

BOOK of MORMON COMPARATIVE
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= The Book of Nephi which is the Son of
Nehi one of the Disciples of Jesus Christ—

An account of the People of Nephi according to his
Record—

And it came to pass that the thirty & fourth year
[year] passed away & also the thirty & fifth &
behold the Disciples of Jesus had formed a Church
of Christ in all the lands round about & as many
as did come unto them & did truly repent of their
sins were Baptised in the name of jesus & they
did also receive the Holy Ghost

and it came to pass in the thirty & sixth year the
People were all converted unto the Lord upon all the
face of the land both Nephites & Lamanites &
there was no contentions & disputations among
them & every man did deal justly one with
another

& they had [of] things common among them
therefore there were not rich & poor bond &
free but they were all made free & partakers of
the Heavenly gift

& it came to pass that the thirty & seventh year
passed away also & there still continued **to be**
peace in the land

& there were great & marvellous works
wrought by the Disciples of Jesus insomuch that
they did heal the sick & raise the dead & cause
the lame to walk & the blind to receive their sight
& the deaf to hear and all manner of miracles did
they work among the children of men & in
nothing did they work miracles save it were in the
name of Jesus

FOURTH NEPHI

[] **THE BOOK OF NEPHI** who Is the Son of
Nephi—One of the Disciples of Jesus Christ[]

An account of the **p**eople of Nephi, according to his
record[].

CHAPTER 1

*The Nephites and the Lamanites are all converted
unto the Lord—They have all things in common,
work miracles, and prosper in the land—After two
centuries, divisions, evils, false churches, and
persecutions arise—After three hundred years, both
the Nephites and the Lamanites are wicked—
Ammaron hides up the sacred records. About A.D.
35–321.*

¹And it came to pass that the thirty **and** fourth year
[X] passed away, **and** also the thirty **and** fifth, **and**
behold the **d**isciples of Jesus had formed a **c**hurch
of Christ in all the lands round about. **And** as many
as did come unto them, **and** did truly repent of their
sins, were **b**aptized in the name of **J**esus; **and** they
did also receive the Holy Ghost.

²And it came to pass in the thirty **and** sixth year, the
people were all converted unto the Lord, upon all the
face of the land, both Nephites **and** Lamanites, **and**
there **w**ere no contentions **and** disputations among
them, **and** every man did deal justly one with
another.

³And they had [X] **a**ll things common among them;
therefore there were not rich **and** poor, bond **and**
free, but they were all made free, **and** partakers of
the **h**eavenly gift.

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& thus did the thirty & eighth year pass away & also the thirty & ninth & the forty & first & the forty & second yea even until forty & nine years had passed away & also the fifty & first and the fifty & second yea & even until fifty & nine years had passed away

& the Lord did prosper them exceedingly in the land yea in so much that they did build cities again where there had been cities burned

yea even **that** great City Zarahemla did they **build** cause to be built again

but there were many Cities which had been sunk & waters came up in the stead thereof therefore these Cities could not be renewed

& now behold it came to pass that the People of Nephi did wax strong & did multiply exceeding fast & became an exceeding fair **411** And delightsome People

& they were married & given in marriage & were blessed according to the multitude of the promises which the Lord had made un^{to} them

& they did not walk any more after the performances & ordinances of the Law of Moses but they did walk after the commandments which they had received from their Lord & their God continuing in fasting & prayer & in meeting together oft both to pray & to hear the word of the Lord,

And it came to pass that there was no contention among all the People in all the land but there were mighty miracles wrought among the **[the]** Disciples of Jesus

& it came to pass that the seventy & first year passed away & also the seventy & second year yea & in fine until the seventy & ninth year to passed away yea even an hundred years had **passed** away. & the Disciples of Jesus whom he had chosen had all gone to the paradise of God save it were the three which should tarry & there were other Disciples ordained in their stead & also many of that generation which had passed away

& it came to pass that there was no contention in the land because of the love of God which did dwell in the hearts of the People

⁶**And** thus did the thirty **and** eighth year pass away, **and** also the thirty **and** ninth, **and** **[X]** forty **and** first, **and** the forty **and** second, yea, even until forty **and** nine years had passed away, **and** also the fifty **and** first, and the fifty **and** second; yea, **and** even until fifty **and** nine years had passed away.

⁷**And** the Lord did prosper them exceedingly in the land; yea, in **[]**so **[]**much that they did build cities again where there had been cities burned.

⁸**Yea**, even **that** great **city** Zarahemla did they **[X]** cause to be built again.

⁹**But** there were many **cities** which had been sunk, **and** waters came up in the stead thereof; therefore these **cities** could not be renewed.

¹⁰**And** now, behold, it came to pass that the **people** of Nephi did wax strong, **and** did multiply exceedingly fast, **and** became an exceedingly **ly** fair and delightsome **people**.

¹¹**And** they were married, **and** given in marriage, **and** were blessed according to the multitude of the promises which the Lord had made **unto** them.

¹²**And** they did not walk any more after the performances **and** ordinances of the **law** of Moses; but they did walk after the commandments which they had received from their Lord **and** their God, continuing in fasting **and** prayer, **and** in meeting together oft both to pray **and** to hear the word of the Lord.

¹³**And** it came to pass that there was no contention among all the **people**, in all the land; but there were mighty miracles wrought among the **[X]** disciples of Jesus.

¹⁴**And** it came to pass that the seventy **and** first year passed away, **and** also the seventy **and** second year, yea, **and** in fine, **[]**till the seventy **and** ninth year **had** passed away; yea, even an hundred years had **passed** away, **and** the **disciples** of Jesus, whom he had chosen, had all gone to the **paradise** of God, save it were the three **who** should tarry; **and** there were other **disciples** ordained in their stead; **and** also many of that generation **[X]** had passed away.

¹⁵**And** it came to pass that there was no contention in the land, because of the love of God which did dwell in the hearts of the **people**.

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& there were no envyings nor strifes nor tumults nor whoredoms nor lyeings nor murders nor no manner of lasciviousness & surely there could not be a happier People among all the People which had been created by the hand of God

there were no robbers nor no murderers neither were there Lamanites nor no ~~manner~~ manner of ites but they were in one the Children of Christ & heirs to the Kingdom of God

& how Blessed were they for the Lord did bless them in all their doings yea even they were blessed & prospered until an hundred & ten years had passed away & the first generation from Christ had passed away & there was no contention in all the land

& it came to pass that Nephi (he that kept **this** last record & he kept it upon the plates of Nephi) died & ^{his} son Amos kept it in his stead & he kept it upon the plates of Nephi also

& he kept it eighty & four years & there was still Peace in the land save it were a small part of the People which had revolted from the Church & took upon them the name of Lamanites therefore there began to be Lamanites again in the land

& it came to pass that Amos died also & it was an hundred & Ninety & four years from the coming of Christ, and his Son Amos kept ^{it}_{the} record in his stead & he also kept it upon the plates of Nephi & it was also written in the Book of Nephi which is this book

& it came to pass that Two Hundred years had passed away & the second Generation had all passed away save it were a few

& now I Mormon would that ye should know that the People had multiplied insomuch that they were spread upon all the face of the land & **that** they had become exceeding rich because of their prosperity in Christ

& now in this Two hundred & first year there began to be among them those which were lifted up in pride such as the wearing of costly apparel & all manner of fine pearls & of the fine things of the world,

& from that time forth they did have their goods & their substance no more common among them

¹⁶**And** there were no envyings, nor strifes, nor tumults, nor whoredoms, nor ly[]ings, nor murders, nor **any** manner of lasciviousness; **and** surely there could not be a happier **people** among all the **people who** had been created by the hand of God.

¹⁷There were no robbers, nor **[X]** murderers, neither were there Lamanites, nor **any [_ _ _ _]** manner of **-ites**; but they were in one, the **children** of Christ, **and** heirs to the **kingdom** of God.

¹⁸**And** how **blessed** were they! **For** the Lord did bless them in all their doings; yea, even they were blessed **and** prospered until an hundred **and** ten years had passed away; **and** the first generation from Christ had passed away, **and** there was no contention in all the land.

¹⁹**And** it came to pass that Nephi, []he that kept **this** last record, (**and** he kept it upon the plates of Nephi) died, **and**[]his son Amos kept it in his stead; **and** he kept it upon the plates of Nephi also.

²⁰**And** he kept it eighty **and** four years, **and** there was still **peace** in the land, save it were a small part of the **people who** had revolted from the **church and taken** upon them the name of Lamanites; therefore there began to be Lamanites again in the land.

²¹**And** it came to pass that Amos died also, (**and** it was an hundred **and ninety and** four years from the com[]ing of Christ) and his **son** Amos kept []**the record**[] in his stead; **and** he also kept it upon the plates of Nephi; **and** it was also written in the **book** of Nephi, which is this book.

²²**And** it came to pass that **two** hundred years had passed away; **and** the second **generation** had all passed away save it were a few.

²³**And** now I, Mormon, would that ye should know that the **people** had multiplied, insomuch that they were spread upon all the face of the land, **and that** they had become exceedingly **rich**, because of their prosperity in Christ.

²⁴**And** now, in this **two** hundred **and** first year there began to be among them those **who** were lifted up in pride, such as the wearing of costly apparel, **and** all manner of fine pearls, **and** of the fine things of the world.

²⁵**And** from that time forth they did have their goods **and** their substance no more common among them.

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& they began to be divided into classes & they began to build up Churches unto themselves to get gain and **412** began to deny the true church of church

& it came to pass that when two hundred & ten years Had passed away there were many Churches in the Land yea there were Churches which professed to know the Christ & yet they did deny the more parts of his Gospel insomuch that they did receive all manner of wickedness & did administer that which was sacred unto him to whom it had been forbidden because of unworthiness

& this Church did multiply exceedingly because of iniquity & because of the power of Satan which did get hold upon their hearts,

& again there was another Church which denied the Christ & they did persecute the true Church of Christ because of their humility & thier belief in Christ & they did despise them bcause of the many maracles which were wrought among them

therefore they did erercise power [over] & authority over the Disciples of Jesus which did tarry with them & they did cast them into prison but by the power of the word of God which was in them the prisons were rent in twain & they went forth doing mighty maracles among them

nevertheless & notwithstanding all these miracles the People did harden their hearts & did seek to kill them even as the Jews at Jerusalem saught to kill Jesus according to his word

& they did cast them into furnaces of fire & they came forth receiving no harm

& they also cast them into dens of wild beasts & they did play with the wild beasts even as a child with a la^bm & they did come forth from among them receiving no harm

nevertheless the People did harden their hearts for they were lead by many preists & false Prophets to build up many Churches & to do all manner of iniquity & they did smite upon the people of Jesus but the people of **Jesus** did not smite again & thus they did dwindle in unbelief & wickedness from year to year even until two hundred & thirty years had passed away—

26And they began to be divided into classes; **and** they began to build up churches unto themselves to get gain, and began to deny the true church of **Christ**.

27And it came to pass that when two hundred **and** ten years **had** passed away there were many **churches** in the **land**; yea, there were **many** churches which professed to know the Christ, **and** yet they did deny the more parts of his **gospel**, insomuch that they did receive all manner of wickedness, **and** did administer that which was sacred unto him to whom it had been forbidden because of unworthiness.

28And this church did multiply exceedingly because of iniquity, **and** because of the power of Satan **who** did get hold upon their hearts.

29And again, there was another church which denied the Christ; **and** they did persecute the true church of Christ, because of their humility **and** their belief in Christ; **and** they did despise them because of the many **miracles** which were wrought among them.

30Therefore they did **exercise** power [**X**] **and** authority over the **disciples** of Jesus **who** did tarry with them, **and** they did cast them into prison; but by the power of the word of God, which was in them, the prisons were rent in twain, **and** they went forth doing mighty **miracles** among them.

31Nevertheless, **and** notwithstanding all these miracles, the **people** did harden their hearts, **and** did seek to kill them, even as the Jews at Jerusalem **sought** to kill Jesus, according to his word.

32And they did cast them into furnaces of fire, **and** they came forth receiving no harm.

33And they also cast them into dens of wild beasts, **and** they did play with the wild beasts even as a child with a **lamb**; **and** they did come forth from among them, receiving no harm.

34Nevertheless, the **people** did harden their hearts, for they were le[]d by many **priests** **and** false **prophets** to build up many **churches**, **and** to do all manner of iniquity. **And** they did smite upon the people of Jesus; but the people of **Jesus** did not smite again. **And** thus they did dwindle in unbelief **and** wickedness, from year to year, even until[] two hundred **and** thirty years had passed away.[]

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& now it came to pass in this year yea in the twohundred & thirty & first year there were a great division among the People —

& it came to pass that in this year there arose a People which was called the Nephites & they were true believers in Christ & among them there were they which was called by the Lamanites Jacobites & Josephites & Zoramites

therefore the true believers in Christ & the true worshipers of Christ among whom were the three disciples of Jesus which should tarry, were called Nephites & Jacobites & Josephites & Zoramites

& it came to pass that they which rejected the Gospel were called Lamanites & Lemuelites & Ishmaelites & they did not dwindle in unbelief but they did willfully rebell against the Gospel of Christ & they did teach their children that they should not believe even as their Fathers from the beginning **did** dwindle

& it was because of the wickedness & abominations of their Fathers even as it was in the beginning & they were taught to hate the Children of God even as the Lamanites were taught to hate the Children of Nephites from the beginning

& it came to pass that two hundred & forty & four years had passed away & thus were the affairs of the People & the more wicked part **413** of the People did wax strong & became exceeding more numerous than were the People of God

& they did still continue to build up Churches **unto** themselves & adorn them with all manner of precous things & thus did two hundre ~~selves~~ & fifty years pass away & also two hundre[a]d & sixty years

& it came to pass that the wicked part of the People began again to build up the secret ouths & combinations of Gadianon

& also the people which were called the people of Nephi began to **be** proud in their hearts because of their exceeding riches & became vain like unto their brethren the Lamanites

& from this time the Disciples began to sorrow for the Sins of the world

³⁵**And** now it came to pass in this year, yea, in the two[]hundred **and** thirty **and** first year, there **was** a great division among the **people**[].

³⁶**And** it came to pass that in this year there arose a **people who were** called the Nephites, **and** they were true believers in Christ; **and** among them there were **those who were** called by the Lamanites—Jacobites, **and** Josephites, **and** Zoramites;

³⁷**T**herefore the true believers in Christ, **and** the true worshipers of Christ, (among whom were the three disciples of Jesus **who** should tarry) were called Nephites, **and** Jacobites, **and** Josephites, **and** Zoramites.

³⁸**And** it came to pass that they **who** rejected the **gospel** were called Lamanites, **and** Lemuelites, **and** Ishmaelites; **and** they did not dwindle in unbelief, but they did wil[]fully rebel[] against the **gospel** of Christ; **and** they did teach their children that they should not believe, even as their **fathers**, from the beginning, **did** dwindle.

³⁹**And** it was because of the wickedness **and** abomination[] of their **fathers**, even as it was in the beginning. **And** they were taught to hate the **children** of God, even as the Lamanites were taught to hate the **children** of Nephi[_ _] from the beginning.

⁴⁰**And** it came to pass **that** two hundred **and** forty **and** four years had passed away, **and** thus were the affairs of the **people**. **And** the more wicked part of the **people** did wax strong, **and** became exceedingly more numerous than were the **people** of God.

⁴¹**And** they did still continue to build up **churches unto** themselves, **and** adorn them with all manner of precious things. **And** thus did two hundred [_ _ _ _] **and** fifty years pass away, **and** also two hundre[]d **and** sixty years.

⁴²**And** it came to pass that the wicked part of the **people** began again to build up the secret **oaths and** combinations of Gadianon.

⁴³**And** also the people **who** were called the people of Nephi began to **be** proud in their hearts, because of their exceeding riches, **and** **become** vain like unto their brethren, the Lamanites.

⁴⁴**And** from this time the **disciples** began to sorrow for the **sins** of the world.

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& it came to pass that ^{when three} hundred years had passed away both the People of Nephi & the Lamanites had become exceeding wicked one like unto an other

& it came to pass that the Robbers of Gaddianton did spread over all the face of the Land & there were none that were righteous save it were the Disciples of Jesus, and Gold & silver did they lay up in store in abundance & did traffic^k in all manner of traffic[k]

& it came to pass that after three hundred & five years ~~did~~ had passed away & the people did still remain in wikedness [&] Amos died & his Brothe Ammoron did keep the Record in his stead

& it came to pass that when three hundred & twenty years had passed away Ammoron being constrained by the Holy Ghost did hide up the records which were sacred yea even all the sacred records sich had been handed down from Generation to Generation which were Sacred even until the three hundred & twentieth year from the comeing of Christ

& did hide them up unto the Lord that they might come again unto the remnant of the House of Isr^l ^{acob}ael according to the Prophesies & the promises of the Lord & thus is the end of the records of Ammo^{ron}

⁴⁵And it came to pass that **when three** hundred years had passed away, both the **people of Nephi** **and** the Lamanites had become exceedingly wicked one like unto an [] other.

⁴⁶And it came to pass that the **robbers** of Gad [] ianton did spread over all the face of the **land**; **and** there were none that were righteous save it were the **disciples of Jesus**. **And gold** **and** silver did they lay up in store in abundance, **and** did traffic [] in all manner of traffic [] .

⁴⁷And it came to pass that after three hundred **and** five years [X] had passed away, (**and** the people did still remain in wickedness) [X] Amos died; **and** his **brother**, Ammaron, did keep the **record** in his stead.

⁴⁸And it came to pass that when three hundred **and** twenty years had passed away, Ammaron, being constrained by the Holy Ghost, did hide up the records which were sacred—yea, even all the sacred records **which** had been handed down from **generation to generation**, which were **sacred**—even until the three hundred **and** twentieth year from the com [] ing of Christ.

⁴⁹And **he** did hide them up unto the Lord, that they might come again unto the remnant of the **house** of [] **Jacob** [] , according to the **prophecies** **and** the promises of the Lord. **And** thus is the end of **the record** [] of Ammaron.