

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Nephi 8

<sup>1</sup>hearken unto me ye that follow after righteousness

look unto the rock from whence ye are hewn  
& to the hole of the pit from whence ye are diged

<sup>2</sup>look unto Abraham your father  
& unto Sarah she that bear you  
for I called him alone & blessed him

<sup>3</sup>for the Lord shall comfort Zion  
he will comfort all her waste places  
& he will make her wilderness like ~~Eden~~<sup>en</sup> Eden  
& her desert like the garden of the Lord  
Joy & gladness shall be found therein  
thanks giveing & the voice of melody

<sup>4</sup>hearken unto me my <sup>People</sup>  
~~be~~<sup>lo</sup>&~~ved~~ give ear unto me O my Nation  
for a law shall procede from me  
& I will make my Judgment to rest for a light thing<sup>of</sup> the People  
<sup>5</sup>my righteousness is near  
my salvation is gone forth  
& mine arm shall Judge the People  
the isles shall wait upon me  
& on mine arm shall they trust

<sup>6</sup>lift up your eyes to the heavens  
& look upon the earth beneath  
for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke  
& the earth shall wax old like a garment  
& they that dwell therein shall die in like manner  
but my salvation shall be forever  
& my righteousness shall not be abolished

<sup>7</sup>hearken unto me ye that know **righteousness**  
the People in whose heart I have written my law  
fear ye not the **reproach of men**  
neither be ye afraid of their revileings  
<sup>8</sup>for the moth shall **eat them up** like a garment  
& the worm shall eat them like wool  
but my righteousness shall **be forever**  
**& my** salvation from generation to generation

<sup>9</sup>Awake awake **put on strength O arm of the Lord**  
awake **as in** the ancient days  
art thou not **it that hath cut Rahab & wounded the dragon**

<sup>10</sup>art thou not it which hath dried up the Sea  
the waters of the great deep  
that hath made the depths of the Sea away  
for the ransomed to pass over

<sup>11</sup>therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return  
& come with singing unto Zion  
& everlasting joy & holiness shall be upon their heads  
& they shall obtain gladness & joy  
sorrow & mourning shall flee away

<sup>12</sup>I am he yea I am he that comforteth you  
behold who art thou that thou shouldst be afraid of man which shall die  
& of the Son of man which shall be made like unto grass

<sup>13</sup>& forgettest the Lord thy maker  
that hath stretched forth the heavens & laid the foundations of the earth  
& hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor  
as if he were ready to destroy  
& where is the fury of the oppressor

<sup>14</sup>as if the captive exile hasteneth that he may be <sup>loos</sup>delivered  
& that he should not die in the pit nor that his bread should fail

<sup>15</sup>but I am the Lord thy God whose waves roared  
the Lord of hosts is my name

<sup>16</sup>& I have put my words in thy mouth  
& have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand  
that I may plant the heavens & lay the foundations of the earth  
& say unto Zion  
behold thou art my People

<sup>17</sup>awake awake stand up O Jerusalem  
which hast drunk at the hand of the Lord the cup of his fury  
thou hast drunk<sup>en</sup> the dregs of the cup of trembling rung out  
<sup>18</sup>& none to guide her among all the Sons she hath brought forth  
neither that taketh her by the hand of all the Sons she hath brought up

<sup>19</sup>these two Sons are come unto thee  
who shall be sorry for thee  
thy desolation & destruction & the famine & the sword  
& by whom shall I comfort thee

<sup>20</sup>thy Sons have fainted save these two  
they lie at the head of all the streets as a wild Bull in a net  
they are full of the fury of the Lord the rebuke of thy God

<sup>21</sup>therefore hear now this  
thou afflicted & drunken & not with wine

<sup>22</sup> thus saith thy Lord the Lord  
& thy God pleadeth the cause of ~~thy~~<sup>his</sup> People  
behold I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling  
the dregs of the cup of my fury  
thou shalt no more drink it again

<sup>23</sup> but I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee  
which I said to thy Soul  
bow down that we may go over  
& thou hast laid thy body as the ground & as the street  
to them that went over

<sup>24</sup> awake awake put on thy strength O Zion  
put on thy beautiful garments O Jerusalem the holy City  
for henceforth there shall no more come into thee  
the ~~unclean~~ uncircumcised & the unclean

<sup>25</sup> shake thyself from the dust arise  
sit down O Jerusalem  
loose thyself from the bands of thy neck  
O captive daughter of Zion ——