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Chapter

And now I speak unto you Joseph my last born thou wast born in the wilderness of mine afflictions yea in the days of my greatest sorrow did thy Mother bear thee

& may the Lord consecrate also unto thee this land which is a most precious land for thine inheritance & the inheritance of thy seed with thy Brethren for thy security forever if it so be that ye shall keep the Commandments of the holy one of Israel

& now Joseph my last born whom I have brought out of the wilderness of mine afflictions may the Lord bless thee forever for thy seed shall not utterly be destroyed

for behold thou art the fruit of my loins & I am a descendant of Joseph which was carried captive into Egypt & great was the covenants of the Lord which he made unto Joseph

wherefore Joseph truly saw our day & he obtained a promise of the Lord that out of the fruit of his loins the Lord God would raise up a righteous branch unto the house of Israel not the Messiah but a branch which was to be broken off nevertheless to be remembered in the covenants of the Lord that the Messiah should be made manifest unto them in the latter days in the spirit of power unto the bringing of them out of darkness unto light yea out of hidden darkness & out of captivity unto freedom

for Joseph truly testified saying a seer shall the Lord my God raise up which shall be a choice Seer unto the fruit of my loins

yea Joseph truly said thus saith the Lord unto me a choice Seer will I raise up out of the fruit of thy loins & he shall be esteemed highly among the fruit of thy loins & unto him will I give commandment that he shall do a work for the fruit of thy loins his Brethren which shall be of great worth unto them even to the bringing of them to the knowledge of the covenants which I have made with thy fathers

CHAPTER 3 [X]

Joseph in Egypt saw the Nephites in vision—He prophesied of Joseph Smith, the latter-day seer; of Moses, who would deliver Israel; and of the coming forth of the Book of Mormon. About 588–570 B.C.

¹And now I speak unto you, Joseph, my last-born. Thou wast born in the wilderness of mine afflictions; yea, in the days of my greatest sorrow did thy mother bear thee.

²And may the Lord consecrate also unto thee this land, which is a most precious land, for thine inheritance and the inheritance of thy seed with thy brethren, for thy security forever, if it so be that ye shall keep the commandments of the Holy One of Israel.

³And now, Joseph, my last-born, whom I have brought out of the wilderness of mine afflictions, may the Lord bless thee forever, for thy seed shall not utterly be destroyed.

⁴For behold, thou art the fruit of my loins; and I am a descendant of Joseph who was carried captive into Egypt. And great were the covenants of the Lord which he made unto Joseph.

⁵Wherefore, Joseph truly saw our day. And he obtained a promise of the Lord, that out of the fruit of his loins the Lord God would raise up a righteous branch unto the house of Israel; not the Messiah, but a branch which was to be broken off, nevertheless, to be remembered in the covenants of the Lord that the Messiah should be made manifest unto them in the latter days, in the spirit of power, unto the bringing of them out of darkness unto light—yea, out of hidden darkness and out of captivity unto freedom.

⁶For Joseph truly testified, saying: A seer shall the Lord my God raise up, who shall be a choice seer unto the fruit of my loins.

⁷Yea, Joseph truly said: Thus saith the Lord unto me: A choice seer will I raise up out of the fruit of thy loins; and he shall be esteemed highly among the fruit of thy loins. And unto him will I give commandment that he shall do a work for the fruit of thy loins, his brethren, which shall be of great worth unto them, even to the bringing of them to the knowledge of the covenants which I have made with thy fathers.

& I will give unto him a commandment that he shall do none other work save the work which I shall command him & I will make him great in mine eyes for he shall do my work

& he shall be great like unto Moses whom I have said I would raise up unto you to deliver my People O house of Israel

& Moses will I raise up to deliver thy People out of the land of Egypt

but a Seer will I raise up out of the fruit of thy loins & unto him will I give power to bring forth **53** my word unto the seed of thy loins & not to the bringing forth my word o^oly saith the Lord but to the convinceing them of my word which shall have already gon^e forth among them

wherefore the fruit of my loins shall write & the fruit of the loins^s of Judak shall write & that which shall be written by the fruit of thy loins & also that which shall be written by the fruit of the loins of Judak shall grow together unto the confoundedg of fals doctrines & laying down of contentions & establishing peace among the fruit of thy loins & bringing them to the knowledge of their fathers in the latter days & also to the knowledge of my covenants saith the Lord

& out of weakness he shall be made strong in that day when my work shall commence among all my People unto the restoreing thee O house of Israel saith the Lord

& thus prophesied Josep saying behold that Seer will the Lord bless & they that seek to destroy him shall be confounded for this promise of which I have obtained of the Lord of the fruit of thy loins shall be fulfilled behold I am sure of the fulfilling of this promise

& his name shall be called after me & it shall be after the name of his father & he shall be like unto me for the thing which the Lord shall bring forth by his hand by the power of the Lord shall bring my People unto Salvation

yea thus Prophesied Josep I am sure of this thing even as I am sure of the promise of Moses for the Lord hath said unto me I will preserve thy seed forever

⁸**And** I will give unto him a commandment that he shall do none other work, save the work which I shall command him. **And** I will make him great in mine eyes; for he shall do my work.

⁹**And** he shall be great like unto Moses, whom I have said I would raise up unto you, to deliver my people, O house of Israel.

¹⁰**And** Moses will I raise up, to deliver thy people out of the land of Egypt.

¹¹**But** a seer will I raise up out of the fruit of thy loins; **and** unto him will I give power to bring forth my word unto the seed of thy loins—**and** not to the bringing forth my word **only**, saith the Lord, but to the convinc[]ing them of my word, which shall have already gon^e forth among them.

¹²**Wherefore**, the fruit of **thy** loins shall write; **and** the fruit of the loins^s of Judak shall write; **and** that which shall be written by the fruit of thy loins, **and** also that which shall be written by the fruit of the loins of Judak, shall grow together, unto the confound^{ing} of false doctrines **and** laying down of contentions, **and** establishing peace among the fruit of thy loins, **and** bringing them to the knowledge of their fathers in the latter days, **and** also to the knowledge of my covenants, saith the Lord.

¹³**And** out of weakness he shall be made strong, in that day when my work shall commence among all my people, unto the restor[]ing thee, O house of Israel, saith the Lord.

¹⁴**And** thus prophesied Joseph, saying: **Behold**, that seer will the Lord bless; **and** they that seek to destroy him shall be confounded; for this promise, **[X]** which I have obtained of the Lord, of the fruit of **my** loins, shall be fulfilled. **Behold**, I am sure of the fulfill^{ing} of this promise;

¹⁵**And** his name shall be called after me; **and** it shall be after the name of his father. **And** he shall be like unto me; for the thing, which the Lord shall bring forth by his hand, by the power of the Lord shall bring my people unto **salvation**.

¹⁶**Yea**, thus **prophesied Joseph**: I am sure of this thing, even as I am sure of the promise of Moses; for the Lord hath said unto me, I will preserve thy seed forever.

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& the Lord hath said I will raise up a Moses & I will give power unto him in a rod & I will give judgment unto him in writing yet I will not loose his tongue that he shall speak much for I will not make him mighty ^{s^m} speaking but I will write unto him my law by the finger of mine own hand & I will make one a spokesman for him

& the Lord said unto me also I will raise up unto the fruit of thy loins & I will make ^{e^{for}} him a spokesman & I behold I will give unto him that he shall write the writing of the fruit of thy loins unto the fruit of thy loins & the spokesman of thy loins shall declare it

& the words which he shall write shall be the words which is expediant in my wisdom should go forth unto the fruit of thy loins & it shall be as if the fruit of thy loins had cried unto them from the dust for I know their faith

& they shall cry from the dust yea even repentance unto their Brethren even that after many generations have gone by them & it shall come to pass that their cry shall go even according to the simpleness of their words

because of their faith their words shall proceed forth out of my mouth unto their Brethren which are the fruit of thy loins & the weakness of their words will I make strong in their faith unto the remembering of my covenant which I made unto thy fathers

& now behold my Son Joseph after this manner did my father of old Prophecy

wherefore because of this covenant thou art blessed for thy seed shall not be destroyed **54** for they shall hearken unto the words of the Book

& there shall raise up one mighty among them which shall do much good both in word & in deed being an instrument in the hands of God with exceeding faith to work mighty wonders & do that thing which is great in the sight of God unto the bringing to pass much restoration unto the house of Israel & unto the seed of thy Brethren

¹⁷**And** the Lord hath said: I will raise up a Moses; **and** I will give power unto him in a rod; **and** I will give judgment unto him in writing. **Yet** I will not loose his tongue, that he shall speak much, for I will not make him mighty **[]in[]** speaking. **But** I will write unto him my law, by the finger of mine own hand; **and** I will make **[X]** a spokesman for him.

¹⁸**And** the Lord said unto me also: I will raise up unto the fruit of thy loins; **and** I will make **[]for[]** him a spokesman. **And** I, behold, I will give unto him that he shall write the writing of the fruit of thy loins, unto the fruit of thy loins; **and** the spokesman of thy loins shall declare it.

¹⁹**And** the words which he shall write shall be the words which **are** expedient in my wisdom should go forth unto the fruit of thy loins. **And** it shall be as if the fruit of thy loins had cried unto them from the dust; for I know their faith.

²⁰**And** they shall cry from the dust; yea, even repentance unto their **brethren**, even **[X]** after many generations have gone by them. **And** it shall come to pass that their cry shall go, even according to the simpleness of their words.

²¹**Because** of their faith their words shall proceed forth out of my mouth unto their **brethren who** are the fruit of thy loins; **and** the weakness of their words will I make strong in their faith, unto the remembering of my covenant which I made unto thy fathers.

²²**And** now, behold, my **son** Joseph, after this manner did my father of old **prophecy**.

²³**Wherefore**, because of this covenant thou art blessed; for thy seed shall not be destroyed, for they shall hearken unto the words of the **book**.

²⁴**And** there shall r[]ise up one mighty among them, **who** shall do much good, both in word **and** in deed, being an instrument in the hands of God, with exceeding faith, to work mighty wonders, **and** do that thing which is great in the sight of God, unto the bringing to pass much restoration unto the house of Israel, **and** unto the seed of thy **brethren**.

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& now blessed art thou Joseph behold thou
art little wherefore hearken unto the words of thy
Brother Nephi & it shall be done unto thee even
according to the words which I have spoken
remember the words of thy dieing father
Amen—

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²⁵**And** now, blessed art thou, Joseph. **Behold**, thou
art **little**; wherefore hearken unto the words of thy
brother, Nephi, **and** it shall be done unto thee even
according to the words which I have spoken.
Remember the words of thy **dy[]ing** father.
Amen.—