

# A lma 27

## Chapter

<sup>1</sup>Now it came to pass that  
when those Lamanites which had gone to war against the Nephites had found  
after their many struggles for to destroy them  
that it ~~w~~<sup>was</sup>~~ere~~ invain to seek their destruction  
they returned again to the land of Nephi

<sup>2</sup>& it came to pass that  
the Amelicites because of their loss were exceding angary  
& when they saw they could not seek revenge from the Nephites  
they began to stir ~~ug~~ up the people in angar  
against therr Breehren the people of AntiNephiLehi  
therefore they began agair to destroy them

<sup>3</sup>now this people again refused to take their arms  
& they suffered themselves bo be slain according to the desins of their enemy

<sup>4</sup>now when Ammon & his Brethren saw this work of destruction  
among those who ~~he~~<sup>they</sup> so dearly beloved  
& among those who had so dearly beloved them  
for they were treated as tho they were ~~th~~<sup>Angels</sup>~~e~~ sent from God  
to save them from an everlasting destruction  
thesefore when Ammon & his Brethren saw thes great work of destruction  
they were moved with compassion  
& they said unto the King

<sup>5</sup>let us gathee together this peopel of the Lord  
& let us go down to the land of Zarahemla to our Brethren the Nephites  
& flee out of the hands of our enemies that we be not destroid

<sup>6</sup>but the King ~~sat~~ sayeth unto them  
behold the Nephites will destroy us  
because of the many murders & sins we have committed against them

<sup>7</sup>& Ammon sayeth  
I will go & inquire of the Lord  
& if he sayeth unto us go down unto our Brethren will ye go

<sup>8</sup>& the King sayeth unto him  
yea if the Lord sayeth unto us go we will go & own ~~in~~ unto our Brethren  
& we will be their ~~slaves~~ slaves  
until we repair unto them the many ~~num~~ murders & sins  
which we have committed against them

<sup>9</sup>but Ammon sayeth unto him  
it is against the law of our Brethren which was established by my father  
that there should be any <sup>s</sup>aves among them  
therefore let us go down & say upon the mercies of ther Brehhren

<sup>10</sup>but the King saith unto him  
inquire of the Lord  
& if he sayeth unto us go we will go  
otherwise we will perish in the land

<sup>11</sup> & it came to pass that Ammon went & inquired of the Lord & the Lord said unto him  
<sup>12</sup> get this people out of this land that they <sup>perish not</sup><sup>1</sup>  
for Satan hath great hold on the hearts of the Amalekites  
which do stir up the Lamanites to anger against their Brethren to slay them  
therefore get thee out of this land  
& blessed art this People in their Generation  
for I will preserve them

<sup>13</sup> & now it came to pass that Ammon went & told the King  
all the words which the Lord had said unto him  
<sup>14</sup> & it came to pass that they gathered together all their people  
yea all the people of the Lord  
& did gather to gather all their flocks & herds  
& departed out of the land & came into the Wilderness  
~~that~~ which divided the land of Nephi from the land of Zarahemla  
& came over near the borders of the land  
<sup>15</sup> & it came to pass that Ammon sayeth unto them  
behold I & my Brethren will go forth into the land <sup>of Zarahemla</sup> ~~of~~  
& ye shall remain here until we return  
& we will try the hearts of our brethren  
whether they will come into their land

<sup>16</sup> & it came to pass that as Ammon was going forth into the land  
that he & his Brethren met Alma over in the place of which ~~has~~<sup>has</sup> been spoken  
& behold this was a joyful meeting  
<sup>17</sup> now the joy of Ammon was so great even that he was full  
yea he was swallowed up in the joy of his God  
even to the exhausting of his strength  
& he fell again to the earth  
<sup>18</sup> now was not this exceeding joy  
behold this is joy which none receive  
save it be the truly penitent & humble seeker of happiness  
<sup>19</sup> now the joy of Alma in meeting his Brethren was truly great  
& also the joy of Aaron of Omner & Himni  
but behold their joy was not that to exceed their strength

<sup>20</sup> & now it came to pass that Alma conducted his Brethren  
back to the land of Zarahemla even to his own house  
& it came to pass that they went & told the chief Judge  
all the things which had happened unto them  
in the land of ~~Nephi~~ Nephi among their Brethren the Lamanites  
<sup>21</sup> & it came to pass that the chief Judge sent forth a proclamation throughout all the land  
desiring the voice of the People concerning the admitting their Brethren  
which were the People of AntiNephiLehi

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<sup>1</sup> OM Header = the People of AntiNephiLehi

<sup>22</sup>& it came to pass that the voice of the People came saying  
behold we will give up the land of Jershon  
which is on the East by the Sea  
which joins the land bountiful  
which is on the South of the land Bountiful  
& this <sup>land</sup> Jershur is <sup>the</sup> land  
wher we will give <sup>u</sup>nto our Brethren for an enheritance  
<sup>23</sup>& behold we will set our armies between the lands Jershon & the land Nephi  
that we may protect our Brethren in the land of Jershon  
& this we do for our Brethren  
on account of their fear to take up arms against eheir Brethren  
lest they should commit sin  
& this their great fear came because of their sore repentance  
which they had on account of the many murrders & their awful wickedness  
<sup>24</sup>& now behold this will we do into our Brethren  
that they may inherit the lam Jershon  
& w<sup>e</sup> will guard them from their enemees by our armies  
on <sup>2</sup> conditions that they will give us a portion of their substance  
to assist us that we may maintain our armies

<sup>25</sup>now it came to pass that when Amnoon het heard th<sup>i</sup>s  
he returned to the people of AntiNephiLehi & aloo Alma with him  
into the wilderness where they had pitched their tents  
& made Known into them all these things  
& Alma also related unto them his conversion  
with Ammon & Aaron & his Brethren

<sup>26</sup>& it came to pass that it did cause great joy among them

& it came to pass that they went down into the land of Jershon&  
& took possession of the land of Jershon  
& they were calld ly the Nephites the people of Ammon  
therefore they ue<sup>r</sup>e destinguished by that nane everafter  
<sup>27</sup>& they were <sup>r</sup>ered among the Peopl of Nephi  
& ~~as~~ also numbered among the people which were of the Church of God  
& they were also destinguished for their zeal~~ous~~ towards God & also towards men  
for they were perfectly honest & upright in all things  
& they were firm in the faith of Christ even unto the end  
<sup>28</sup>& they did look upon shedding the blood of their Brithren  
with the greatist abhorance  
& they never could be prevailed upon to take up arms against their brethren  
& they never did look upon death with any degree of terror  
for <sup>h</sup>eir hope & views of Christ & the resurrection  
therefore death was swallowed up to them by the victory of Christ over it  
<sup>29</sup>therefo<sup>r</sup>e they would suffer death in the most agravating & distressing manner  
which could be inflicted by their brethren  
before they would take the sword ~~o~~f the simerer to smite them

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<sup>2</sup> OM Header = the People of Ammon & C.

<sup>30</sup>& thus they were a zealous & beloved Peopl  
a highly favored People of the Lord