

LESSON 23 ? Alma 8-12
"More Than One Witness"

(Objective: increase class understanding of redemption and witnesses)

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Alma 10:13-17	Why were lawyers unable to deceive Amulek?
Alma 10:22-23	What kept people from being destroyed?
Alma 10:12	Why were people astonished by Amulek?
Supplement #1	Two witnesses

3- Amulek contends with Zeezrom and testifies of Christ

Alma 11:1,20	How did judges earn money?
Alma 11:21-40	Amulek and Zeezrom gospel talk
Alma 11:40-45	What did Amulek preach at this time?
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Resurrection	Alma 11:41-42	Alma 12:24-25

Supplement #2

12 Questions for Chapter 12

(Verses)

- 1- 3-6 What does Satan desire and how does he work?
- 2- 9-11 How do our hearts affect our understanding of God?
- 3- 10 What blessings come to those who do not harden hearts?
- 4- 13-14 People who harden hearts will be condemned by what?
- 5- 14-18 What is state of those who do not repent and die in sins?
- 6- 16 What is a spiritual death??
- 7- 22-24 How did Alma describe the Fall of Adam?
- 8- 25-27 How did Adam describe the plan of redemption?
- 9- 28-34 What did Alma teach about the purpose of mortality?
- 10- 32 Why is it significant that "God gave commandments [to Adam and Eve] after having made known to them the plan of redemption"?
- 11- 31-32 When does justice overrule redemption??
- 12- 33-35 What did the Lord say about people with hard hearts?

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- Alma 8:10-13 How intense was Alma & what was response? Would this be a discouraging missionary experience?
- Alma 8:14-16 What happened as Alma left for city of Aaron? Weighed down with sorrow, not anger!
- Alma 8:15,18 What reason did Alma have to rejoice? How did he respond / "returned speedily" Would we?
- Alma 8:19-32 Alma meets Amulek..... summarized by Sister Blackham
- Alma 8:20,27 How did Lord prepare Amulek? Seen angel in a vision / tarried many days with Alma... why?
- Alma 9:2,5,6 Why did people continue to reject Alma? Only one man to testify?
- Alma 9:8-11 Alma said people had forgotten what? They forgot righteous traditions of fathers (Limhi and Alma escaping)
- Alma 9:14-15 What was Alma's warning? Why? What does Lord require of those who receive more?
- Alma 9:16-17 What promises are extended to Lamanites? How are those promises being fulfilled today? (many Lamanites in church)

What can we do to remember Lord's blessing?

2- Amulek preaches to the people of Ammonihah

- Alma 10:2-6 Who was Amulek and how was he called? Called many times... How many times has Lord called us?
- Alma 10:7-11 When was Amulek converted? Angel told him to expect Alma and Amulek obeyed
- Alma 10:13-17 Why were lawyers unable to deceive Amulek? This was his first door approach!
- Alma 10:22-23 What kept people from being destroyed? Can the prayers of a righteous people help our country?
- Alma 10:12 Why were people astonished by Amulek? More than one witness... Where were the other righteous?
- Supplement #1 Two witnesses Pairs who teach in church = missionaries, HT, VT, parents)

Chapter 11:1-20 talks about Nephite monetary system

3- Amulek contends with Zeezrom and testifies of Christ

- Alma 11:1,20 How did judges earn money? So why did they want to contend with Alma and Amulek?
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4- Alma further explains Amulek's words

- Supplement #2 12 Questions for Chapter 12
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How does this apply to me?

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