

2nd Nephi 25 Chapter

¹Now I Nephi do speak somewhat concerning the words which I have written which have been spoken by the mouth of Isaiah for behold Isaiah spake many things which were hard for many of my People to understand for they know not concerning the manner of Prophesying among the Jews

²for I Nephi have not taught them many things concerning the manner of the Jews for their works were works of darkness & their doings were doings of abomination

³wherefore I write unto my People unto all they that shall receive hereafter these things which I write that they may know the Judgments of God that they come upon all nations according to the word which he hath spoken

⁴wherefore hearken O my People which are of the house of Israel & give ear to my words for because that the words of Isaiah are not plane unto you nevertheless they are plane unto all they that are filled with the spirit of Prophecy but I give unto you a prophecy according to the spirit which is in me wherefore I shall prophesy according to the plainness which hath been with me from the time that I came out from Jerusalem with my father for behold my Soul delighteth in plainness unto my people that they may learn

⁵yea & my soul delighteth in the words of Isaiah for I came out from Jerusalem & mine eyes hath beheld the things of the Jews & I know that the Jews do understand the things of the Prophets & there is none other People that understand the things of ~~the P^{ro}phets~~ ^{which he P^{ro}phets} spoken unto the Jews like unto them

save it be that they are taught after the manner of the things of the Jews

⁶but behold I Nephi have not taught my Children after the manner of the Jews but behold I of myself have dwelt at Jerusalem wherefore I know concerning the regions round about & I have made mention unto my children concerning the Judgments of God which hath come to pass among the Jews unto my children according to all that which Isaiah hath spoken & I do not write them

⁷but behold I procede with mine own prophecy according to my plainness in the which I know that no man can err nevertheless in the days that the propheties of Isaiah shall be fulfilled men shall know of a surety at the times when they shall come to pass

⁸wherefore they are of worth unto the Children of men
& he that supposeth that they are not
unto them will I speak particularly
& confine the words unto mine own People
for I know that they shall be of great worth unto them in the last days
for in that day shall they understand them
wherefore for their good have I written them
⁹& as one generation hath been destroyed among the Jews because of iniquity
even so have they been destroyed
from generation to generation according to their iniquities
& never hath any of them been destroyed
save it were fore-told them by the Prophets of the Lord
¹⁰wherefore it hath been told them concerning the destruction
which should come upon them immediately after my father left Jerusalem
nevertheless they hardened their hearts
& according to my prophesy they have been destroyed
save it be those which are carried away Captive into Babylon

¹¹& now this I speak because of the spirit which is in me
& notwithstanding that they have been carried away
they shall return again & possess the land of Jerusalem
wherefore they shall be restored again to the lands of their inheritance

¹²but behold they shall have wars & rumors of wars
& when the day cometh that the only begotten of the father
yea even the Father of heaven & of earth
shall manifest himself unto them in the flesh
behold they will reject him because of ~~Priestcrafts~~ ^{their iniquities}
& the hardness of their hearts & the stiffness of their necks

¹³behold they will crucify him
& after that he is laid in a Sepulcher for the space of three days
he shall rise from the dead with healing in his wings
& all they that shall believe on his name shall be saved in the Kingdom of God
wherefore my soul delighteth to prophesy concerning him
for I have seen his day & my heart doth magnify his holy name

¹⁴& behold it shall come to pass that
after the Messiah hath risen from the dead
& hath manifested himself unto his People
unto as many as will believe on his name
behold Jerusalem shall be destroyed again
for wo unto them that fight against God & the people of his church

¹⁵wherefore the Jews shall be scattered among all Nations
yea & also Babylon shall be destroyed
wherefore the Jews shall be scattered by other Nations

¹⁶& after that they have been scattered
& the Lord God hath scorged them
by other Nations for the space of many Generations
yea even down from Generation to generation
untill they shall be persuaded to believe in christ the Son of God
& the atonement which is infinite for all mankind
& when that day shall come that they shall believe in Christ
& worship the father in his name with pure hearts & clean hands
& look not forward any more for another Messiah
& then at that time will the day come
that it must needs be expediant that they should believe these things
¹⁷the Lord th^{will}e-[◇] set his ^{hand} again the second time
to restore his people from heir lo^st & fallen state
wherefore he will procede to do a marvelous work & a wonder
among the children of men

¹⁸wherefore he shall bring forth his words unto them
which words shall Judge them at the last day
for they shall be given them for the purpose of convinceing them
of the true Messiah who was rejected by them
& unto the convinceing of them
that they need not look forward any more for a Messiah to come
for there should not any come save it should be a fals Messiah
which should deceive the People
for there is save one Messiah spoken of by the People ^{Prophets} Prophets
& that Messiah is he which should be rejected of the Jews
¹⁹for according to the words of the Prophets
the Messiah cometh in six hundred years
from the time that my father left Jerusalem
& according to the words of the Prophets
& also the word of the Angel of God
his name should be Jesus christ the Son of God

²⁰& now my Brethren I have spoken plane that ye cannot err
& as the Lord God lieveth that brought Israel up out of the land of Egypt
& gave unto Moses power that he should heal the Nations
~~that~~ after ^{that} they had been bitten by the poisonous Serpants
if they would cast their eyes unto the Serpant which he did raise up before them
& also give him power that he should smite the rock
& the water should come forth
yea behold I say unto you that as these things are true
& as the Lord God liveth
there is none other name given under heaven
save it be this Jesus Christ of which I have spoken
whereby man can be saved

²¹wherefore for this cause hath the Lord God promised unto me
that these things which I write shall be kept & preserved
& handed down unto my seed from Generation to Generation
that the promise may be fulfilled unto Joseph
that his seed should never perish as long as the earth should stand
²²wherefore these things shall go from generation to generation
as long as the earth shall stand
& they shall go according to the will & pleasure of God
& the nations which shall possess them shall be judged of them
according to the words which are written

²³for we labour diligently to write
to ~~pers~~^{persuade} our children & also our Brethren
to believe in Christ & to be reconciled to God
for we know that it is by grace that we are saved
after all that we can do

²⁴& notwithstanding we believe in Christ
we keep the law of Moses
& look forward with stedfastness unto Christ
untill the Law shall be fulfilled

²⁵for for this end was the law given
wherefore the law hath become dead unto us
& we are made alive in Christ because of our faith
yet we keep the law because of the Commandments

²⁶& we talk of Christ
we rejoice in Christ
we preach of Christ
we prophesy of Christ
& we write accordeng to our prrphesies
that our Children may know to what sorce ~~to~~ they may look
for a remission of their sins

²⁷wherefore we speak concerning the Law
that our children may know the deadness of the Law
& they by knowing the deadness of the Law
may look forward urto that life which is in Chrest
& know for what end the Law was given
& after that the law is fulfilled in Christ
that they need not harden their hearts against him
when the Law had ought to be done away

²⁸& now behold my People ye are a stiffnecked People
wherefore I have spoken plane unto you
that ye cannot misunderstand
& the words which I have spoken shall as a testimony against you
for they are sufficient to teach any man the right way
for the right way is to believe in Christ & deny him not
for by denying him ye also deny the Prophets & the law

²⁹& now behold I say unto you
that the right way is to believe in Christ & deny him not
& Christ is the holy one of Israel
wherefore ye must bow down before him
& woship him with all your might mind & strength & your whole soul
& if ye do this ye shall in no wise be cast out
³⁰& in asmuch as it shall be expediant
ye must keep the performances & ordinances of God
untill the law shall be fulfilled which was given unto Moses