

## LESSON 6 / “Free to Choose”

### 2 Nephi 1-2

(members gain greater desire to choose “liberty and eternal life”)

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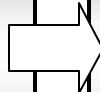
**Supplement #2**  
**Consequences of Fall**

**Conditions Before Fruit**

- 1- They could act for selves but could do no good for knew no evil
- 2- Did not have to till ground
- 3- Knew no misery or joy
- 4- Would remain in same state forever and have no end

**Conditions After Fruit**

- 1- They could do good, but could also do evil
- 2- Had to work to obtain food
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“The Lord has given you the gift of agency and instructed you sufficiently to know good from evil. You are free to choose and are permitted to act , but you are not free to choose the consequences. With absolute certainty, choices of good and right lead to happiness and peace, while choices of sin and evil eventually lead to unhappiness, sorrow, and misery”.

*(Conference, October 1989)*

**Supplement #4**  
**Discovering Eternal Gospel Truths**

**False Teachings**

- 1- There is no good or evil
- 2- There is no law
- 3- There is no life after death
- 4- There is no God
- 5- Life has no purpose
- 6- Our actions are predetermined

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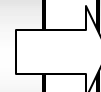
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What gospel principals would you teach wayward children?

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What is so dang wrong with Satan's idea of making us be good? .....Doesn't it sound good some days?

1. Lehi exhorts his sons to repent and obey commandments

- 2Nephi 1:5 Lehi said his people had obtained what? .....They received the land of promise by covenant
2Nephi 1:6-7, 9 What was the covenant? .....Lets read the promises of the covenant since we live here
2Nephi 1:10-12 And if the inhabitants reject the Savior? .....Lets read the promises if the covenant is rejected
2Nephi 1:13-14 Lehi wanted sons to awake and shake what? .....How is sin like being asleep; like being bound by chains?
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2Nephi 1:15 What were L's blessings of faithfulness? .....What are rewards for us if we are real men and women?

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What could be better than this? Refer to picture Return with Honor

- 2Nephi 2:5 Lehi says that no flesh is what?.....downer.....No flesh is justified; nobody can be perfect, clean or pay for own sins
2Nephi 2:6 How can we be made worthy? .....upper.....ONLY through Christ's atonement
2Nephi 2:7 What are the "ends of the law"? .....consequences of Fall, disobedience / How did Savior do it?
Supplement #1 President Joseph F. Smith.....
D&C 19:15-17 How can we be justified? .....Jesus will suffer for us if we repent or else we will suffer
2Nephi 2:8 What are things we should make known?.....As mentioned before, we want to share those things that are special

3. Lehi teaches the importance of opposition & freedom

Sharing this news shows gratitude to Savior for gift he gave us

- 2Nephi 2:15-16 Lehi teaches sons of need for what? .....Opposition / members should read all of this chapter
Supplement #2 Before and after fruit chart.....Doctrine of the Fall is deep / Why try to teach L&L such doctrine?
2Nephi 2:22-23 The Fall brings us what blessings? .....No children, no joy, no misery, no good
2Nephi 2:11 What did Lehi tell children about opposition? .....Lehi understood purposes of opposition and lived life accordingly
2Nephi 2:24-25 What does Heavenly Father want for us? .....joy
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Supplement #3 Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin .....We ourselves determine if we are happy

How does this apply to me?

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Next Lesson 2 Nephi 3-5