

BOOK of MORMON COMPARATIVE

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yea & we also see the great wickedness one
verry wicked man can cause to take place among
the children of men

yea we see that Ameleckiah because he was a
man of Cunning deveses & a man of many
flattering words that he lead away the hearts of
many People to do wickedly yea & to seek to
destroy the church of God & to destroy the
foundation^{er} of liberty which God had granted
unto then of which blessing God had sent upon
the face of the land for the righteous sake

& now it came to pass that when Moroni which
was the chief commander of the armie^s of the
Nephites had heard of these dissensions he was
angary with Amelickidh

& it came to pass that he rent his Coat & he
took **283** a piece thereff & wrote upon it in memory
of our God our Religion & freedom & our
peace our uives & our children & he fastened
it upon the end of a pole thereoff

& he fastened on his head plate & his
breastplate & his shealds & gerded on hes
armorr about his loins & he took the pole
which had on the end thereof &
he called it hhe ~~title~~ title of liberty &
bowed himself to the earth & he prayed mightily
unto hes God for the blessings of liberty to rest upon
longong as there should a band
of Christtans remainu to posses the land

for thus were all the true believers of Chrest which
belonged to the church of God called by those who
did not belong to the church

& those who did belong to the church were
faithful yea all those who were true believers
Chirshrist took upon them gladly the name of
Chrestⁱ or Christians as they were called because
of their belief in Christ which should come

& therefore at thes time Moroni prayed htat
the cause of the Christian s & the freedom of
the land mtght be favoured

& ~~it~~ it came ho pass that when he had poured
out his so^ul to God he gave all the land which
was south of the land desolations yea & in fine
all the land both on the North & on the South
& ~~he~~ a chosen lands a the land of liberty

⁹Yea, **and** we also see the great wickedness one
ver[]y wicked man can cause to take place among
the children of men.

¹⁰Yea, we see that **Amalickiah**, because he was a
man of **cunning device[] and** a man of many
flattering words, that he le[]d away the hearts of
many **people** to do wickedly; yea, **and** to seek to
destroy the church of God, **and** to destroy the
foundation **[X]** of liberty which God had granted
unto **them**, **or** which blessing God had sent upon
the face of the land for the righteous' sake.

¹¹**And** now it came to pass that when Moroni, **who**
was the chief commander of the armies of the
Nephites, had heard of these dissensions, he was
ang[]ry with **Amalickiah**.

¹²**And** it came to pass that he rent his **coat**; **and** he
took a piece thereof, **and** wrote **upon** it—**In** memory
of our God, our **religion**, **and** freedom, **and** our
peace, our **wives**, **and** our children—**and** he fastened
it upon the end of a pole [_ _ _ _ _].

¹³**And** he fastened on his head-plate, **and** his
breastplate, **and** his **shields**, **and** girded on his
armo[]r about his loins; **and** he took the pole,
which had on the end thereof [] **his rent coat**, (**and**
he called it **the** [_ _ _ _ _] title of liberty) **and** he
bowed himself to the earth, **and** he prayed mightily
unto **his** God for the blessings of liberty to rest upon
his brethren, **so** long[_ _] as there should a band
of Christians remain to possess the land—

¹⁴**F**or thus were all the true believers of **Christ**, **who**
belonged to the church of God, called by those who
did not belong to the church.

¹⁵**And** those who did belong to the church were
faithful; yea, all those who were true believers
in Christ took upon them, gladly, the name of
Christ[], or **Christians** as they were called, because
of their belief in Christ **who** should come.

¹⁶**And** therefore, at **this** time, Moroni prayed **that**
the cause of the **Christian**[], **and** the freedom of
the land **might** be favo[]red.

¹⁷**And** **[X]** it came **to** pass that when he had poured
out his so[]ul to God, he **named** all the land which
was south of the land **Desolation**[], yea, **and** in fine,
all the land, both on the **north and** on the **south**—
[X_X] A chosen land[], **and** the land of liberty.

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& he sayeth surely God shall not suffer that we who are despised because we take upon us the name of Christ shall be trodden down & destroyed
Moronss Covenant &
until^l we bring it upon us by our ownⁿ transgressions

& when Moroni had said these words he went forth among the People waving the rent of his garment in the air that all might see the writing which he had wrote upon the rent & crying with a loud voice saying

behold whosoever will maintain this title theon the land let them come forth in the strength of the Lord & enter into a covennat that they well maintain their rights & their religion that the Lord God may bless them

& it came to pass that when Moroni had proclaimed these words the People came running together with their armours girted about their loins rending their garments in token or as a covenant that they would not forget the Lord their God or in other words ~~th~~ if they should transgress the commandments of God or fall into transgression & be ashamed to take upon them the name of Christ the Cord should rend them even as they rent rents their garments

now this was the ~~covevenat~~ enat which they made & they cast there garments at the feet of Moroni saying ~~w^e~~ we covenant with our God that we shall be destroyed asen as our brethren northwrrd if we shall fall into transgression yea he may cast us at the feet of our enemies even as we have cast our garments at they feet be be trodden under our fo if we shold fall into transgression

Moroni sayeth unto them behold we are a remnant of the seed of Jacob yea we are a remnant of the seed of Joseph whose coat was rent by his Brethren into many pecies yea & now behold let us remember to keep the commandments of God or our garments shall be rent by our Brethren & we be cast into Prisons or be sold or be slain

¹⁸And he said: Surely God shall not suffer that we, who are despised because we take upon us the name of Christ, shall be trodden down and destroyed,
[_ _ _ _ _ X _ X]
until [] we bring it upon us by our own [] transgressions.

¹⁹And when Moroni had said these words, he went forth among the people, wav[]ing the rent part of his garment in the air, that all might see the writing which he had written upon the rent part, and crying with a loud voice, saying:

²⁰Behold, whosoever will maintain this title up[] on the land, let them come forth in the strength of the Lord, and enter into a covenant that they will maintain their rights, and their religion, that the Lord God may bless them.

²¹And it came to pass that when Moroni had proclaimed these words, behold, the people came running together with their armo[]r[] girted about their loins, rending their garments in token, or as a covenant, that they would not forsake the Lord their God; or, in other words, [_ _] if they should transgress the commandments of God, or fall into transgression, and be ashamed to take upon them the name of Christ, the Lord should rend them even as they had rent[] their garments.

²²Now this was the cov[_ _ _ _] [] enat which they made, and they cast their garments at the feet of Moroni, saying: [X] We covenant with our God, that we shall be destroyed, even as our brethren in the land northward, if we shall fall into transgression; yea, he may cast us at the feet of our enemies, even as we have cast our garments at th[]y feet to be trodden under [X] foot, if we shall fall into transgression.

²³Moroni said unto them: Behold, we are a remnant of the seed of Jacob; yea, we are a remnant of the seed of Joseph, whose coat was rent by his brethren into many pieces; yea, and now behold, let us remember to keep the commandments of God, or our garments shall be rent by our brethren, and we be cast into prison [], or be sold, or be slain.

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yea let us preserve our liberty as a remnant y of Joseph yea let h us remember the words of Jacob before his death for behold he saw that p part of the remnant of ²³⁴the coat of Joseph was preserved & hat not decaied & he sayeth even as this remnant of garment of my Sons hath been preserved so shall a remnant of the Seed of my Son be preserved by the hands go f God & be taken unto himself while the remainder of the seed of Joseph shall perish even ~~like~~ as the remnant of his garment

now behold this givehh my soul sorrow nevertheless my soul hath joy in my Son because thet part of his seed which shall be taken unto God

now behold this was the language of Jacob

& now who noweth but what the remnant of the seed of Joseph which shall peresh as his garment are those which have deserted from us yea & even it shale be us if de do not stand fast in the faith of Christ

& now it came to pass hhat when Moroni had said these words he went forth & also sent forth the n all the parts of the land where there were dissensions & gathered together all ofhe People which were desereous to maintain their liberty to stand out of the land & C.

against Amalickiah & those which had di^{sented} ~~from~~ which were called Ameleckiahites

& it came to pass that when Amalickiah saw that the People of Moroni were more numerous than the Amalickiahites & he also saw that his People were doubt-ful concerning the justice of the cause in which they had undertaken toerefore fearing that he should not gain the point took those of his People which would & departed into the land of Nephi

now Moroni thought it was not expedian^t that the Lamanites should have any more strength therefore he thought to cut off the people of Amaleckiah or to take them & breng them back & put Ameleckiah to death yae for he kn^{ew} ~~that~~ he wat they would stir up the Lamanites to anger against them & come wn to Battle against them & thes he knew that Ameleckiah would do that he might obtain his purposess

²⁴Yea, let us preserve our liberty as a remnant [] of Joseph; yea, let [] us remember the words of Jacob, before his death, for behold, he saw that a part of the remnant of the coat of **of Joseph** was preserved **and had not decayed**. **And he said**—Even as this remnant of garment of my son[] hath been preserved, so shall a remnant of the seed of my son be preserved by the hand[] of [] God, **and be taken unto hi[]** himself, while the remainder of the seed of Joseph shall perish, even [_ _ _] as the remnant of his garment.

²⁵Now behold, this giveth my soul sorrow; nevertheless, my soul hath joy in my son, because **of that part of his seed which shall be taken unto God**.

²⁶Now behold, this was the language of Jacob.

²⁷**And now who knoweth** but what the remnant of the seed of Joseph, which shall perish as his garment, are those **who** have **dissented** from us? **Yea, and even it shall be ourselves if we do not stand fast in the faith of Christ**.

²⁸**And** now it came to pass **that** when Moroni had said these words he went forth, **and** also sent forth **[X]** in all the parts of the land where there were dissensions, **and** gathered together [_] all [] the **people who were desir[]**ous to maintain their liberty, to stand **[X_X_X_X_X_ _]** against Amalickiah **and** those **who** had **dissented [X], who** were called Amalickiahites.

²⁹**And** it came to pass that when Amalickiah saw that the **people** of Moroni were more numerous than the Amalickiahites—**and** he also saw that his **people** were doubt[-]ful concerning the justice of the cause in which they had undertaken—**therefore**, fearing that he should not gain the point, **he** took those of his **people who would and** departed into the land of Nephi.

³⁰Now Moroni thought it was not expedient that the Lamanites should have any more strength; therefore he thought to cut off the people of Amalickiah, or to take them **and bring them back, and put Amalickiah** to death; **yea**, for he kn[]ew **[X_X]** **that he** would stir up the Lamanites to anger against them, **and cause them to come [_] to battle against them; and this he knew that Amalickiah would do that he might obtain his purpos[]es**.

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& it came to pass that he did according to his desires & marched forth ento the wilderness & headed the armies of Amalickiah

& it came to pass that Ameleckiah fled with a small number of his men & the remainder was delivered up into the hands of Moronis & were taken back tnto the land of Zaramemla

now Moroni being a man which was appointed by the Chief Judges & the voice of the People therefore he had power to do according to his will with the armies of the Nephites to establish & do exercise by authority over them

& it came to pass that whomsoever of the Ameleckiahites that would not enter into a covenant to support the cause of freedom that they might maintain a free government he caused to be put to death & there was but few **285** which denied the covenant of freedom

& it came to pass also that he caused the title of liberty to ~~he~~ be hoisted upon every tower which was in all the land which was possessed by the Nephitees & thus Moroni planted the standard of liberty among the Nephites

& they began to have peace again in the land & thus they did maintain peace in the lant until nearly the end of the nineteenth year of the Reign tf the Judges

~~& ord~~ & Helaman & they igh priests did also maintain order in the church yea even for the spacc of four years did they have much peace & rejoicing in the church

& it came to pass that there were many who died firmly believeing that their souls were redeemed by the Lord Jesus Christ thus they went out of the world rejoiceeng

³¹**Therefore** Moroni thought it was expedient that he should take his armies, **who** [] had [X] gathered themselves together, **and** armed themselves, **and** entered into a covenant to keep the p[]eace—**and** it came to pass that he took his army **and** marched out with his tents into the wilderness, to cut off the course of Amalickiah in the wilderness.

³²**And** it came to pass that he did according to his desires, **and** marched forth into the wilderness, **and** headed the armies of Amalickiah.

³³**And** it came to pass that Amalickiah fled with a small number of his men, **and** the remainder were delivered up into the hands of Moroni [] **and** were taken back into the land of Zarahemla.

³⁴**Now**, Moroni being a man **who** was appointed by the chief judges [] **and** the voice of the people, therefore he had power [X_X] according to his will with the armies of the Nephites, to establish **and** to exercise [X] authority over them.

³⁵**And** it came to pass that whomsoever of the Amalickiahites that would not enter into a covenant to support the cause of freedom, that they might maintain a free government, he caused to be put to death; **and** there were but few **who** denied the covenant of freedom.

³⁶**And** it came to pass also, that he caused the title of liberty to [X] be hoisted upon every tower which was in all the land, which was possessed by the Nephite []; **and** thus Moroni planted the standard of liberty among the Nephites.

³⁷**And** they began to have peace again in the land; **and** thus they did maintain peace in the land until nearly the end of the nineteenth year of the reign of the judges [].

³⁸[X_ _ _] **And** Helaman **and** the [] high priests did also maintain order in the church; yea, even for the space of four years did they have much peace **and** rejoicing in the church.

³⁹**And** it came to pass that there were many who died, firmly believ []ing that their souls were redeemed by the Lord Jesus Christ; thus they went out of the world rejoic []ing.

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Amelicksiah stirs up

qualities of the many plants & roots which God
had prepared to move the ^{cause} of deseases
which was subsequent to man by the nature
of the climate

but there were many who deed with old age &
those who died in the faith of Christ are happy in
him as we must kneeds suppose

⁴⁰And there were some who died with fevers, which
[]at[] some seasons of the year were ver[]y
frequent in the land—but not so much so with
fe[]vers, because of the excellent

[]-----X_X]

qualities of the many plants and roots which God
had prepared to remove the cause of deseases,
to which [X_X_X] men were subject by the nature
of the climate—

⁴¹But there were many who died with old age; and
those who died in the faith of Christ are happy in
him, as [] we must []needs suppose.