

2nd Nephi 3

Chapter

¹And now I speak unto you Joseph my last born
thou wast born in the wilderness of mine afflictions
yea in the days of my greatest sorrow did thy Mother bear thee
²& may the Lord consecrate also unto thee this land
which is a most precious land
for thine inheritance & the inheritance of thy seed with thy Brethren
for thy security forever
if it so be that ye shall keep the Commandments of the holy one of Israel

³& now Joseph my last born
whom I have brought out of the wilderness of mine afflictions
may the Lord bless thee forever
for thy seed shall not utterly be destroyed
⁴for behold thou art the fruit of my loins
& I am a descendant of Joseph which was carried captive into Egypt

& great was the covenants of the Lord which he made unto Joseph
⁵wherefore Joseph truly saw our day
& he obtained a promise of the Lord
that out of the fruit of his loins
the Lord God would raise up a righteous branch unto the house of Israel
not the Messiah but a branch which was to be broken off
nevertheless to be remembered in the covenants of the Lord
that the Messiah should be made manifest unto them in the latter days
in the spirit of power unto the bringing of them out of darkness unto light
yea out of hidden darkness & out of captivity unto freedom

⁶for Joseph truly testified saying
a seer shall the Lord my God raise up
which shall be a choice Seer unto the fruit of my loins
⁷yea Joseph truly said
thus saith the Lord unto me
a choice Seer will I raise up out of the fruit of thy loins
& he shall be esteemed highly among the fruit of thy loins
& unto him will I give commandment
that he shall do a work for the fruit of thy loins his Brethren
which shall be of great worth unto them
even to the bringing of them to the knowledge of the covenants
which I have made with thy fathers
⁸& I will give unto him a commandment
that he shall do none other work
save the work which I shall command him
& I will make him great in mine eyes
for he shall do my work

⁹& he shall be great like unto Moses
whom I have said I would raise up unto you
to deliver my People O house of Israel
¹⁰& Moses will I raise up to deliver thy People out of the land of Egypt
¹¹but a Seer will I raise up out of the fruit of thy loins
& unto him will I give power to bring forth my word unto the seed of thy loins
& not to the bringing forth my word only saith the Lord
but to the convinceing them of my word
which shall have already gon^e forth among them

¹²wherefore the fruit of my loins shall write
& the fruit of the loins^s of Judah shall write
& that which shall be written by the fruit of thy loins
& also that which shall be written by the fruit of the loins of Judah
shall grow together unto the confounding of fals doctrines
& laying down of contentions
& establishing peace among the fruit of thy loins
& bringing them to the knowledge of their fathers in the latter days
& also to the knowledge of my covenants saith the Lord

¹³& out of weakness he shall be made strong in that day
when my work shall commence among all my People
unto the restoreing thee O house of Israel saith the Lord
¹⁴& thus prophesied Josep saying
behold that Seer will the Lord bless
& they that seek to destroy him shall be confounded
for this promise of which I have obtained of the Lord
of the fruit of thy loins shall be fulfilled
behold I am sure of the fulfilling of this promise
¹⁵& his name shall be called after me
& it shall be after the name of his father
& he shall be like unto me
for the thing which the Lord shall bring forth by his hand
by the power of the Lord
shall bring my People unto Salvation

¹⁶yea thus Prophesied Josep
I am sure of this thing
even as I am sure of the promise of Moses
for the Lord hath said unto me
I will preserve thy seed forever
¹⁷& the Lord hath said
I will raise up a Moses
& I will give power unto him in a rod
& I wil^{give} Judgment unto him in writing
yet I will not loose his tongue that he shall speak much
for I will not make him mighty iⁿ speaking
but I will write unto him my law by the finger of mine own hand
& I will make one a spoaksman for him

¹⁸& the Lord said unto me also
I will raise up unto the fruit of thy loins
& I will make ~~o~~^{for} ~~ne~~ him a spokesman
& I behold I will give unto him
that he shall write the writing of the fruit of thy loins
unto the fruit of thy loins
& the spoaksman of thy loins shall declare it

¹⁹& the words which he shall write shall be the words
which is expediant in my wisdom should go forth unto the fruit of thy loins
& it shall be as if the fruit of thy loins had cried unto them from the dust
for I know their faith

²⁰& they shall cry from the dust
yea even repentance unto their Brethren
even that after many generations have gone by them
& it shall come to pass that their cry shall go
even according to the simpleness of their words
²¹because of their faith their words shall procede forth out of my mouth
unto their Brethren which are the fruit of thy loins
& the weakness of their words will I make strong in their faith
unto the remembering of my covenant which I made unto thy fathers

²²& now behold my Son Joseph
after this manner did my father of old Prophecy
²³wherefore because of this covenant thou art blessed
for thy seed shall not be destro^{id}
for they shall hearken unto the words of the Book
²⁴& there shall raise up one mighty among them
which shall do much good both in word & in deed
being an instrument in the hands of God
with exceding faith to work mighty wonders
& do that thing which is great in the sight of God
unto the bringing to pass much restoration
unto the house of Israel & unto the seed of thy Brethren

²⁵& now blessed art thou Joseph
behold thou art little
wherefore hearken unto the words of thy Brother Nephi
& it shall be done unto thee
even according to the words which I have spoken
remember the words of thy dieing father
Amen—