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The prophecy of Samuel the Lamanite to the Nephites

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& it came to pass that in this year there was one Samuel a Lamanite came into the land of Zarahemla & began to preach unto the people & it came to pass that he did preach many day repentance unto the people & they did cast him out & he was about to return to his own land

but behold the ~~w~~^{voice}~~oi~~ of the Lord came unto him that he should return again & prophesy unto the people whatsoever things should **356** come into his heart

& it came to pass that they would not suffer that he should enter into the City therefore he went & got upon the wall thereof & stretched forth his hand & cried with a loud voice & prophesied unto the people whatsoever things the Lord put into his heart

& he said unto them Behold I Samuel a Lamanite do speak the words of the Lord which he doth put into mine heart & behold he hath put it into my heart to say unto this people that the sword of Justice hangeth over this people & four hundred years passeth not away save the sword of Justice falleth upon this people

yea heavy destruction awaiteth this people & it surely cometh unto this people & nothing can save this people save it be repentance & faith on the Lord Jesus Christ which surely shall come into the world & shall suffer many things & shall be slain for his people

The prophecy of Samuel, the Lamanite, to the Nephites.

Comprising chapters 13 through 15.

CHAPTER 13

Samuel the Lamanite prophesies the destruction of the Nephites unless they repent—They and their riches are cursed—They reject and stone the prophets, are encircled about by demons, and seek for happiness in doing iniquity. About 6 B.C.

¹And now it came to pass in the eighty **and** sixth year, the Nephites did still remain in wickedness, yea, in great wickedness, while the Lamanites did observe **strictly** to keep the commandments of God, according to the law of Moses.

²**And** it came to pass that in this year there was one Samuel, a Lamanite, came into the land of Zarahemla, **and** began to preach unto the people. **And** it came to pass that he did preach, many days, repentance unto the people, **and** they did cast him out, **and** he was about to return to his own land.

³**But** behold, the [~~]voice[~~]~~] of the Lord came unto him, that he should return again, **and** prophesy unto the people whatsoever things should come into his heart.~~

⁴**And** it came to pass that they would not suffer that he should enter into the **city**; therefore he went **and** got upon the wall thereof, **and** stretched forth his hand **and** cried with a loud voice, **and** prophesied unto the people whatsoever things the Lord put into his heart.

⁵**And** he said unto them: Behold, I, Samuel, a Lamanite, do speak the words of the Lord which he doth put into my[~~]~~] heart; **and** behold he hath put it into my heart to say unto this people that the sword of **justice** hangeth over this people; **and** four hundred years pass[~~_ _]~~] not away save the sword of **justice** falleth upon this people.

⁶**Yea**, heavy destruction awaiteth this people, **and** it surely cometh unto this people, **and** nothing can save this people save it be repentance **and** faith on the Lord Jesus Christ, **who** surely shall come into the world, **and** shall suffer many things **and** shall be slain for his people.

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& behold an Angel of the Lord hath declared it unto me & he did bring glad tidings to my soul & behold I was sent unto you to declare it unto you also that ye might have glad tidings but behold ye would not receive me

therefore thus saith the Lord because of the hardness of the hearts of the people of the Nephites except they repent I will take away my word from them & I will withdraw my spirit from them & I will suffer them no longer & I will turn the hearts of their brethren against them

& four hundred years shall not pass away before I will cause that they shall be smitten yea I will visit them with the sword & with famine & with pestilence

yea I will visit them in my fierce anger & there shall be those of the fourth generation^{which shall} live of your enemies to behold your utter destruction & this shall surely come except ye repent saith the Lord & those of the fourth generation shall visit your destruction

but if ye will repent & return unto the Lord your God I will turn away mine anger saith the Lord yea thus saith the Lord blessed are they who will repent & turn unto me but wo unto him that repenteth not

yea wo unto this great city of Zarahemla for behold it is because of they which are righteous that it is saved yea wo unto this great City for I perceive saith the Lord that there are many yea even the more part of this great city that will harden their hearts against me saith the Lord

but blessed are they who will repent for them will I spare but behold if it were not for the righteous which are in this great city behold I would cause that fire should come down out of Heaven & ^ddestroy ~~estroy~~ it

but behold it is ^{for} ~~for~~ the righteous sake that it is spared but behold the time cometh saith the Lord that when ye shall cast out the righteous from among you then shall ye be ripe for destruction yea wo be unto this great city because of the wickedness & abominations which is in her

yea & wo be unto ~~thes~~^{the} City of Gideon for the wickedness & abominations which is in her

⁷**And** behold, an **angel** of the Lord hath declared it unto me, **and** he did bring glad tidings to my soul. **And** behold, I was sent unto you to declare it unto you also, that ye might have glad tidings; but behold ye would not receive me.

⁸**Therefore**, thus saith the Lord: **Because** of the hardness of the hearts of the people of the Nephites, except they repent I will take away my word from them, **and** I will withdraw my **Spirit** from them, **and** I will suffer them no longer, **and** I will turn the hearts of their brethren against them.

⁹**And** four hundred years shall not pass away before I will cause that they shall be smitten; yea, I will visit them with the sword **and** with famine **and** with pestilence.

¹⁰**Yea**, I will visit them in my fierce anger, **and** there shall be those of the fourth generation **[]who shall live**, of your enemies, to behold your utter destruction; **and** this shall surely come except ye repent, saith the Lord; **and** those of the fourth generation shall visit your destruction.

¹¹**But** if ye will repent **and** return unto the Lord your God I will turn away mine anger, saith the Lord; yea, thus saith the Lord, blessed are they who will repent **and** turn unto me, but wo unto him that repenteth not.

¹²**Yea**, wo unto this great city of Zarahemla; for behold, it is because of **those who** are righteous that it is saved; yea, wo unto this great **city**, for I perceive, saith the Lord, that there are many, yea, even the more part of this great city, that will harden their hearts against me, saith the Lord.

¹³**But** blessed are they who will repent, for them will I spare. **But** behold, if it were not for the righteous **who** are in this great city, behold, I would cause that fire should come down out of **heaven and []destroy[_ _ _ _]** it.

¹⁴**But** behold, it is **for [X]** the righteous' sake that it is spared. **But** behold, the time cometh, saith the Lord, that when ye shall cast out the righteous from among you, then shall ye be ripe for destruction; yea, wo be unto this great city, because of the wickedness **and** abominations which **are** in her.

¹⁵**Yea, and** wo be unto **[_ _ _]the city** of Gideon, for the wickedness **and** abominations which **are** in her.

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yea & wo be unto all the cities which are in the land round about which is possessed by the Nephites because of the wickedness & the abominations which is in them

& behold a curse shall come upon the land saith the Lord of Hosts because of the peopless sake which is upon the land yea because of their wickedness & their abomination

& it shall come to pass saith the Lord of Hosts yea our great & true God that whoso shall hide up treasures in the earth shall find them again no more because **357** of the great curse of the land save **he** be a righteous man & shall **hide** it up unto the Lord

for I will saith the Lord that they shall hide up their treasures unto me & cursed be they who hideth not up their treasures unto me for none hideth up their treasures unto me save it be the righteous & he that hideth not up his treasure unto me cursed is he & also the treasure & none shall redeem it because of the curse of the land

& the day shall come ^{that} ~~when~~ they shall hide up their treasures because they have set their hearts upon riches & because they have set their hearts upon their riches & **I** will hide up their treasures when they shall flee before their enemies because they will not hide them up unto me cursed be they & also their treasures **&** in that day ^{shall} they be smitten saith the Lord

behold ye the people of this great city & hearken unto my words yea hearken unto the words which the Lord saith for behold he saith that ye are cursed because of your riches & also are your riches cursed because ye have set your hearts upon them & hath not hearkened unto the words of him who gave them unto you

ye do not remember the Lord your God in the things which he hath blessed you but ye do always remember your riches not to thank the Lord your God for them yea your heart is not drawn out unto the Lord but they do swell with great pride unto boasting & unto great swelling envyings strifes malice persecutions & murders & all manner of iniquities

for this cause hath the Lord God caused that a curse should come upon the land & also upon your riches & this because of your iniquities

¹⁶**Yea, and** wo be unto all the cities which are in the land round about, which **are** possessed by the Nephites, because of the wickedness **and [X]** abominations which **are** in them.

¹⁷**And** behold, a curse shall come upon the land, saith the Lord of Hosts, because of the people's **[_]** sake **who are** upon the land, yea, because of their wickedness **and** their abominations.

¹⁸**And** it shall come to pass, saith the Lord of Hosts, yea, our great **and** true God, that whoso shall hide up treasures in the earth shall find them again no more, because of the great curse of the land, save **he** be a righteous man **and** shall **hide** it up unto the Lord.

¹⁹**F**or I will, saith the Lord, that they shall hide up their treasures unto me; **and** cursed be they who hide **[_]** not up their treasures unto me; for none hideth up their treasures unto me save it be the righteous; **and** he that hideth not up his treasures unto me, cursed is he, **and** also the treasure, **and** none shall redeem it because of the curse of the land.

²⁰**And** the day shall come **that [X]** they shall hide up their treasures, because they have set their hearts upon riches; **and** because they have set their hearts upon their riches, **and [X]** will hide up their treasures when they shall flee before their enemies; because they will not hide them up unto me, cursed be they **and** also their treasures; **and** in that day **shall** they be smitten, saith the Lord.

²¹**Behold** ye, the people of this great city, **and** hearken unto my words; yea, hearken unto the words which the Lord saith; for behold, he saith that ye are cursed because of your riches, **and** also are your riches cursed because ye have set your hearts upon them, **and have** not hearkened unto the words of him who gave them unto you.

²²**Ye** do not remember the Lord your God in the things **with** which he hath blessed you, but ye do always remember your riches, not to thank the Lord your God for them; yea, your hearts **are** not drawn out unto the Lord, but they do swell with great pride, unto boasting, **and** unto great swelling, envyings, strifes, malice, persecutions, **and** murders, **and** all manner of iniquities.

²³**F**or this cause hath the Lord God caused that a curse should come upon the land, **and** also upon your riches, **and** this because of your iniquities.

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yea wo unto this people because of this time which has arrriven that ye do cast out the prophets & do mock them & cast stones at them & do slay them & do do all manner of iniquity unto them even as they did of old time

& now when ye talk ye say If our days had been in the days of our fathers of Old ye would not ~~no~~(have)† slain the prophets ye would not have stoned them & cast them out

behold ye are worse than they for as the Lord liveth if a prophet come among you & declareth unto you the word of the Lord which testifieth of your sins & iniquities ye are angry with him & cast him out & seek all manner of ways to destroy him yea you will say that he is a fals prophet & that he is a sinner & of the Devil because he testifieth that your deeds are evil

but behold aif a man shall come among you & shall say do this & there is no iniquity do that & ye shall not suffer yea he will say walk after the pride of your own hearts yea walk after the pride of your eyes & do whatsoever your heart desireth & if a man shall come among you & say this ye will receive him & ^{ye}he will say that he is a prophet

yea ye will lift him up & ye will give unto him of your substance ye will give unto him of your gold & of your silver & ye will cloath him with costly apparel & because he speaketh flattering words unto you & he sa^{saieth}yet that all is well & then ye will not find no fault with him

O ye wicked & ~~pe~~^{er}ve ye perverse generation ye hardened & ye stiffnecked people how long will ye suppose that the Lord will **358** suffer you yea how long will ye suffer yourselves to be lea^d by foolish & blind guides yea how long will ye chose darkness rather than light

ye behold the anger of the Lord is already kindled against you behold he hath cursed the land because of your iniquity

& behold the time cometh that he curseth your riches that it become slippery & ^{that} ye cannot hold them & in the days of your poverty ye cannot retain them

²⁴Yea, wo unto this people, because of this time which has arr[]ived, that ye do cast out the prophets, **and** do mock them, **and** cast stones at them, **and** do slay them, **and** do [X] all manner of iniquity unto them, even as they did of old time.

²⁵**And** now when ye talk, ye say: If our days had been in the days of our fathers of **old**, **we** would not []have[] slain the prophets; **we** would not have stoned them, **and** cast them out.

²⁶Behold ye are worse than they; for as the Lord liveth, if a prophet come among you **and** declareth unto you the word of the Lord, which testifieth of your sins **and** iniquities, ye are angry with him, **and** cast him out **and** seek all manner of ways to destroy him; yea, you will say that he is a false prophet, **and** that he is a sinner, **and** of the **devil**, because he testifieth that your deeds are evil.

²⁷But behold, []if a man shall come among you **and** shall say: **Do this, and** there is no iniquity; do that **and** ye shall not suffer; yea, he will say: **Walk after the pride of your own hearts; yea, walk after the pride of your eyes, and** do whatsoever your heart desireth—**and** if a man shall come among you **and** say this, ye will receive him, **and** [X][X_X] say that he is a prophet.

²⁸Yea, ye will lift him up, **and** ye will give unto him of your substance; ye will give unto him of your gold, **and** of your silver, **and** ye will clothe him with costly appar[]el; **and** because he speaketh flattering words unto you, **and** he []saith[] that all is well, [X] then ye will not find [X] fault with him.

²⁹O ye wicked []and[] ye perverse generation; ye hardened **and** ye stiffnecked people, how long will ye suppose that the Lord will suffer you? **Yea**, how long will ye suffer yourselves to be le[]d by foolish **and** blind guides? **Yea**, how long will ye chose darkness rather than light?

³⁰Yea, behold, the anger of the Lord is already kindled against you; behold, he hath cursed the land because of your iniquity.

³¹**And** behold, the time cometh that he curseth your riches, that **they** become slippery, [X] **that** ye cannot hold them; **and** in the days of your pover[]ty ye cannot retain them.

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& in the days of your poverty ye shall cry unto the Lord & in vain shall ye cry for your ~~destru~~^{desolation}~~cti~~on is already come upon you & your destruction is made sure[&] then shall ye weep & howl & in that day saith the Lord of Hosts & then shall ye lament & say

O that I had repented & had not killed the prophets & stoned them & cast them out yea in that day **shall ye** say O that we had remembered the Lord our God in the day that he gave us our riches & then they would not have become slippery that we should lose them for behold our riches are gone from us

behold we layeth a tool here & on the morrow it is gone & behold our swords are taken from us in the day we have sought them for battle

yea we have ~~h~~^{hid}ed up our treasures & they have sliped away from us because of the curse of the land

O that we had repented in the day that the word of the Lord came unto us for behold the land is cursed & all things are become slippery & we cannot hold them

behold we are surrounded by Demons yea we are encircle^d about by the angels of him who hath sought to destroy our Souls behold our iniquities are great O Lord canst thou not turn away thine anger from us & this shall be your language in them days

but behold your days of probation is passed ye have procrastinated the day of your Salvation untill it is everlastingly to late & your destruction is made sure yea for ye have sought all the days of your lives for that which ye could not obtain & ye have sought for happiness in doing iniquity which thing is conterary to the nature of that righteousness which is en our great & eternal head

O ye people of the land that ye would hear my words & I pray that the anger of the Lord be turned away from you & that ye would repent & be saved

³²And in the days of your poverty ye shall cry unto the Lord; and in vain shall ye cry, for your [_ _ _ _]desolation[_ _ _ _] is already come upon you, and your destruction is made sure; [_]and then shall ye weep and howl [X] in that day, saith the Lord of Hosts. And then shall ye lament, and say:

³³O that I had repented, and had not killed the prophets, and stoned them, and cast them out. Yea, in that day ye shall say: O that we had remembered the Lord our God in the day that he gave us our riches, and then they would not have become slippery that we should lose them; for behold, our riches are gone from us.

³⁴Behold, we lay[_ _] a tool here and on the morrow it is gone; and behold, our swords are taken from us in the day we have sought them for battle.

³⁵Yea, we have [_]hid[_] up our treasures and they have slipp~~e~~d away from us, because of the curse of the land.

³⁶O that we had repented in the day that the word of the Lord came unto us; for behold the land is cursed, and all things are become slippery, and we cannot hold them.

³⁷Behold, we are surrounded by demons, yea, we are encircle~~d~~d about by the angels of him who hath sought to destroy our souls. Behold, our iniquities are great. O Lord, canst thou not turn away thine anger from us? And this shall be your language in those days.

³⁸But behold, your days of probation are past[_ _]; ye have procrastinated the day of your salvation untill[_] it is everlastingly too late, and your destruction is made sure; yea, for ye have sought all the days of your lives for that which ye could not obtain; and ye have sought for happiness in doing iniquity, which thing is cont[_]rary to the nature of that righteousness which is in our great and Eternal Head.

³⁹O ye people of the land, that ye would hear my words! And I pray that the anger of the Lord be turned away from you, and that ye would repent and be saved.