

1st Nephi 8

¹and it came to pass that we had getherd to geather
all manner of seeds of every king
both of grain of every kind and also of the seeds of fruits of every king

²and it came to pass that while my father tarried in the wilderness
he spake unto us saying
be hold i have dreamd a dream
or in *other* words i have seen a vission

³and behold because of the thing which *I* have seen
i have reason to rejoice in the lor^d because of nephi and also of sam
for i have reason to suppose
that they and also meny of their seed will be saved

⁴but behold Laman & lemual i fear exedingly because of you

for behold me *thought* ⁱ saw a dark And dreary wilderness

⁵and it came to pass that i saw a Man and he was drest in a white robe
and he came and stood before me

⁶and it came to pass that he spake unto me and bade me follow him

⁷and it came to pass that As i followed him
and after i had followed him

i beheld myself that i was in a dark and dreary waste

⁸and after that i had traveled for the space ~~f~~^{of} ~~or~~ meny hours in darkness
i began to pray unto the lord that he would have mercy on me
according to the multitude of his tender mercies

⁹and it came to pass that I after i had praid unto the lord

i beheld A large and spacious field

¹⁰& it came to pass that i beheld a tree
whose fruit was desirable to make one happy

¹¹and it came to pass that i did go forth and partook of the fruit thereof
and beheld that it was Most sweet above all that i ever had before ¹ tasted
yea and i beheld that the fruit thereof was white
to exceed all the whiteness that i had ever seen

¹²and as i partook of the fruit thereof
it fild my soul with exeding great joy

wherefore i began to be desirus that my fa^{family} ~~my~~ should partake of it also
for i knew that it was desirus Above all other fruit

¹³and as i cast my eyes around about
that perhaps i might dis^cover my fammaly also
And i beheld a river of water and it ran along
and it was near the tree of which i was partaking the fruit

¹ OM Header = Lehi's dream of the Precious fruit

¹⁴and i loocked to behold from whence it came
and i saw the head thereof a little way of
and at the head thereof i beheld your Mother sariah and Sam and nephi
and they stood as if they knew not *whither they should go*
¹⁵and it came to pass that i beckoned unto them
and i also did say unto them *with* a loud voice
that they should come unto me and partake of the fruite
which was desirable above all other fruit
¹⁶and it came to pass that they *did* come unto me and partake of the fruit Also

¹⁷and it came to pass that i was desirus
that *laman* And *lemual* should come and partake of the fruit also
Wherefor^e i cast mine eyes toward the head of the river
that perhaps I might see *them*
¹⁸and it came to pass that i s^aw them
but they would not *come* unto Me and partake of the fruit

¹⁹and i beheld a rod of iron
and it extended along the bank of the river
And led to the tree by which i stood
²⁰and i also beheld a Strait and *narroug* path
which came along by the rod of iron
even to the tree by which i stood
and it also led *by* the head of the fountain unto a large and specious field
as if it had ben a world

²¹And i saw numberless concorses of people
many of ^whome are presing forward
that they might *obtain* the path
which led unto the tree by which i stood
²²and it came to pass that they did come forth
and commens^d in the path which led to the tree
²³and it came to pass that there arose a mist of darkness
yea ~~an~~ even an exceding great mist of darkness
insomuch that they *which* had commeced in the path did loose their way
that they ~~ē~~ wanderd of and ware lost
²⁴and it came to p^{as}s that i beheld *others* pressing forward
And they came forth and caught hold of the end of the rod of iron
and they did press forward through the mists of darkness
clinging to the rod of *iron*
even until they did come forth and partook of the fruit of the tree
²⁵and after that they h had partook of the fruit Of *the* tree
they did cast they eyes about as if they ware a shamed

²⁶and i also cast my eyes round a bout
and beheld on the other side of the river of water ~~of water of water~~ a great and spesious bilding
and it stood as it ware in the are high above the earth

²⁷and it was filled with people both old and young both male and female
and their manner of dress was exceeding fine
and they ware in the attitude of mocking and ² pointing their fingers
towards those which had came *up* and ware partaking of the fruit
²⁸and after that they had *tasted* of the fruit they ware ashamed
because of those that ware A scoffing at them
and they fell away into forbidden paths and ware lost

²⁹& now i nephi do not speak all the words of my father
³⁰but to be short in writing behold he saw other multitudes pressing forwards
and they came amd caught hold of the end of the rod of iron
and they did press their way forward
continually holding fast to the rod of iron
until they came forth and fell down and partook of the fruit of the tree
³¹and *he* also saw other multitudes prsing their way
towards that great and specious bilding
³²and it came to p^ass that menny were drownd in the d^epth of the fountain
& many ware lost from ~~My view~~ his wiew wandring in strang roads
³³and great was the multitude *that* did enter into that strange building
and after that they did enter into that buⁱlding
they did point the finger of scorn *at* me
and those that ware partaking of the fruit also
but we heded them not
³⁴thus is the words of my father

for as many as heded them had ~~to fall in their~~ fallen away
³⁵and laman and lemual partook not of the fruit Saith my father

³⁶and *it* came to pass that after my father had spoken
all the words of his dream or vission which ware many
he said unto us
becaus of these things which he saw in a vission
he exceedingly feard for laman & lemual
ye he feard lest they should be cast of from the pressance of the lord
³⁷and he did exort them then with all the feeling of a tender parent
that they would herken to his words
in that perhaps the lord would be mersyfull to them and not cast them of
yea my father did preach unto them
³⁸and after that he had preacht unto them
and also prophesⁱed unto them of many thing^s
he bade them to keep the commandments of the lord
and he did seace speaking unto *them*

² OM Header = Lehi's fear^s for laman & lemual and he exhorts *them*