–421 B.C.

¹But behold, I, Jacob, would speak unto you that are pure in heart. **Look** unto God wi[-]th firmness of mind, **and** pray unto him with exceding faith, **and** he will console you in yo[-]ur afflictions, **and** he will plead your cause, **and** send down **j**ustice upon those who seek your destruction.

²O all ye that are pure in heart, lift up your heads **and** receive the pleasing word of God, **and** feast upon his love; for ye may, if your minds are firm, forever.

³But, wo, wo, unto you that are not pure in heart, that are filthy this day before God; for except ye **[X]** repent the land is cursed for your sakes; **and** the Laman[-]ites, which are not filthy like unto you, nevertheless they are cursed with a sore curs[-]ing, shall scourge you even unto destruction.

⁴**And** the time speedily cometh, that except ye repent they shall possess the land of your inheritance, **and** the Lord God will lead away the righteous out from among you.

⁵Behold, the Lamanites **your brethren**, whom ye hate because of the[-]ir filthyne[-]ss **and** the cursing[-] which hath come upon their skins, are more righteo[-]us **than you**; for they have not forgotten the commandment[-] of the Lord, **which** was given unto our father—that they should have save it were one wife, **and** concubines they should have none, **and** there should not be whoredoms committed among them.

⁶**And** now, this commandment they observe to keep; wherefore, because of this observance, in kee[-]ping this commandment, the Lord God will not destroy them, but will be merciful unto them; **and** one day they shall become a blessed **people**.

⁷Behold, their husbands love their wives, **and** their wives love their husbands; **and** their husbands **and** their wives love their **ch**(ildren; **and** their unbelief **and** their hatred towards you is because of the iniquity of their fath[-]ers; wherefore, how much better are you **than** they, in the sight of your great Creator?

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O my Brethren I fear that unless ye shall repent of your Sins that their skins will be whi-ter then yours when ye shall be brought with them before the throne of God

wherefore a Commandment I give unto you which is the word of God that ye revile no more ~~ag~~ ag-ainst them because of the darkness of their skins neither shall ye revile against them be-cause of their filthiness but ye shall remember your own filthiness & remember that their filthiness came because of their fathers

wherefore ye shall remember your Children how that ye have grieved their hearts because of the example that ye have sot before th-em & also remember that ye may ~~be deau~~ because of your filthiness bring your children un-to destruction & their Sins be heaped upon your heads at the last day

O my Brethren he-arken unto my words arouse the faculties of your souls shake yourselves that ye ma-y awake from the slumber of death & loose yourselves from the pains of hell that ye may n-ot become Angels to the Devil to be cast into that lake of fire & brimstone which is the second death

& now I Jacob spake many more things unto the People of Neph-i warning them against fornication & liciviesness & every kind of sin telling th-em of the awful consequences of them

& a hundredth part of the procedings of this People which now began to be numerous cannot be written upon these plates but many of their procedings are written upon the larger plates & their wars & (their) conten-tions & the reigns of their Kings

these plates are called the plates of Jacob & they were made by the hand of Nephi & I make an end of speaking these words

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⁸O my **brethren**, I fear that unless ye shall repent of your **sins** that their skins will be whi[-]ter **than** yours, when ye shall be brought with them before the throne of God.

⁹Wherefore, a **commandment** I give unto you, which is the word of God, that ye revile no more [_ _] ag[-]ainst them because of the darkness of their skins; neither shall ye revile against them be[-]cause of their filthiness; but ye shall remember your own filthiness, **and** remember that their filthiness came because of their fathers.

¹⁰Wherefore, ye shall remember your **children**, how that ye have grieved their hearts because of the example that ye have **set** before th[-]em; **and** also, remember that ye may, [_ _ _ _ _] because of your filthiness, bring your children un[-]to destruction, **and** their **sins** be heaped upon your heads at the last day.

¹¹O my **brethren**, he[-]arken unto my words; arouse the faculties of your souls; shake yourselves that ye ma[-]y awake from the slumber of death; **and** loose yourselves from the pains of hell that ye may n[-]ot become **angels** to the **devil**, to be cast into that lake of fire **and** brimstone which is the second death.

¹²**And** now I, Jacob, spake many more things unto the **people** of Neph[-]i, warning them against fornication **and lasciviousness**, **and** every kind of sin, telling th[-]em [X] the awful consequences of them.

¹³**And** a hundredth part of the procedings of this **people**, which now began to be numerous, cannot be written upon these plates; but many of their procedings are written upon the larger plates, **and** their wars, **and their** conten[-]tions, **and** the reigns of their **kings**.

¹⁴These plates are called the plates of Jacob, **and** they were made by the hand of Nephi. **And** I make an end of speaking these words.