

EXAMPLE: A typical comparative verse from both sides will look like this entry from Alma 30:51

OM/PM (left) column:

& now when the chief Judge saw this he put fo-rth his hand & wrote unto Korihor saying art thou convinced of the Power of ~~gd~~ God in (w)home did ye desire that Alma should shew forth his sign would ye that he should afflict others to shew unto thee a sign now behold he hath shewed un-to you a sign & now will ye dispute more

Current Edition (right) column:

⁵¹**And** now when the chief judge saw this, he put fo[-]rth his hand **and** wrote unto Korihor, saying: **Art** thou convinced of the power of [_] God? **In** whom[] did ye desire that Alma should **show** forth his sign? **Would** ye that he should afflict others, to **show** unto thee a sign? **[X]** **Behold**, he has[] showed un[-]to you a sign; **and** now will ye dispute more

The comparison differences are noted (and addressed in their first occurrence *only* in this verse) as follows:

- 1) LINE ONE: The verse number appears in the right column in *Red-Superscript*.
- 2) LINE ONE: The ampersand (&) in the PM is changed to **And** in the *Current Edition* column.
- 3) LINE ONE: The next two words are from the PM (black), and the remaining are from the **OM** (blue). Although the PM provides us with fewer issues, the **OM** is given priority over the PM because of originality.
- 4) LINE ONE: The word *chief* is displayed with the letters *i* and *e* in italics. These two letters indicate an insignificant change or difference in the **OM**.
- 5) LINE ONE: The letter **J** in *Judge* is changed to lower-case in the *right* column.
- 6) LINE ONE: A comma is absent after the word *this* and is corrected in the *right* column.
- 7) LINE TWO: A hyphen was incorrectly used in the word *for-th*, to separate two lines in the **OM**. It is shown in the right column as [-].
- 8) LINE TWO: The words “Korihor saying art” have been damaged in the **OM**. Thus, the PM is given priority for them.
- 9) LINE TWO: The PM did not include a colon after “saying” but it is correctly inserted in the *Current Edition* version. As such, it is identified in **Bold-Red type**.
- 10) LINE THREE: The PM did not capitalize the first letter of “art” but it is corrected in the *Current Edition* version. It is identified in **Bold-Red type**.
- 11) LINE THREE: The **OM** erroneously capitalized the first letter in *Power*, but it is corrected to lower-case in the *Current Edition* version and identified in **Bold-Red type**.
- 12) LINE THREE: In the **OM**, the letter *f* in the word *of* was over-written, causing it to be a minor issue. These changes are considered less significant and are identified on the **OM/PM** side in *italics* form. There is no reference to them on the *Current Edition* side.
- 13) LINE THREE: Oliver Cowdery wrote and then crossed out ~~gd~~; immediately printing the word *God* next to it. This two-letter correction is identified on the *Current Edition* side as two bracketed under-scores in **Bold-Red type**.
- 14) LINE THREE: The **OM** did not include a question mark after the word *God*. It is correctly inserted in the *right* column. As such, it is identified in **Bold-Red type**.
- 15) LINE THREE: In the newly developed sentence, the **OM** did not capitalize the first letter of *in*. It is corrected in the *Current Edition* version and identified in **Bold-Red type**.
- 16) LINE FOUR: The *w* of *whom* is an insertion on the **OM** and is identified in the **OM/PM** column surrounded by parentheses. It is shown in **Bold-Red type** in the *Current Edition* column.
- 17) LINE FOUR: The letter *e* does not belong at the end of the word *whome* as it is shown in the **OM/PM** column. The eradicated letter is identified in the *right* column as a single-letter bracketed under-score in **Bold-Red type**.
- 18) LINE FOUR: The word *shew* should be spelled *show*. The *e* has been corrected in **Bold-Red type** in the *Current Edition* column.
- 19) LINE SIX: The word *now* was deemed redundant at the beginning of this new sentence and stricken from the *Current Edition*. It is referenced by a bracketed X in **Bold-Red type** in the *right* column.

*It should be noted that the integrity of the handwritten text is maintained in the left column, while every difference is noted in the *Current Edition* version on the right.*