

Mosiah 12

¹& it came to pass that after the space of two years
that Abinadi came among them in disguise
that they knew him not
& began again to prophesy among them saying
thus hath the Lord commanded me saying
Abinadi go & prophesy unto this my People
for they have hardened their hearts against my words
they have repented not of their evil doings
therefore I will visit them in my anger
yea in my fierce anger will I visit them in their iniquities & abominations
²yea wo be unto this generation
& the Lord said unto me
stretch forth thy hand & prophesying saying
thus saith the Lord
it shall come to pass that this generation because of their iniquities
shall be brought into bondage & shall be smitten on the cheek
yea & shall be driven by men & shall be slain
& the vultures of the air & the dogs
yea & the wild beasts
shall devour their flesh
³& it shall come to pass that
the life of King Noah shall be valued even as a garment in a hot furnace
for he shall know that I am the Lord

⁴& it shall come to pass that
I will smite this my People with sore afflictions
yea with famine & with pestilence
& I will cause that they shall howl all the day long
⁵yea & I will cause that they shall have burdens lashed upon their backs
& they shall be driven before like a dumb ass
⁶& it shall come to pass that I will send forth hail among them
& it shall smite them
& they shall also be smitten with the east wind
& insects shall pester their land also & devour their grain
⁷& they shall be smitten with a great pestilence
& all this will I do because of their iniquities & abominations

⁸& it shall come to pass that except they repent
I will utterly destroy them from off the face of the earth
yet they shall leave a record behind them
& I will preserve them for other Nations which shall possess the land
yea even this will I do
that I may discover the abominations of this People to other Nations
& many things did Abinadi prophesy against this People

⁹& it came to pass that they were angry with him
& they took him & carried him bound before the King
& saith unto the king
behold we have brought a man before thee
which has prophesied evil concerning thy People
& saith that God will destroy them
¹⁰& he also prophesieth evil concerning thy life
& & saith that thy life shall be as a garment in a furnace of fire
¹¹& again he saith that thou shalt be as a stalk
even as a dry stalk of the field
which is ran over by the beasts & troden under foot
¹²& again he saith thou shalt be as the blossoms of a thistle
which when it is fully ripe if the wind bloweth
it is driven forth upon the face of the land
& he pretendeth the Lord hath ^{spoken} ~~ent~~ ~~him~~ it
& he saith all this shall come upon thee except thou repent
& this because of thine iniquities

¹³& now O king what great evil hast thou done
or what great sins has thy People committed
that we should be condemned of God or judged of this man

¹⁴& now O king behold we are guiltless
& thou O king hast not sined
therefore this ma^o hast lied concerning you
& he hath prophesied invain

¹⁵& behold we are strong
we shall not come into bondage or be taken captive by our enemies
yea & thou hast prospered in the land & thou shalt also prosper

¹⁶behold here is the man
we deliver him into thy hands
thou mayest do with him as seemeth thee good

¹⁷& it came to pass that King Noah caused
that Abinadi should be cast into prison
& he commanded that the priests should gather themselves together
that he might hold a council with them what he should do with him

¹⁸& it came to pass that they sayeth unto the King
bring him hither that we may question him
& the king commanded that he should be brought before them

¹⁹& they began to question him that they might cross him
that thereby they might have wherewith to accuse him
but he answered them boldly & withstood all their questions
yea to their astonishment
for he did withstand them in all their questions
& did confound them in all their words

²⁰& it came to pass that one of them sayeth unto him
what meaneth the words which are written
& which have been taught by our fathers saying
²¹how beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him
that bringeth good tidings
that publisheth peace
that bringeth good tidings of good
that publisheth salvation
that sayeth unto Zion
thy God reigneth
²²thy watchmen shall lift up the voice
together shall they sing
for they shall see eye to eye when the Lord shall bring again Zion
²³break forth into Joy
sing together ye waste places of Jerusalem
for the Lord hath comforted his People
he hath redeemed Jerusalem
²⁴the Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the Nations
& all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God

²⁵& now Abinadi saith unto them
are you Priests & pretend to teach this People
& to understand the spirit of prophesying
& yet desireth to know of me what these things mean
²⁶I say unto you
wo be unto you for perverting the ways of the Lord
for if ye understand these things ye have not taught them
therefore ye have perverted the ways of the Lord
²⁷ye have not applied your hearts to understanding
therefore ye have not been wise
therefore what teachest thou this People
²⁸& they said
we teach the law of Moses

²⁹& again he sayeth unto them
if ye teach the law of Moses
why do ye not keep it
why do ye set your hearts upon riches
why do ye commit whoredoms & spend your strength with harlots
yea & cause this People to commit sin
that the Lord hath sent me to prophesy against this People
yea even a great evil against this People
³⁰knowest thou not that I speak the truth
yea thou knowest that I speak the truth
& you had ought to tremble before God

³¹& it shall come to pass that ye shall be smitten for thine iniquities
for ye have said that ye teach the law of Moses
& what knowest thou concerning the law of mores
doth salvation come by the law of Moses
what sayest thou

³²& they answered & said
that salvation did come by the law of Moses

³³& Abinadi saith unto them
I know if ye keep the commandments of God ye shall be saved
yea if ye keep the commandments
which the Lord delivered unto Moses in the mount of Sinai saying

³⁴I am the Lord thy God
which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt
out of the house of bondage

³⁵thou shalt have no \diamond other God before me

³⁶thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image
or any likeness of any thing in the heaven above
or things which is in the earth beneath

³⁷now Abinadi saith unto them
have ye done all this
I say unto you
nay ye have not
& have ye taught this People that they should do all these things
I say unto you
nay ye have not