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2 Nephi 1-5

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~~Book of Mormon~~ We Lived after the Manner of Happiness
BoFM #6

Ch. 1 - Last week was Exodus, this week, Deuteronomy

Lehi's counsel to: Laman & Lemuel & sons of Ishmael

v. 4 - those in Jerusalem have been killed or carried away captive

v. 6 land = freedom

v. 9 Lehiite covenant (another "testament")

5 admonitions:

Awake: v. 13, 14, 23

Arise from dust: v. 14, 21, 23

Shake off chains: v. 13, 23

armor, obscurity: v. 23

Awake: Isaiah 29: 10 (7-18) sleep is like having no prophet

Arise from dust: Genesis 2:7 - man formed out of dust, breathed into him the breath of life.

adam - man

a - master or teacher, dam - blood

adama - earth

shake off chains: ~~Psalm~~ Psalm 68:6 - God frees prisoners and gives the solitary loved ones (judgment - righteous & wicked get what they've earned)

Armor of righteousness - Isaiah 59: 17 - the whole chapter talks about wicked Jews in Jerusalem, and God will put on his armor to bring justice and righteousness

obscurity: Isaiah 58:10 - charity is the way to turn darkness to light (also Is. 29:18)

also Zoram

advice to Jacob v. 16 act & not acted upon

Ch. 2: Amazing philosophical treatise on the meaning of Life, God's plan, and agency

v. 25 v. 11 - opposition in all things

Donna's question: Jacob is already a prophet (4 yrs. old?) we see what greater truths can be revealed to a prepared audience

Questions:

Jason - why is 1 and 2 Nephi separated? why two books?

Bella - Abrahamic vs. New & Ever! cov't

Donna Adam & Eve, children

Charlie Bloodlines

Ch. 3 prophecy of Joseph, Moses, Christ, Joseph Smith
advice to Joseph
chiasmic chapter

Charles's question

Ch 4. advice to children of Laman & Lemuel, Ishmael, Sam - Did this talk work?
Who is missing? Nephi Sariah
v. 12 Lehi dies
v. 14 Nephi constrained to speak to them
Jacob 1:13 - some of every household followed Nephi

17-35 Psalm of Nephi
Hebrew poetry

David wrote his psalms as a prayer to God for courage when he would have otherwise despaired because the king (Saul) wanted to kill him. He was vulnerable and raw, and so is Nephi.

Ch. 5. Nephi & co. depart, take plates, sword, Liahona
v. 16 Nephi builds a temple. - not much mention until king Benjamin & then not much until Christ appears.
→ how scary must it have been to depart? How did they find out who wanted to come?

v. 20 - Laman & Lemuel
Cut off from God

v. 27 - we lived after the manner of happiness -
hard work - build temple - God-centered society
Liahona - guided by the spirit
plates of brass - led by the word
sword of Laban - willing to defend rights