

LESSON 20 ? Mosiah 25-28; Alma 36
"My Soul is Pained No More"

(Objective: to inspire class to repent, be converted, and share gospel)

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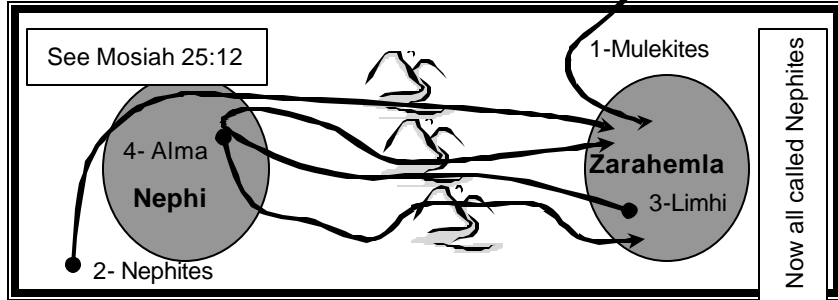
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But we must be careful as we discuss these remarkable examples. Though they are real and powerful, they are the exception more than the rule. For every Paul, for every Enos, and for every King Lamoni, there are hundreds and thousands of people who find the process of repentance much more subtle, much more imperceptible. Day by day they move closer to the Lord, little realizing they are building a godlike life. They live quiet lives of goodness, service, and commitment. They are like the Lamanites, who the Lord said, "were baptized with fire and with the Holy Ghost, and they knew it not" (3 Nephi 9:20). (Conference Report, October 1989, p. 5)

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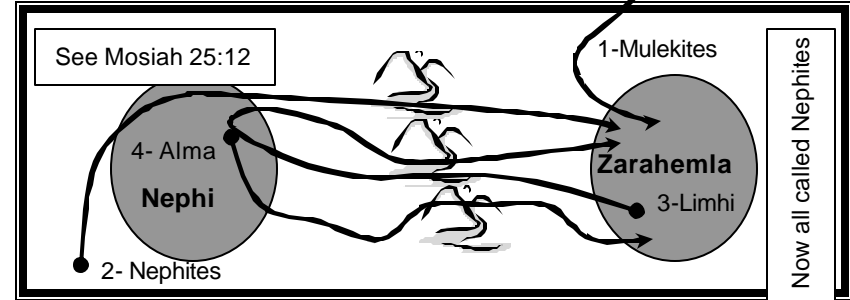
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For some, sudden and dramatic; other subtle gradual process
For some conversion is easy; others must struggle and fight for testimony

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1- Limhi and Alma join Mosiah in Zarahemla

- Supplement #1 What four groups are now in Zarahemla? Review movement of peoples
- Mosiah 25:13 What name are all these people called? All were called Nephites
- Mosiah 25: 5-6 What did Mosiah read to residents of Z? The records of Zeniff and Alma
- Mosiah 25: 7-11 How did people respond? Wonder & amazement, great joy, tears of sorrow, gratitude, pain & anguish
- Mosiah 25: 14 Who did Mosiah invite to speak? Alma **Why important?**
- Mosiah 25: 15-18 What did he speak about? What was effect? Repentance, faith, remember Lord delivered them; all wanted baptism
- Mosiah 25: 19-20 What did Mosiah authorized Alma to do; why? Establish churches, ordain priesthood; too many for one teacher
- Mosiah 25: 21-24 How did congregations remain united? All preached repentance and faith (basic gospel principles)
What can we learn to remain as “one” in worldwide church?

2- Many church members are led to sin by unbelievers

- Mosiah 26: 1-4 Why did many young adults not join church? What can older generations do to help youth?
- Mosiah 26: 6-8 What is leader’s responsibility to sinners? Give them an opportunity to repent, remove them from records
- Mosiah 26: 10-12,13 Whom did Alma consult about judging? Alma went to Mosiah, who gave back to Alma, who went to Lord
- Mosiah 26: 29-32 What did Lord tell Alma to do? Forgive those who repent and excommunicate those who do not
- Mosiah 27:1-5 How did King Mosiah handle complainers? Mosiah sent proclamation, not to persecute members
Are we persecuted? How can we handle persecution?

3- Alma the Younger and Sons of Mosiah are visited

- Mosiah 27:14 Why did Lord send angel to Alma? Prayers of people & Alma *Despite proclamation, some continued, including Mosiah’s 4 sons and one of Alma’s sons; powerful influence due to ease with words and sons of leaders*
- Supplement #2 Jeffery R. Holland *How and when does Lord answer these prayers?* *Can our trials and deliverance be of some future help to our children?*
- Mosiah 27:15-17 What did Lord tell Alma the younger? Stop, remember captivity and deliverance of fathers.....
- Mosiah 27: 18-19 What happened after angel departed? Became dumb and could not move
- Mosiah 27: 20 How did Alma respond to son’s experience? Rejoiced... Why?
- Alma 36: 17-18 What delivered Alma from suffering? (talking to son Helaman) He remembered father’s words
- Supplement #3 Ezra Taft Benson *Parents... persevere! There is hope*

4- Alama and sons of Mosiah dedicate themselves

- Mosiah 27: 32-37 What did Alma and Sons do after conversion? Read 35 / Preached word, tried to repair (but were also then persecuted) *How does this demonstrate conversion?*
- Mosiah 28: 1-3 Why did they want to preach to Lamanites? To bring them blessings of gospel
- Mosiah 28: 6-7 What did Lord promise Mosiah? They would be safe
- Supplement #4 Elder L. Tom Perry *circle of conversion; ourselves, our loved ones, our enemies*

How does this apply to me?

Mosiah 27:29 The Savior has snat

I remember reading about a fire fighter in the eastern United States who ran into a burning house to rescue several children from an arson-induced fire. While his colleagues battled the blaze to keep it from spreading to other structures in the neigh- boyhood, this man dashed into the building again and again, each time emerging with a child in his arms. After rescuing a fifth child, he started into the inferno once more. Neighbors shouted that there were no more children in the family. But he insisted that he had seen a baby in a cradle, and he dove into the intensifying heat. Moments after he disappeared into the fire and smoke, a horrifying explosion shook the building and the entire structure collapsed. It was several hours before fire fighters were able to locate their colleague’s body. They found him in the nursery near the crib, huddled protectively over a life-sized—and practically unscratched— doll. I’m overwhelmed by that story. I’m touched by the fire fighter’s courageous and selfless devotion to duty, and I’m thankful that there are men and women in the world who are willing to put their lives on the line for the sake of others.