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2 Nephi 26-30

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A Marvelous Work & A Wonder

Ch 26 Prophecy of the days of Christ's life & ministry & how it will be experienced among the Nephites.

- great destruction of the wicked, Nephi sorrows
- He will appear to the righteous among them
- Jews and Gentiles must be convinced of calling (and divinity) of Jesus
- Apostasy of Lamanites in last days, and apostasy of the world in General
- Wickedness & secret combinations

Ch 27: Compare Isaiah 29 - one of the chapters Lehi quoted in 2 Nephi 1 (according to my theory) (v.5 - deep sleep)

v. 1-4 chiasmus missing in Isaiah is present here.

Loose correlation after that - strong evidence of two things:

- 1) Nephi had a copy of Isaiah with this chiasmus still in it, or was comfortable enough w/ chiasmus to create his own
- 2) Nephi was comfortable changing Isaiah's words to fit his topic

Powerful prophecies about translation & publication of BoFM
Marvelous work & wonder = everyone gets a chance to hear, and then justice comes upon all

Ch. 28 Prophecy of religious revival in Joseph's day. ~~Read~~ Saints.

- false doctrine that miracles ceased
- Pride rules the practice of religion

Satan's 3 strategies: ① stir up to anger against that which is good (v. 20)
② pacify, all is well in Zion (v 21)
③ there is ~~no~~ hell, I am no devil (v 22)

It is pride which causes people to reject (on principle) more of the word of God

"line upon line" comes from Isaiah 28

Ch 29 Read Note about prayer (v 1-2)

Reaction of those who have the Bible when they hear about BofM

our proper attitude toward the Jews for the Bible: gratitude

God remembers all nations. One of the great "proofs" of the BofM is the logic in this chapter (v. 8-13)

Ch 30 (v 1-2) God's covenants are extended to those who are willing to keep them, not because of race or lineage (God is able from these stones to raise up seed unto Abraham)

v 3 → what of those who accept the BofM?

v. 9 smite the earth w/ the rod of his mouth - ~~R~~ Apocalypse language

Extended quotations of 2 Isaiah Chapters: 11 & 65

11 is the "Branch" prophecy

65 New Jerusalem

w/ Nephi, as with Isaiah, the timeline of the last days is compressed