

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 forth his hand & wrote unto Korihor saying art thou convinced of the Power of ~~gd~~ God in ^whome 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 unto you a sign & now will ye dispute more

Current Edition (right) column:

⁵¹**And** now when the chief **j**udge saw this, he put forth his hand **and** wrote unto Korihor, saying: **Art** thou convinced of the **p**ower 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** unto 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 letter **J** in **Judge** is changed to lower-case in the *right* column.
- 5) LINE ONE: A comma is absent after the word **this** and is corrected in the *right* column.
- 6) LINE TWO: The words “Korihor saying art” have been damaged in the **OM**. Thus, the PM is given priority for them.
- 7) 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**.
- 8) 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**.
- 9) 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**.
- 10) 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**.
- 11) 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**.
- 12) 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**.
- 13) LINE FOUR: The ^w of **whom** is an insertion on the **OM** and is identified in the **OM/PM** column in ^{OM BLUE superscript}. It is shown in **Bold-Red type** in the *Current Edition* column.
- 14) 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**.
- 15) LINE FOUR: The word **shew** should be spelled **show**. The **e** has been corrected in **Bold-Red type** in the *Current Edition* column.
- 16) 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.*