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NEPHI QUOTES ISAIAH 2-9

- As an additional witness to his and his brother Jacob's testimony (2 Nephi 11:3)
- To prove the coming of Jesus Christ (2 Nephi 11:4)
- To delight in the covenants made to the fathers (2 Nephi 11:5)
- To delight in God's grace, justice, power, and mercy (2 Nephi 11:5)
- To prove that unless Jesus Christ comes, everyone will perish (2 Nephi 11:6)

Isaiah should cause us to rejoice!

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ISAIAH SIMPLIFIED

1. Ancient Israel **rebelled** against Jesus Christ and prophets.
2. Ancient Israel was driven and **scattered** throughout the world.
3. Through **scripture** and the work of **Joseph Smith**, Israel remembers who she is and begins to **repent**.
4. The majority of modern-day Israel also **rebels** (and Isaiah explains specifically how).
5. God will use **destruction** to punish the world and wicked latter-day Israel. The righteous will be saved but only a remnant will remain.
6. The repentant **survivors** humble themselves and **return** to God.
7. **Perfect** world and kingdom is **built**.

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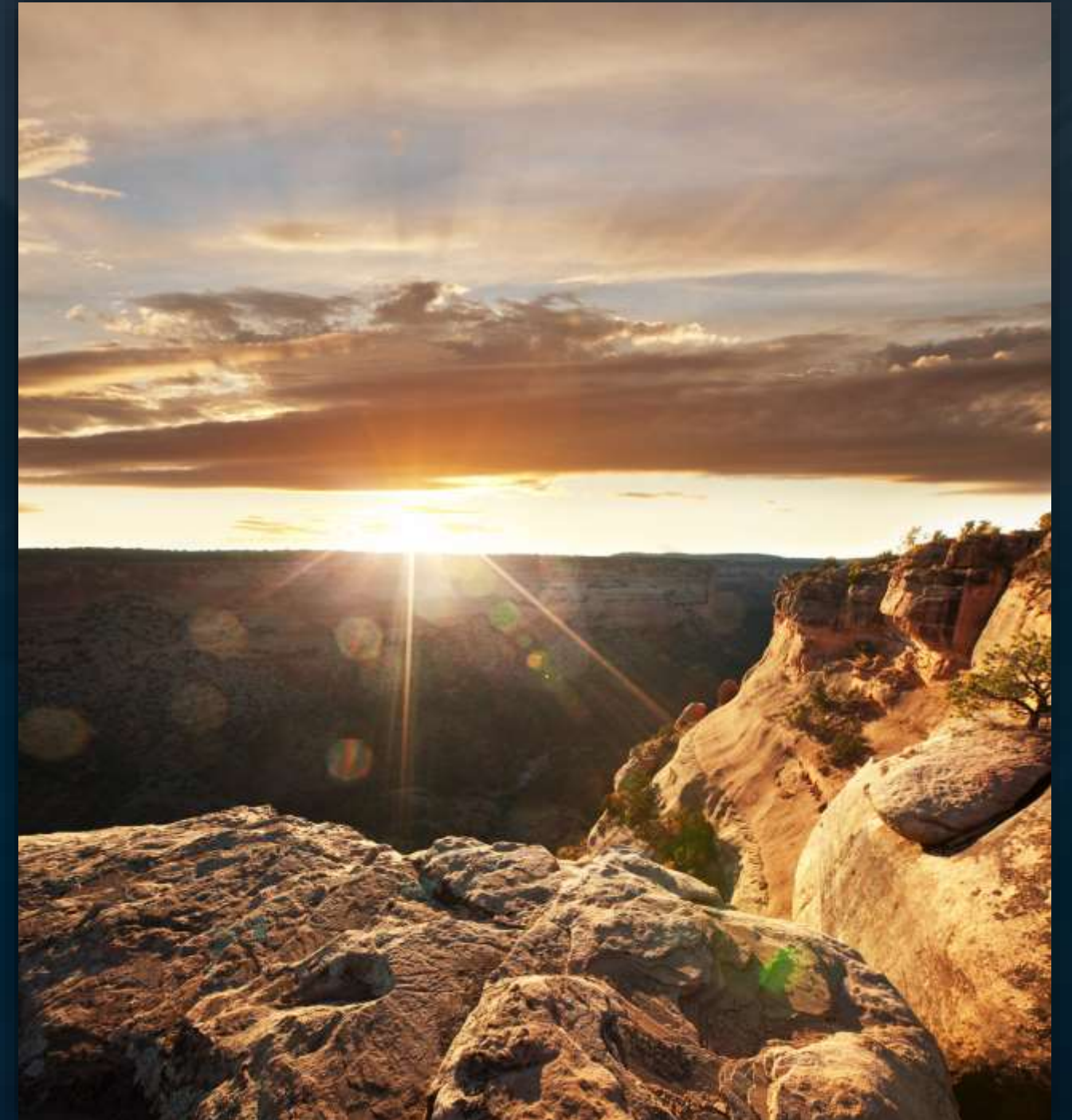
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“And it shall come to pass in the last days, when the **mountain** of the **Lord’s house** shall be established in the **top** of the mountains, and shall be **exalted** above the hills, and **all nations** shall **flow unto it**.

“And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the **mountain** of the Lord, to the **house** of the God of Jacob; and he will **teach** us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths; for **out of Zion shall go forth the law**, and the **word** of the **Lord** from **Jerusalem**.”

2 Nephi 12:2-3, Isaiah 2:2-3

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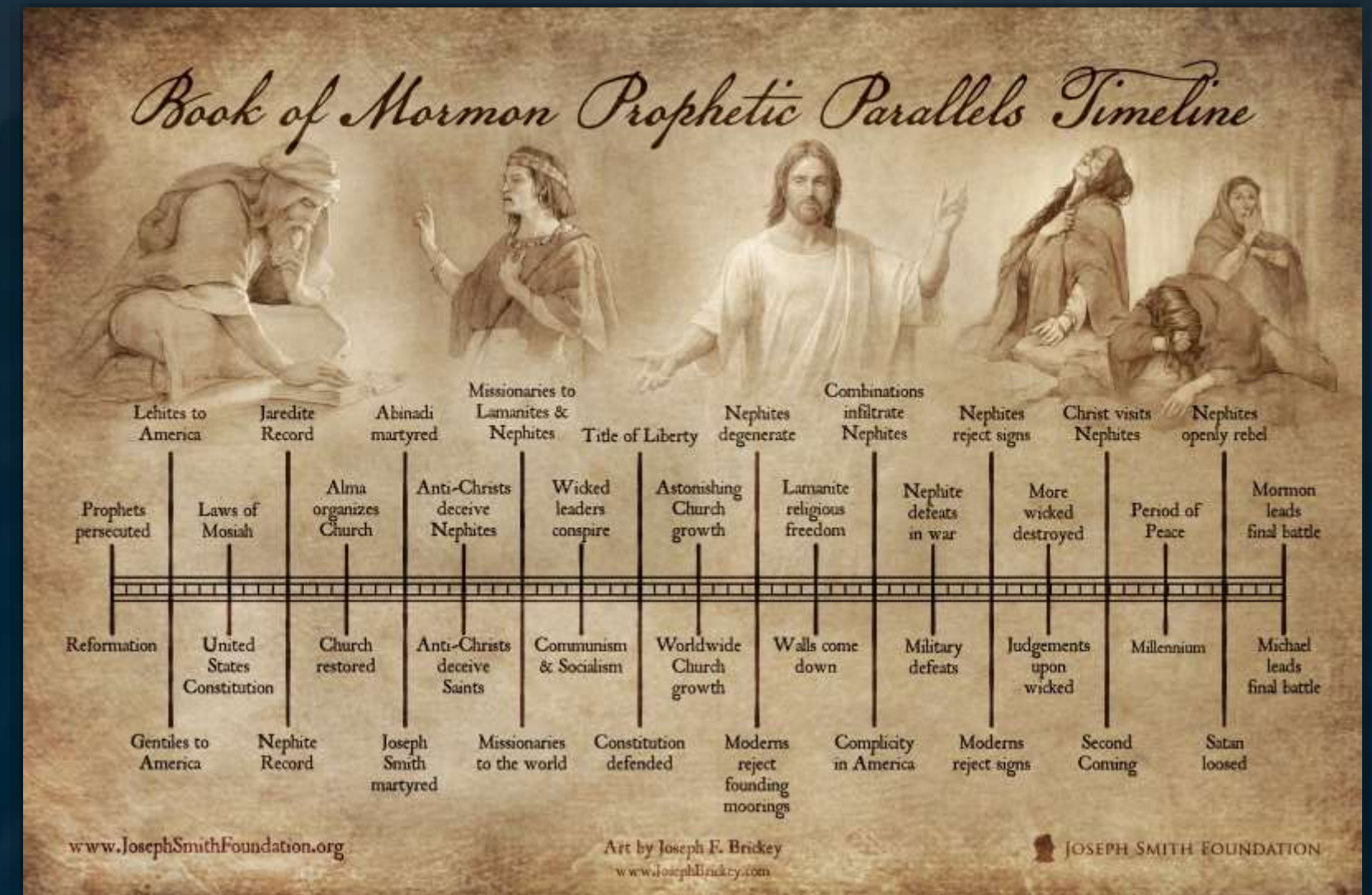


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HOW THE “FOR OUR DAY” MODEL SELECTS PARALLEL EVENTS & INTERPRETS SCRIPTURE

1. Visions of our day recorded in scripture (especially from the Book of Mormon)
2. Teachings of inspired Latter-day prophets and Presidents of the Church
3. Signs of the Times selected by prophetic voices (including President Joseph Fielding Smith, Elder Bruce R. McConkie, etc.)



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ISAIAH 2:2 IN EARLY UTAH

“... the Saints have come up here into the valleys of the mountains, and they are erecting the **house of God** in the **tops** thereof, **for the nations to flow unto** [Isaiah 2:2]. A **standard of truth** has been lifted up to the people, and from the commencement of this work the Latter-day Saints have been **fulfilling** that **flood of revelation and prophecy** which was given formerly concerning this great work in the last days.”

Wilford Woodruff, Journal of Discourses, 15:7

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DESERET SETTLED “BY WILL OF THE FATHER”

“It is often said here that this people are blessed above all other people; this is truly so. We are in the mountains; we did not come here of our own accord, but we **came by the will of the Father**. We are in the **tops of the mountains** where the prophet said the people of God would be in the last days. ‘And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the tops of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.’ [Isaiah 2:2]”

Heber C. Kimball, Journal of Discourses 10:101

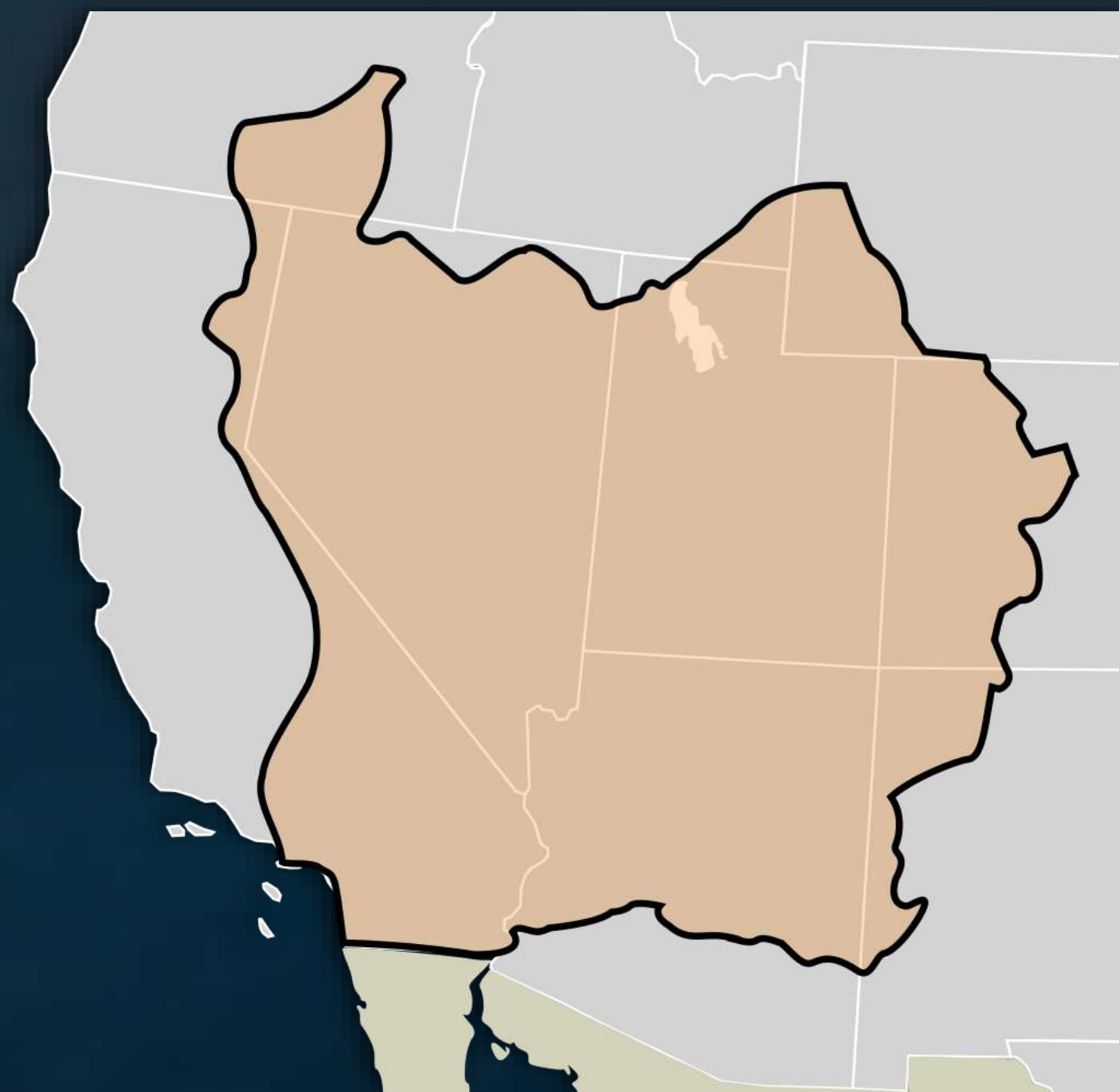
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STATE OF DESERET



*General boundaries of proposed State of Deseret, 1849
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Attempted recreation of a Deseret flag, based on description by Don Maguire, 1877



Deseret Stone, donated to Washington Monument to represent State of Deseret, 1853

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DRIVEN FROM NAUVOO TO ROCKY MOUNTAINS



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Brigham Young Academy Faculty, 1888



Brigham Young Academy, later Brigham Young university and Brigham Young High School, ~1900

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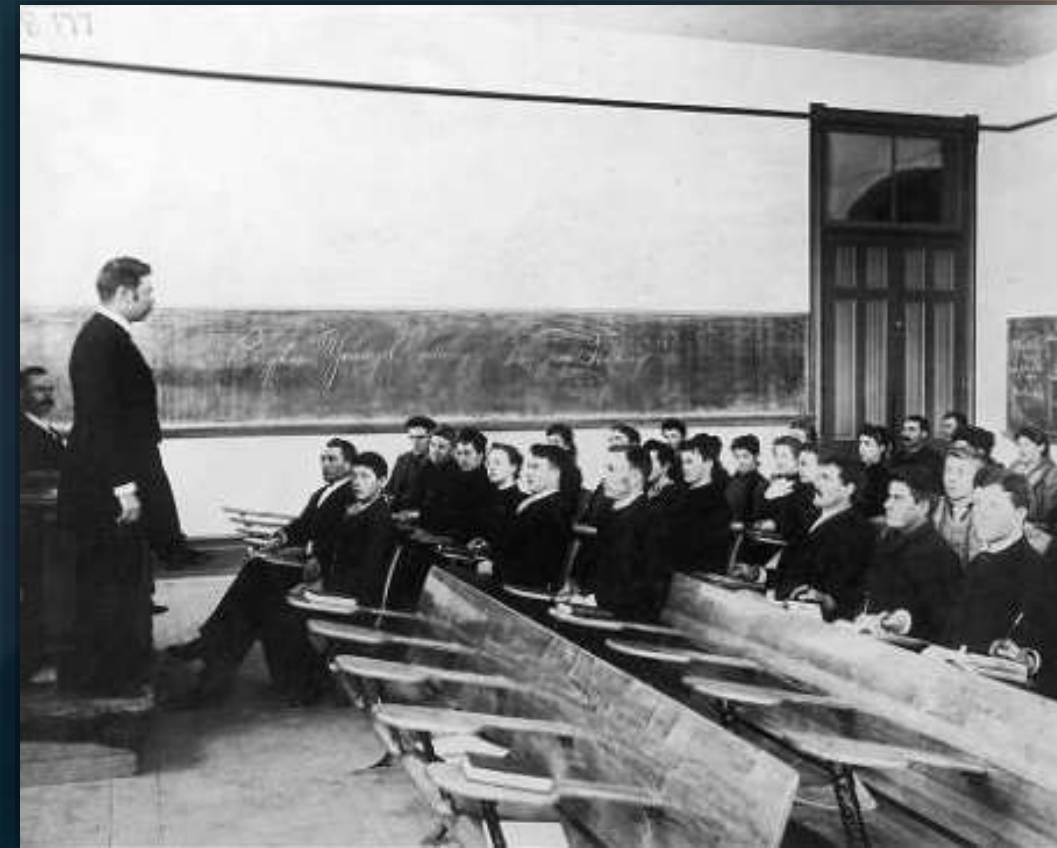
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Academy Choir, 1902-3



Brigham Young Academy's Women's Basketball Team, 1900



*Brigham Young Academy
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*University Hall, the first permanent home
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HUMANE DAY.

IT was a beautiful thought that prompted the observance of Humane Day, a thought that awakens feelings of tenderness and care for the animal world especially for those animals that God has made the servants of man. Whatever we may think of their responsibilities or of the necessity of their punishment certainly their responsibilities and punishment should not be out of harmony with their intelligence and the real necessities of the case. Sometimes we punish the brute simply because we are angry, because we have been hurt, or because we are annoyed at our inability to direct and govern those animals placed within our keeping. The habit of excessive punishment of animals grows on boys just as other evil habits grow, so that it often happens that while a boy is trying to correct the disposition of a horse and to make himself ruler over the animal he is spoiling his own disposition. What we do to others in some measure we do to ourselves, and this is true even in the case of dumb brutes.

What is even more serious than the wrongs inflicted upon dumb animals is the habit of wrong doing, for doing wrong to animals is but a stepping stone to the doing of wrong to our fellowmen. I once knew a boy who in his childhood was sweet and amiable. In his early boyhood his circumstances compelled him to labor, to drive a team, for the support of himself and a widowed mother. The team consisted of a span of mules. No doubt they tried his temper which in time became so violent that he had no control over it. He punished his animals unmercifully, and in time there was a spirit of noticeable cruelty towards his companions. It was an uncontrollable temper that had a mastery over him. He could not punish his fellowmen, as he punished his team. The anger that prompted him to do so led him to fights and the habit of fighting grew upon him. He was as frequently punished himself as he punished others. He became in time unlovable, unamiable, and his companions shunned him. He grew sullen and morose as hatred gained possession of his heart. Finally he sought the life of his fellowman.

Such was the result of a boy's association with animal life. Associations in the animal world have some kinship to the associations of men with their fellowmen. There are animals whose stubborn disposition, reckless and vicious habits make them undesirable companions for a boy. I have sometimes seen boys unfortunately associated with vicious teams; and as I now look back upon life, and see the effect such teams had upon the lives of my companions in youth, I asked myself, Does it pay? Fathers who are very particular about the association of their sons with other young

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Deseret University 1850. House owned by the Father of Faculty Member, Dr. Pack.



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Deseret University 1850, classes

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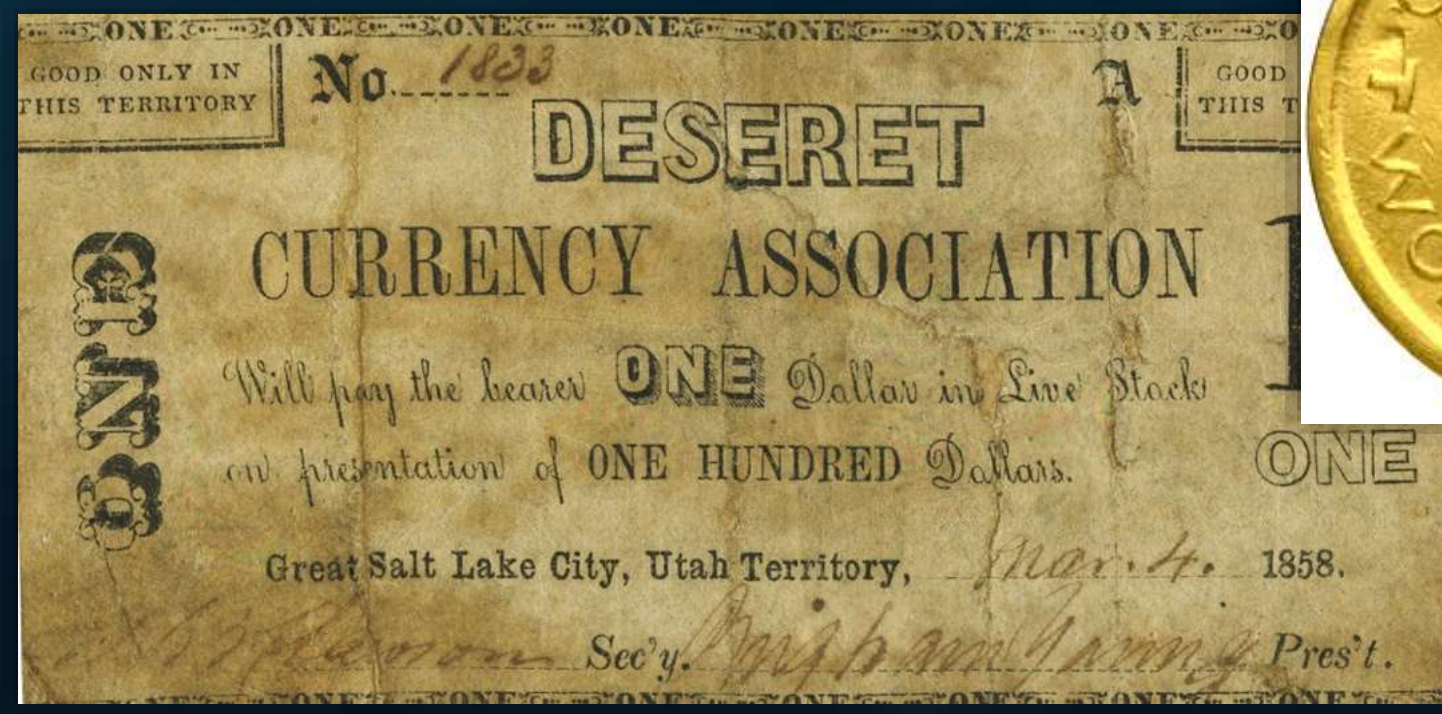
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Assembly Hall, Salt Lake City, Utah



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“Wheresoever the body [“carcass” in Matthew] is gathered . . . whithersoever the **saints** are gathered, thither will the **eagles** be gathered together; or, thither will the remainder be gathered together. . . . signifying the **gathering** of his **saints**; and of **angels** descending and **gathering** the remainder unto them . . .”

JST Luke 17:37-38, also Joseph Smith—Matthew 1:27/Matthew 24:28



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ISAIAH PROPHECIES OF DESERET

“Some felt their faith tried that we had to leave our lovely Nauvoo and go into the wilderness. Bless your souls, there would have been a **flood of revelation unfulfilled** if these things had not been so. **Isaiah** speaks of the foundation of this **great Zion** [including Deseret/Rocky Mountains], and writes the **whole of her history** and travels up to the **present day**, and from this time on until the **winding-up scene**.

“If we had not been driven from Nauvoo we would never have come up the Platte River, where, **Isaiah** says, he **saw** the **Saints** going by the **river** of water wherein went no galley with oars [**Isaiah 33:21**]; a great **company** of **women** with **child** and her that travailed with child [**Isaiah 54:1**] would never have come here to the mountains of Israel if we had not been driven from that land, and a whole flood of **prophecy** would have remained **unfulfilled**, with regard to our making this **desert blossom** as the **rose** [**Isaiah 35:1**], the **waters** coming forth out of the **barren desert** [**Isaiah 35:6**], our **building** the **house of God** on the **tops of the mountains** [**Isaiah 2:2**], lifting up a **standard** for these nations to **flee** to [**Isaiah 49:22**]; all this and much more would have remained unfulfilled had we not been guided and led by the **strong arm of Jehovah** [**Isaiah 40:10**], whose words **must be fulfilled** though the heavens and the earth pass away.”

Wilford Woodruff, Journal of Discourses 16:263

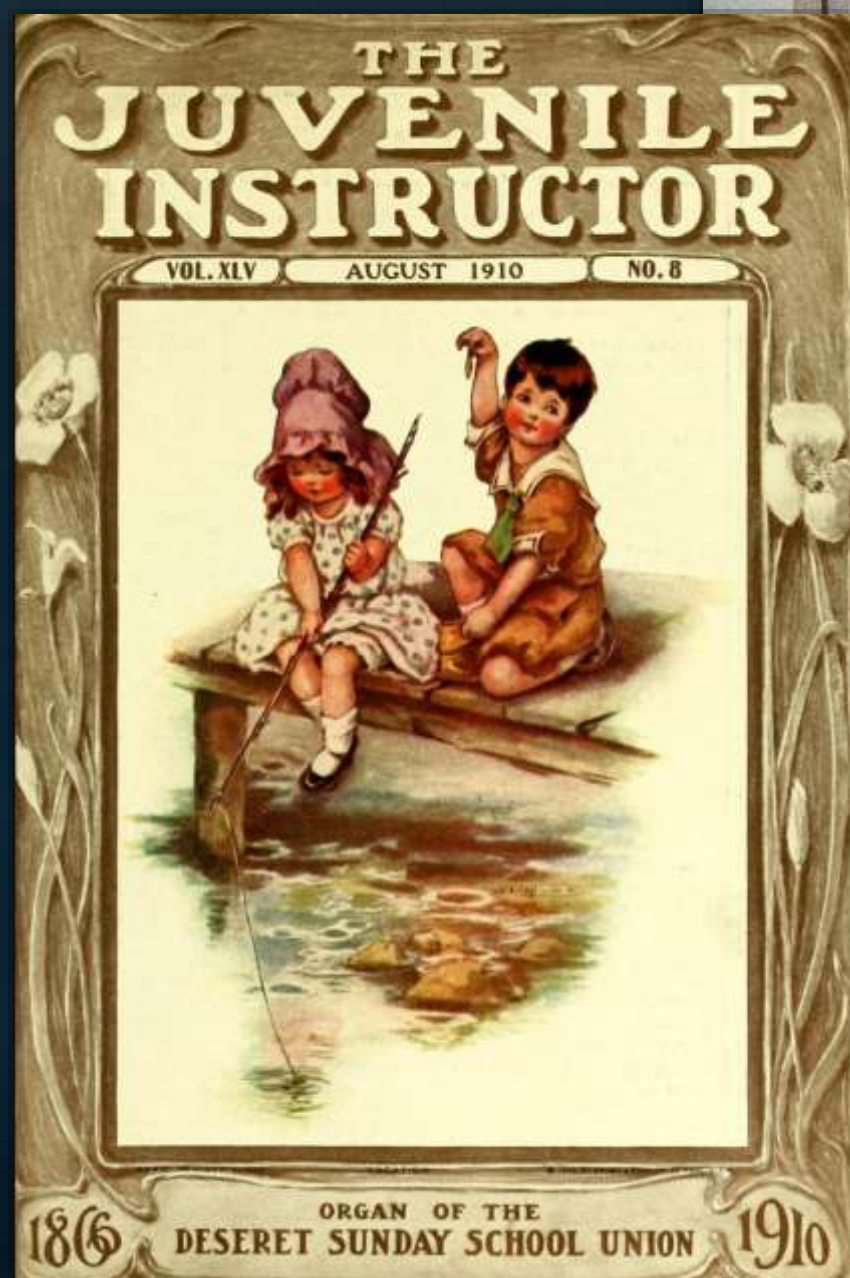
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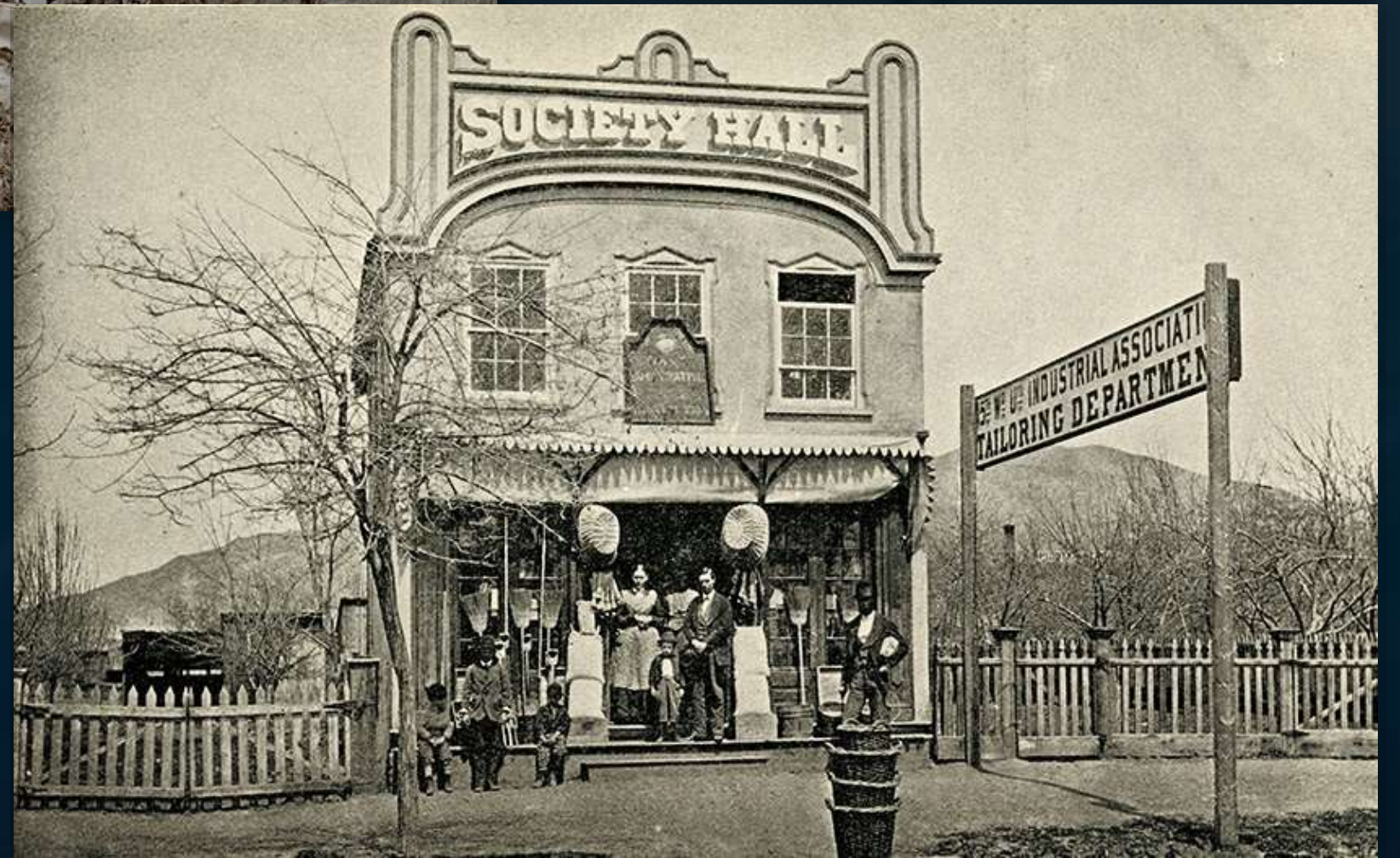
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Latter-day Saint women making silk

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IDAHO FALLS TEMPLE DEDICATORY PRAYER

“We thank thee that thou hast revealed to us that those who gave us our **constitutional** form of government were wise in thy sight and that thou didst raise them up for the very purpose of putting forth that sacred document. . . . We pray that kings and rulers and the peoples of all nations . . . may be constrained to adopt similar governmental systems, thus to fulfill the ancient prophecy of Isaiah and Micah that **‘out of Zion shall go forth the law and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.’**”

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VAST DESTRUCTION AMONG LORD'S PEOPLE WHO REJECT GOSPEL & COVENANTS

"Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his **fat** ones **leanness**; and under his glory he shall kindle a **burning** like the burning of a fire.

"And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall **burn** and **devour** his thorns and his briars in one day;

"And shall **consume** the **glory of his forest** [Lord's people who once were His glory but then rejected Him], and of his **fruitful field**, both soul and body: and they shall be as when a **standardbearer fainteth**.

"And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be **few**, that a **child may write them**.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of **Israel**, and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall **no more** again stay upon him that smote them; but shall **stay upon the Lord**, the Holy One of Israel, in truth."

Isaiah 10:16-20

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“YE HAVE ALL GONE ASTRAY”

“O house of Jacob, come ye and let us walk in the light of the Lord; yea, come, for **ye have all gone astray, every one** to his **wicked** ways.”

2 Nephi 12:5

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SIGNS OF THE TIMES

- #33: Latter-Day Wickedness
- #34: Spirit Ceasing to Strive With Wicked
- #35: Peace Taken From Earth
- #39: Apostate Darkness Covers Earth



Taken from Elder Bruce R. McConkie's list of 51 Signs of the Times (Mormon Doctrine, pp. 715-734)

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WHO ARE THE LORD'S "PEOPLE" TODAY? WHO MAKES COVENANTS WITH HIM?

- "The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: but Israel doth not know, **my people** doth not consider." (Isaiah 1:3)
- "As for **my people**, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O **my people**, they which lead thee cause thee to err, and destroy the way of thy paths." (Isaiah 3:12)
- "Therefore **my people** are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge: and their honourable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst." (Isaiah 5:13)
- "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew **my people** their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins." (Isaiah 58:1)
- And many more . . .

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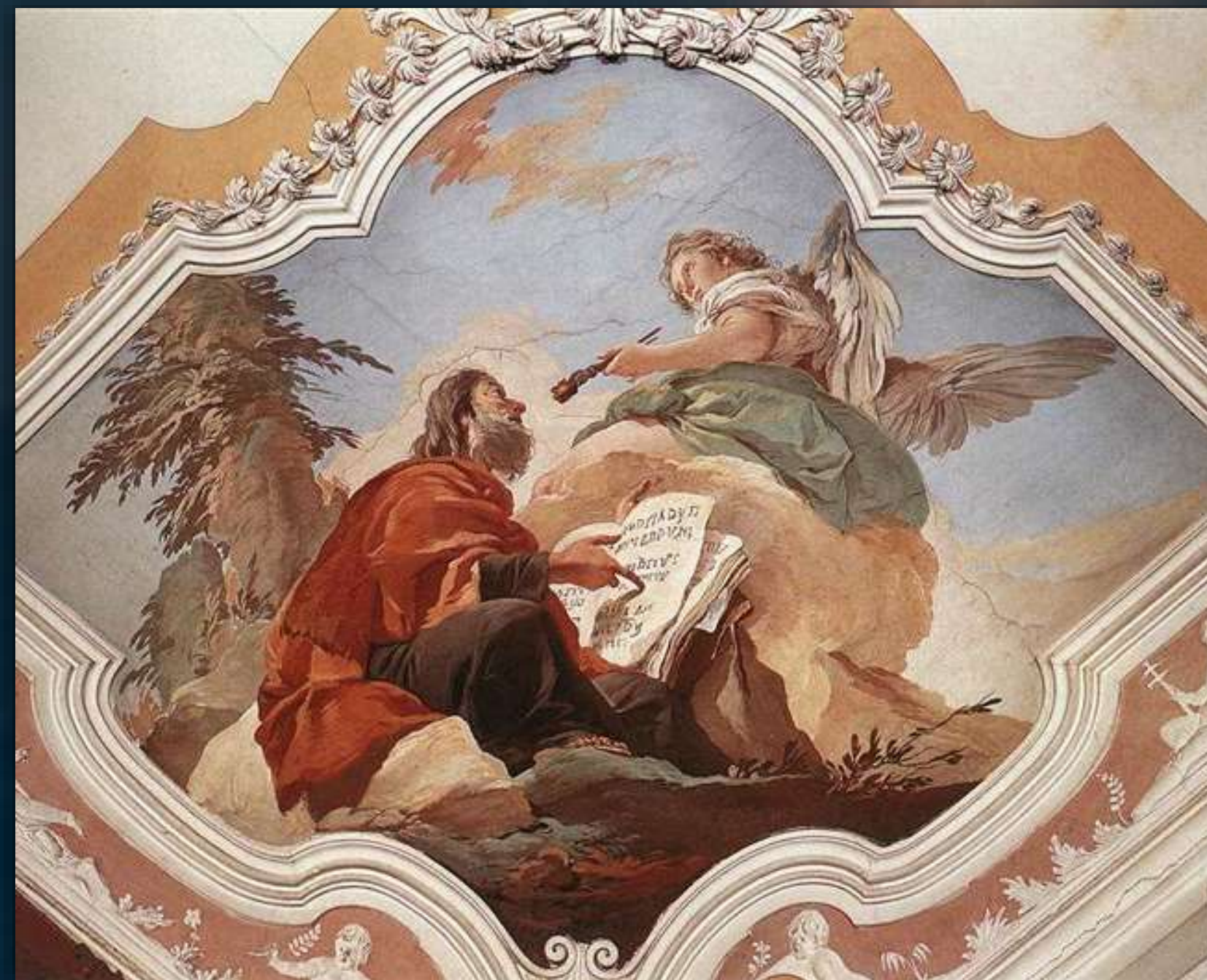
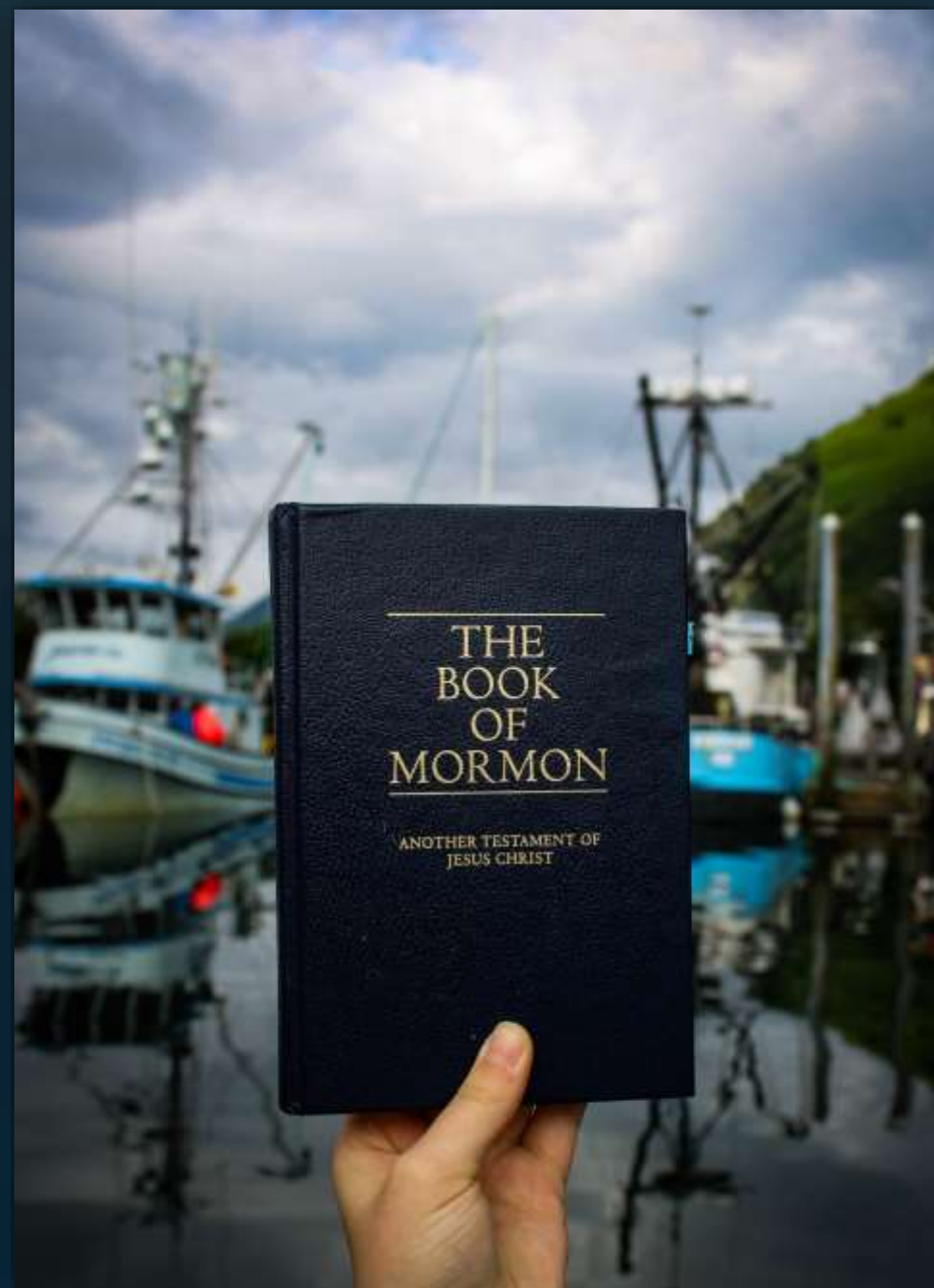


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WEALTH AND PRIDE

“Therefore, O Lord, thou hast forsaken thy people, the house of Jacob . . . Their land also is full of silver and gold, neither is there any end of their treasures; their land is also full of horses, neither is there any end of their chariots.”

2 Nephi 12:6-7, Isaiah 2:6-7

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- “Their land is also full of idols; they **worship** the work of their **own** hands, that which their own fingers have made. And the mean man boweth not down, and the great man **humbleth** himself **not**, therefore, forgive him not.” (2 Nephi 12:8-9, Isaiah 2:8-9)
- “The Lord will enter into judgment with the ancients of his people and the princes thereof; for ye have eaten up the vineyard and the **spoil** of the **poor** in your houses. What mean ye? Ye **beat my people** to pieces, and **grind** the faces of the **poor**, saith the Lord God of Hosts.” (2 Nephi 13:14-15, Isaiah 3:14-15)

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- “Now this great loss of the Nephites . . . would not have happened had it not been for their **wickedness** and their abomination . . . it was among those also who **professed** to **belong** to the **church** of God. And it was because of the **pride** of their hearts, because of their exceeding **riches**, yea, it was because of their **oppression** to the **poor**, withholding their food from the **hungry**, withholding their clothing from the **naked**, and **smiting** their humble brethren upon the cheek . . .” (Helaman 4:11-12)

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SECULAR REFUSAL TO ACKNOWLEDGE GOD

“... they **regard not** the **work** of the Lord, neither consider the **operation** of his **hands**. Therefore, my people are gone into **captivity**, because they have **no knowledge**; and their honorable men are **famished**, and their multitude dried up with **thirst**.”

2 Nephi 15:12-13, Isaiah 5:12-13

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AMULON'S SECULAR EDUCATION SYSTEM

“... they [the Lamanites] knew not God; **neither** did the brethren of Amulon **teach** them **anything** concerning the Lord their **God**, neither the **law** of Moses; nor did they teach them the words of **Abinadi**;

“But they taught them that they should keep their **record**, and that they might **write** one to another.

“... the Lamanites began to increase in **riches**, and began to **trade** one with another and wax **great**, and began to be a **cunning** and a **wise** people, as to the wisdom of the **world**...”

Mosiah 24:5-7

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DANGER OF DIVORCING GOD

“And in **nothing** doth man **offend** God, or against none is his wrath kindled, save those who **confess not his hand** in all things, and **obey not** his **commandments**.”



Doctrine and Covenants 59:21

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CUTTING THE CORD IN EDUCATION

“The Supreme Court of the United States has made it **unpatriotic** for public schools to teach your children to **pray**. By making that unconstitutional, the Supreme Court **severs** the **connecting cord** between the public **schools** of the United States and the source of **divine intelligence**, the **Creator** himself. Evidently the Supreme Court misinterprets the true meaning of the First Amendment, and are now **leading** this Christian **nation** down the road to **atheism**.”

David O. McKay, “Parental Responsibility,” Relief Society Magazine, Dec. 1962, p. 878. Also printed in the Church News, June 22, 1963

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- “. . . they regard not the work of the Lord, neither consider the operation of his hands. Therefore, my people are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge; and their honorable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.” (2 Nephi 15:12-13, Isaiah 5:12-13)

BOOK OF MORMON

- “neither did the brethren of Amulon teach them anything concerning the Lord their God . . . And thus the Lamanites began to increase in riches, and began to trade one with another and wax great, and began to be a cunning and a wise people, as to the wisdom of the world, yea, a very cunning people, delighting in all manner of wickedness and plunder, except it were among their own brethren.” (Mosiah 24:5-7)

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WARNINGS IN 2 NEPHI 17-19

- Do not trust in “kings” (mortal leaders) and alliances with men to save you. Turn only to the Lord.
- Jesus Christ will be sent by the Father—He is the only true way of safety.
- If you “associate”/partner yourself with the arm of flesh, you will be “broken in pieces.”
- Most of Israel rejects the Lord and turns to witches and other sources for wisdom and safety. Because of this, they are a broken people when the Lord comes.
- Do not be afraid of the plots and conspiracies of the enemy. The Lord will defeat them.
- Jesus Christ can teach Israel how to discern.

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DESTRUCTION OF MASCULINITY & FATHERHOOD

“And **my people, children** are their **oppressors**, and **women rule** over them. O my people, they who lead thee cause thee to **err** and **destroy** the way of thy **paths.**”

2 Nephi 13:12

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ATTACKING THE FATHER

“The **undermining** of the home and family is on the **increase**, with the devil anxiously working to **displace** the **father** as the **head** of the home and create **rebellion** among the children. The Book of Mormon **describes** this **condition** when it states, ‘And my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them.’ (2 Nephi 13 & Isaiah 2)”



Ezra Taft Benson, General Conference, October 1970 (also Teachings of Ezra Taft Benson, p. 541)

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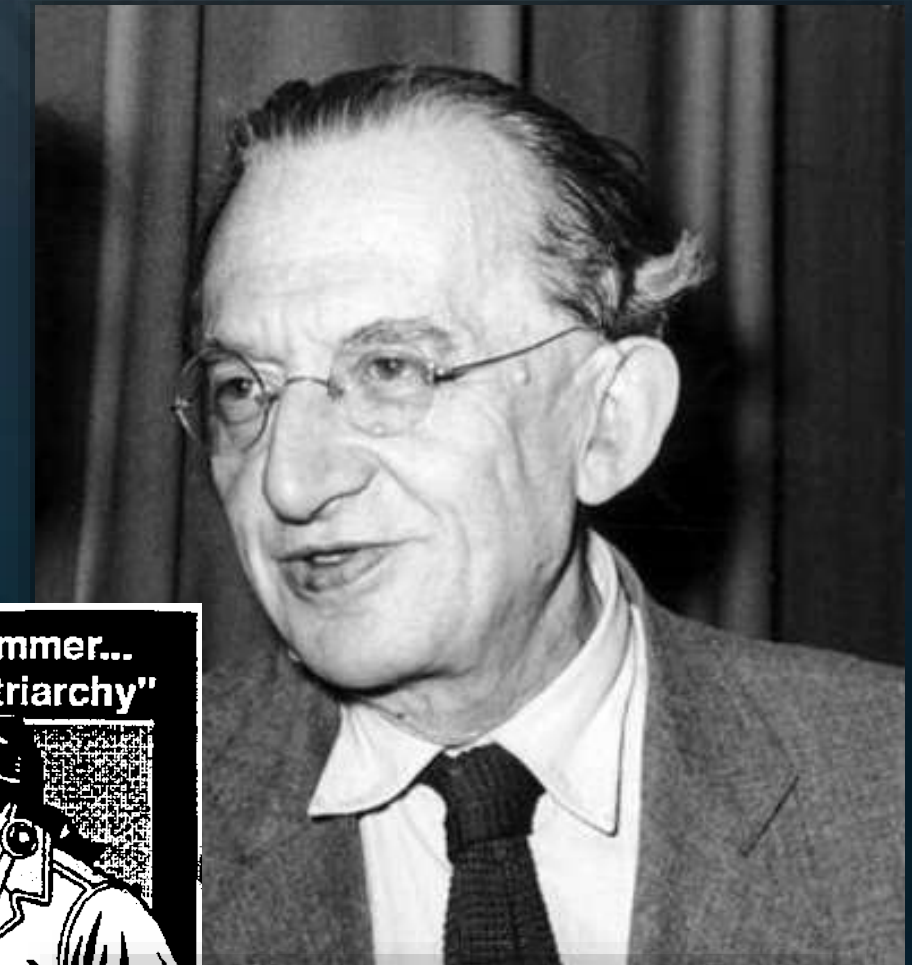
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FATHERS: NEO-MARXIST TARGET

- Refined strategy – destroy from within
- First and foremost: destroy **Christianity**.
- Destroy Christianity by destroying the **family**
- Destroy the family by destroying the **“Christian patriarch”**
- **Cinema, theater, schools**, universities, seminaries, newspapers, magazines, radio, television, and courts
- Create curriculum for the world’s two strongest teaching institutions: the **cinema** and the **public school system**.
- B.K. Eakman called the Frankfurt School “far and away the most successful psychological warfare operation ever launched against the West.”



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DIVINE PATTERN OF FATHERS & SONS

- Nephi & Lehi
- Enos & Jacob
- Sons of Mosiah & Mosiah
- Alma the Younger & Alma the Elder
- Stripling Warriors & biological fathers support army/Helaman acts as father figure during war
- Helaman, Corianton, Shiblon & Alma the Younger
- Nephi, Lehi & Helaman
- Moroni & Mormon



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REAL FAMILY HAS NO GENERATION GAP

“In a **real** Latter-day Saint home there is **no** such thing as a **generation gap**. We **never** heard of it until a few years ago, and where did it start? It started with some of these so-called **social reformers**, these do-gooders who are used as **tools** of the **adversary** to drive young people **away** from their parents and to get parents to **let down** in their **responsibility** to give guidance and direction to their own children.”

Ezra Taft Benson, Teachings of Ezra Taft Benson, p. 406

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“SANE LIVING” SOLUTIONS

“The spirit of the times is **worldliness**. . . . Supposedly good youth from recognized good families express their revolt in destructive acts. . . . **Respect** for **authority**—secular, religious, political—seems to be at a low ebb. **Immorality**, drug addiction, general **moral** and **spiritual deterioration** seem to be increasing, and the world is in turmoil.

“But the **Lord** has offered an **old program** in new dress, and it gives promise to return the world to **sane living**, to **true family life**, to family interdependence. It is to **return** the **father** to his **rightful place** at the **head** of the **family**, to bring mother home from social life and employment, the children from near-total **fun** and **frolic**.”

Spencer W. Kimball, “Home Training—the Cure for Evil,” General Conference, April 1965

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WITCHCRAFT

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- “And when they shall say unto you: Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep and mutter—should not a people seek unto their God for the living to hear from the dead?” (2 Nephi 18:19, Isaiah 8:19)

BOOK OF MORMON

- “And it came to pass that there were sorceries, and witchcrafts, and magics; and the power of the evil one was wrought upon all the face of the land, even unto the fulfilling of all the words of Abinadi, and also Samuel the Lamanite.” (Mormon 1:19)
- “For those who did not belong to their church did indulge themselves in sorceries, and in idolatry . . .” (Alma 1:32)

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WITCHCRAFT DRIVES SPIRIT AWAY

“**Witchcraft**, and all **kindred** evils, are solely the creations of the superstitious imaginations of men and women who are steeped in ignorance, and derive their power over people from the **devil**, and those who submit to this influence are **deceived** by him.

“**Unless they repent, they will be destroyed**. There is absolutely **no possibility** for a person who enjoys the Holy Spirit of God even to believe that such influences can have any effect upon him. The enjoyment of the Holy Spirit is absolute proof against all influences of evil; you **never** can **obtain** that **Spirit** by seeking **diviners**, and men and women who ‘peep and mutter.’”

Joseph F. Smith, Gospel Doctrine, p. 473

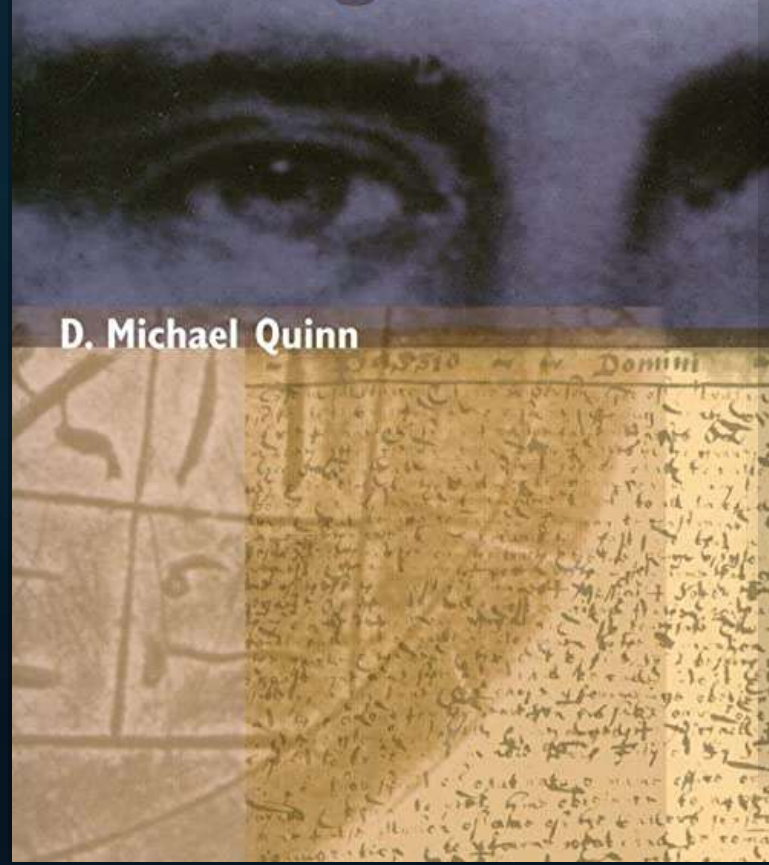
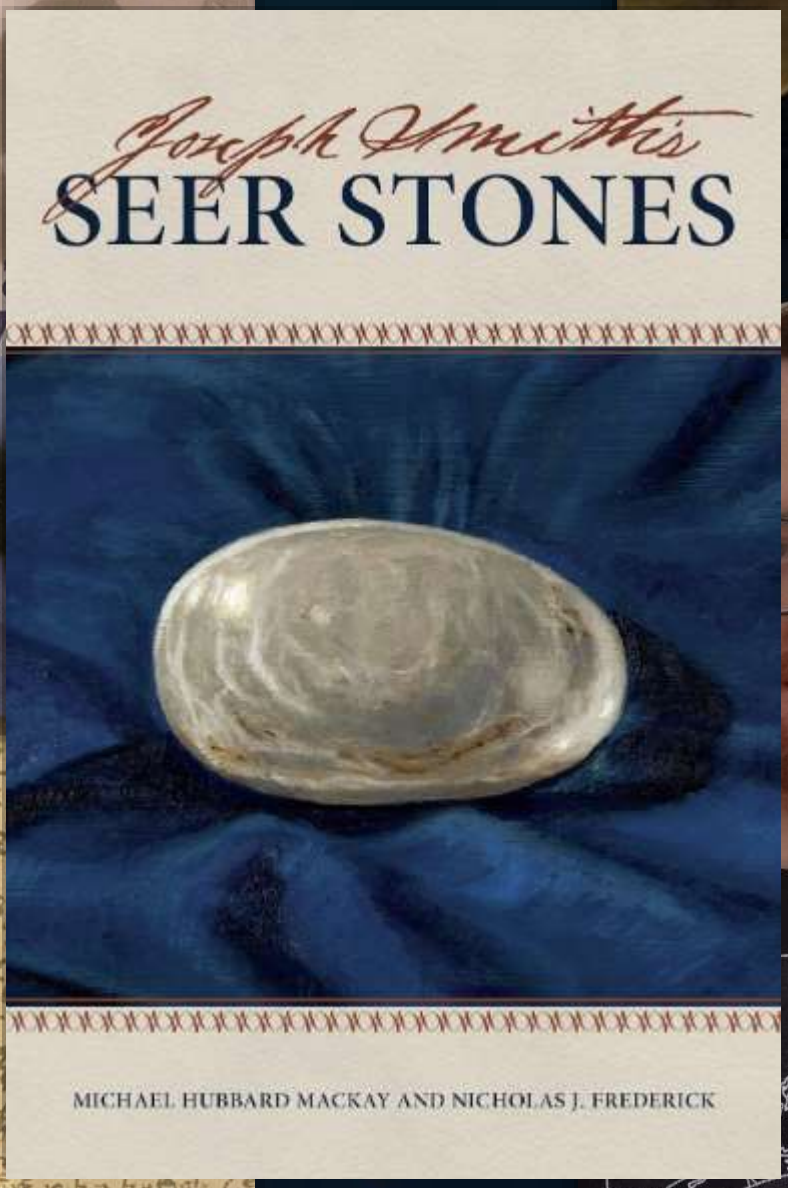
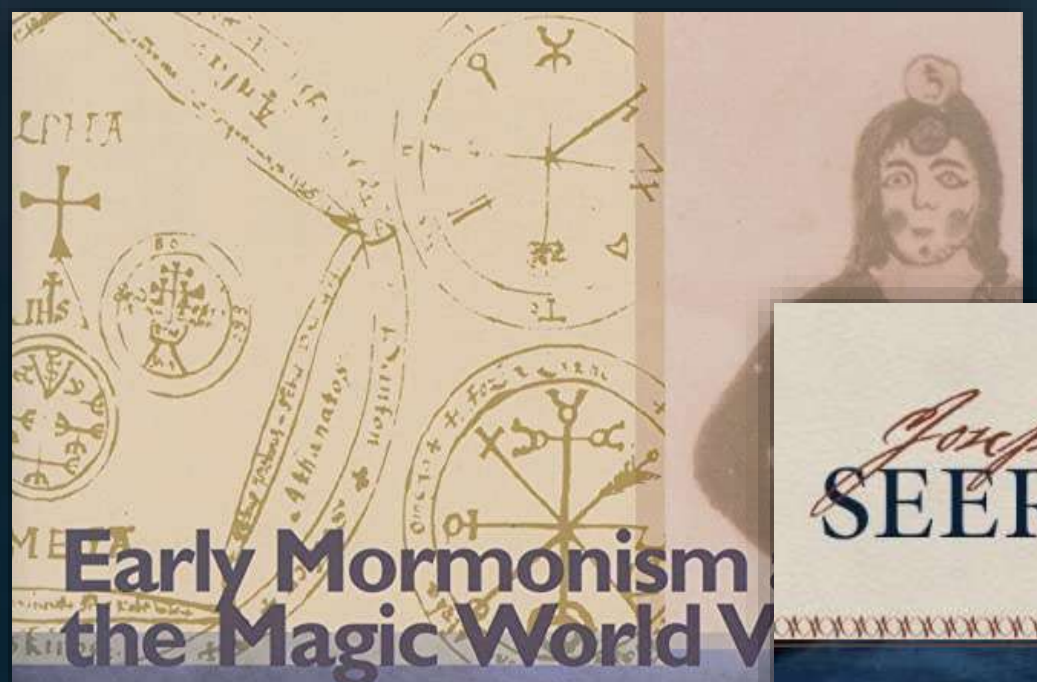
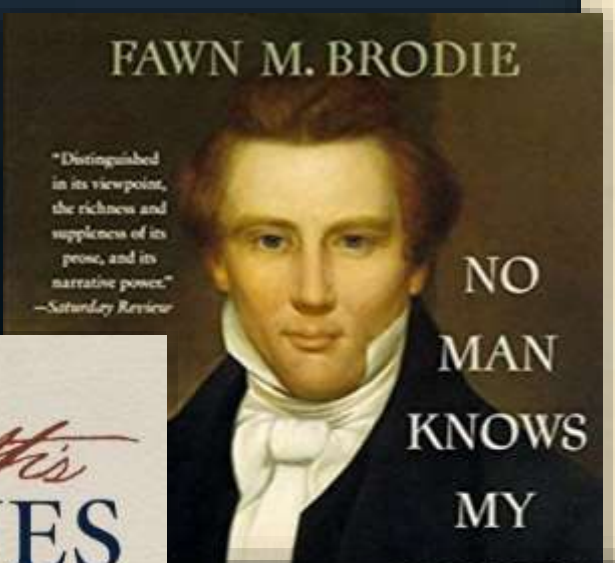
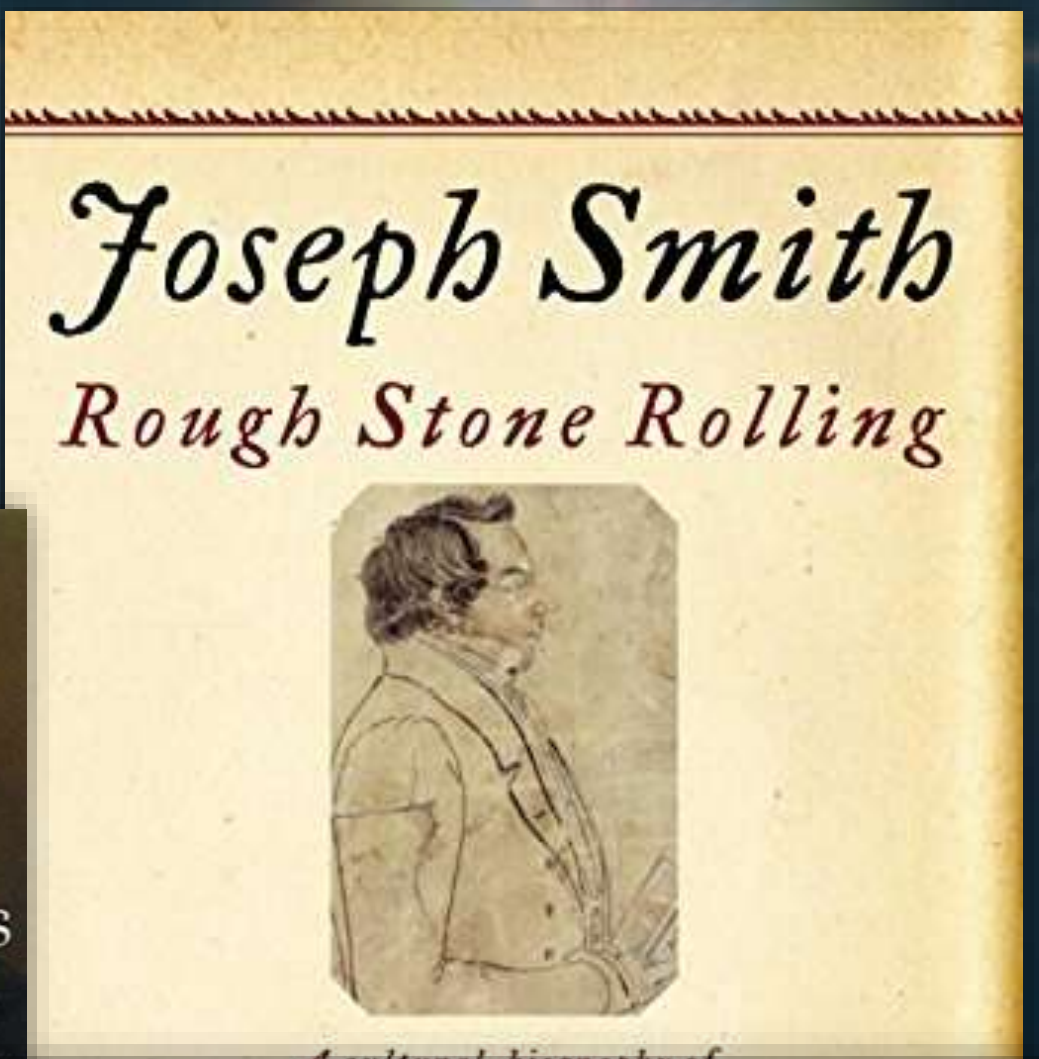
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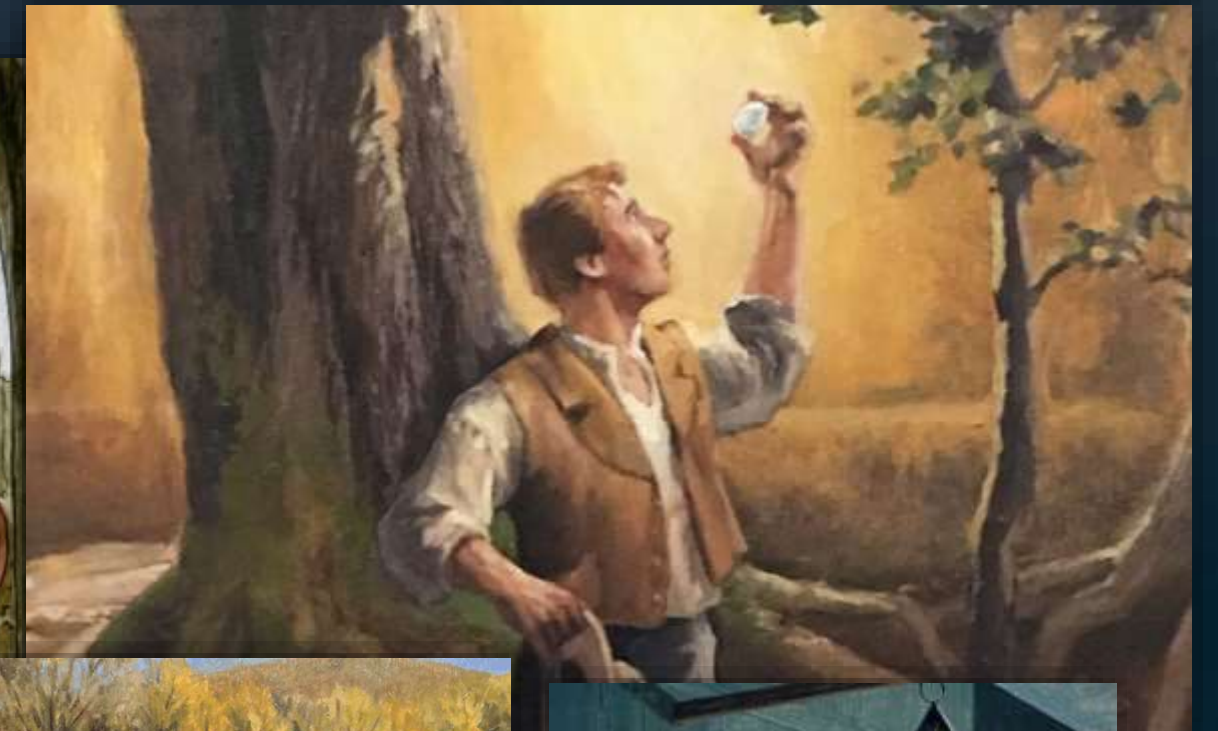
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“BABES SHALL RULE OVER THEM”

“The Lord, the Lord of Hosts, doth take away . . . The mighty man, and the man of war, the judge, and the prophet, and the prudent, and the ancient;

“The captain of fifty, and the honorable man, and the counselor, and the cunning artificer, and the eloquent orator.

“And I will give children unto them to be their princes, and babes shall rule over them.”

2 Nephi 13:2-4, Isaiah 3:1-4

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“NO GREAT LEADERS” TODAY

“I respect all men and it is from disrespect for none that I say there are **no great leaders** in the world today. In fact, greatness itself is laughed to **scorn**. You should not be great today; you should **sink** yourself into the **herd**. You should not be **distinguished** from the crowd; you should simply be one of the many. The commanding voice is **lacking**, the voice which speaks little but which when it speaks, it speaks with compelling **moral authority**. This kind of voice is **not congenial** to this age. The age **flattens** and **levels down** every distinction into drab uniformity.”



Gordon B. Hinckley, “Stand Up For Truth,” BYU Devotional, September 17, 1996

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PRAY GOD SENDS “GREAT LEADERS”

“**Respect** for the high, the noble, the great, the rare, the specimen that appears once every hundred or every thousand years is **gone**. Respect at all is gone. If you ask people whom and what people do respect, the answer is literally nobody and nothing. This is simply an **unrespecting** age; it is the **age of utter mediocrity**. To become a leader today, even a mediocre leader, is a most **uphill** struggle. You are constantly in every way and from every side **pulled down**. One wonders who of those living today will be remembered a thousand years from now . . . If you believe in prayer my friends, and I know that you do, then **pray that God send great leaders, especially great leaders of the spirit.**”

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“UNTO US A SON IS GIVEN”

- Jesus Christ is THE way.
- He will break every yoke.
- He has good government.
- He has the true, pure word from the Father.
- In spite of all the rebellion, His hand is stretched out still.
- The majority will be destroyed, but the survivors will be those who repent and listen to the prophets.
- Jesus Christ can and will save.

2 Nephi 19, Isaiah 9

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