

**Overview of the Book of Jacob**

(4 Main Sections - Written about 544-421 BC)

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Topic	Chapter	Events
<b>TRANSMITTAL OF THE SMALL PLATES AND DEATH OF NEPHI</b>	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jacob and Joseph seek to persuade men to believe in Christ and keep his commandments</li> <li>2. Nephi dies</li> <li>3. Wickedness prevails among the Nephites.</li> </ol>
<b>SERMON AGAINST NEPHITE PRIDE AND WHOREDOMS</b>  (Given in the Nephite Temple)	2  <b>Rebuke</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jacob denounces the love of riches, pride, and unchastity</li> <li>2. Men should seek riches to help their fellow men</li> <li>3. Jacob condemns the unauthorized practice of plural marriage</li> <li>4. The Lord delights in the chastity of women.</li> </ol>
	3  <b>Consolation</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The pure in heart receive the pleasing word of God</li> <li>2. Lamanite righteousness exceeds that of Nephites</li> <li>3. Jacob warns against fornication, lasciviousness, and every sin.</li> </ol>
<b>GOD'S RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL</b>	4  <b>Law of Moses teaches hope in the Atonement</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All the prophets worshipped the Father in the name of Christ</li> <li>2. Abraham's offering of Isaac was in similitude of God and his Only Begotten</li> <li>3. Men should reconcile themselves to God through the atonement</li> <li>4. The Jews shall reject the foundation stone.</li> </ol>
	5  <b>Allegory of the Olive Trees</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jacob quotes Zenos relative to the allegory of the tame and wild olive trees</li> <li>2. They are a likeness of Israel and the gentiles</li> <li>3. The scattering and gathering of Israel are prefigured</li> <li>4. Allusions are made to the Nephites and Lamanites and all the house of Israel</li> <li>5. Gentiles shall be grafted into Israel</li> <li>6. Eventually the vineyard shall be burned.</li> </ol>
	6  <b>Jacob's Prophecies</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Lord shall recover Israel in the last days</li> <li>2. Then the world shall be burned with fire</li> <li>3. Men must follow Christ to avoid the lake of fire and brimstone.</li> </ol>
<b>ENCOUNTER WITH SHEREM</b>	7  <b>The first of three anti-Christ</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sherem denies Christ, contends with Jacob, demands a sign, and is smitten of God</li> <li>2. All of the prophets have spoken of Christ and his atonement</li> <li>3. The Nephites lived out their days as wanderers, born in tribulation, and hated by the Lamanites.</li> </ol>

## JACOB'S TEST ON RICHES - Jacob 2

1. [2:12] Are you seeking for wealth or riches? ("*Seek not for riches...*" D&C 6:7; 11:7).
2. [2:13] Can you resist the temptation to think you are better than others when you have more than they do?
3. [2:16] Can you resist the pride that may come with wealth and that may destroy your souls?
4. [2:17] Do you think of your brethren like unto yourself?
5. [2:17] Are you familiar with all and free with your substance?
6. [2:18] Is the kingdom of God more important to you than any business or financial success?
7. [2:19] Do you really have a hope in Christ?
8. [2:19] Do you seek for riches for the intent to do good?
9. [2:20] Do you recognize that all you have is a gift from God?
10. [2:21] Do you truly believe that all humans are as precious as you are?
11. [2:21] Do you understand (and live as though you understand) that the true purpose of life is to keep the commandments and glorify God?