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Alma 8-12

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Jesus Christ Will Come to Redeem His People

Mission of Alma
Zereshemla
Gideon

BoFM #23

Ch 8

10th year → Melek → they came to him from all the borders of the land

Ammonihah

we do not believe in your foolish traditions

reviled him

spit upon him

cast him out

Angel → first messenger

↳ Now, he enlists Alma to carry the message he himself once carried
except they repent, they will be destroyed

• They are studying how to destroy the liberty of the Nephites

Alma & Ammonihah - parallels & contrasts

v. 20 "I am a Nephite:" Amulek is not talking about his allegiance, but his tribe
6 times mentions food ~~is~~ in 8 verses (19-26)

31 - "they had power given to them" - couldn't be confined
- didn't exercise it until they were confined

Ch 9 switches to 1st person

we won't believe, even if you say } the earth will pass away
God will destroy this city in one day
- both things which come to pass

v. 6 "who is God?" may have meant: who is Jehovah, in contrast to some other Gods?
as in the OT

Messages to Ammonihahites:

God's delivering of our fathers
Lehite covenant

More tolerable for Lamanites

You don't have the protection of Lehi's blessing or Laman's seed

Jesus Christ will come soon - resurrection and judgment

Twice the ~~words~~ people "tried" to lay hands on him, and twice they don't do it. Why?

Ch 10

v. 2 → Aminadi → interpreted the writing on the wall of the temple
this episode is referenced without any explanation from Mormon
~~that~~ wouldn't this be because he already told the story?

v 7 again mentions food

Amulek is called to repentance as Alma was - by an angel

v 11 Amulek describes his family, hints they have been converted
v 13-24 Amulek vs Lawyers — they have been blessed by Alma's visit

They try to trap him → he perceives their thoughts

v. 31, 32 ch 11 1-3, (20) → read
describing an agitator class

The lawyers and judges only get paid when there is contention,
conflict, disagreement, bitterness, drama, and crime

Because they were not a moral people, this is a terrible formula
six ooties → 2 months' wages ~ \$20,000 - \$30,000
Amulek spots his lie

~~some~~ Christ will save his people from their sins (vs) in their sins
Zeezron deliberately misunderstands him, and changes the meaning
of words → he thrives on creating outrage

It isn't Amulek reading his mind that causes Zeezron to tremble, it's
his talk of resurrection & restoration

Ch 12 - or is it? Zeezron's questions are concerning judgment

final state → either we: understand all mysteries of God, or
know nothing of his mysteries

our knowledge of mysteries (the word being found in us) determines our fate

v. 12-18 final penalty for sin is perfect knowledge of it — this is hell

v. 21-37 discourse on: The fall, justice, the plan of redemption,
the reason for revelation, the purpose of death, (probationary state temp
of dying in sin ^{orary)}