

Overview of the Book of Jacob

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

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

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?