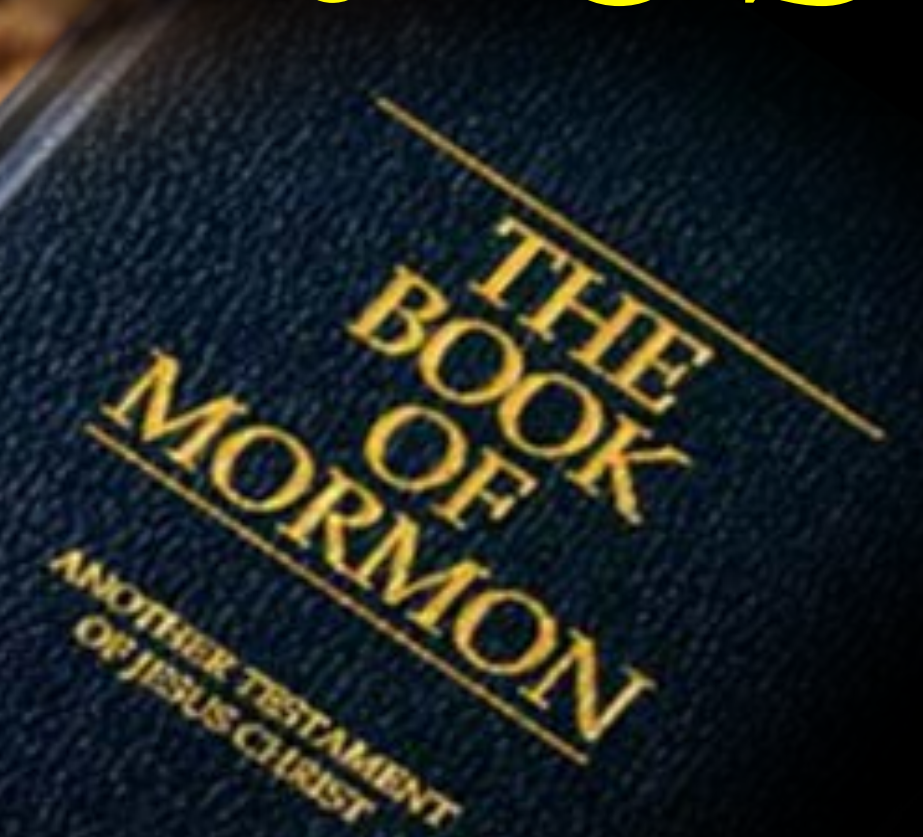


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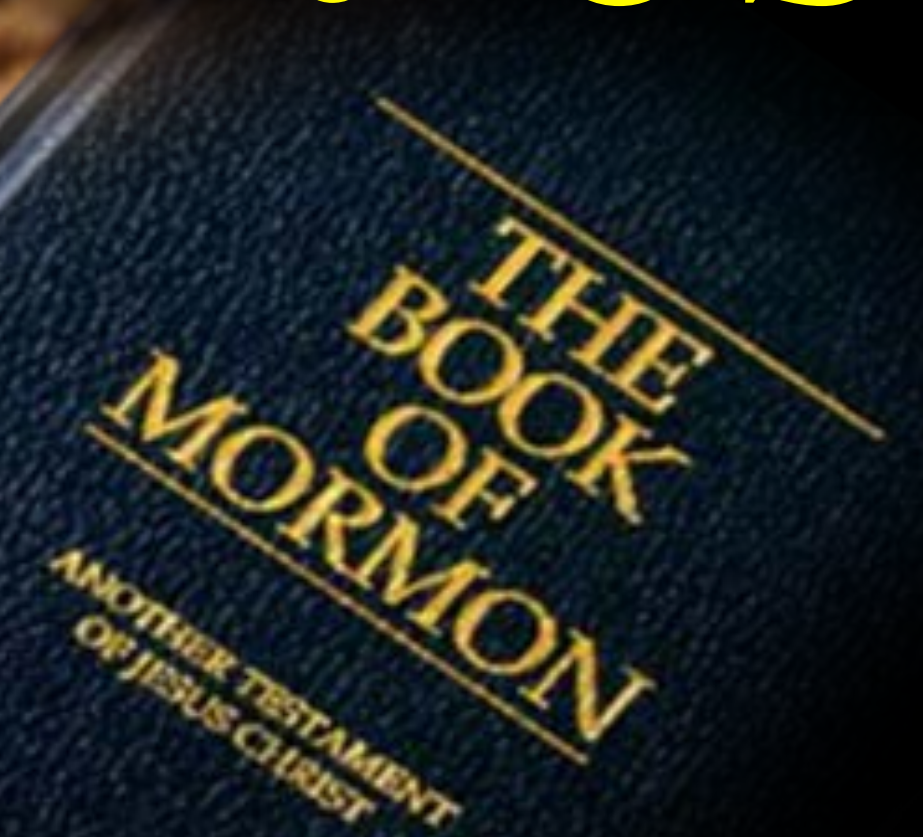


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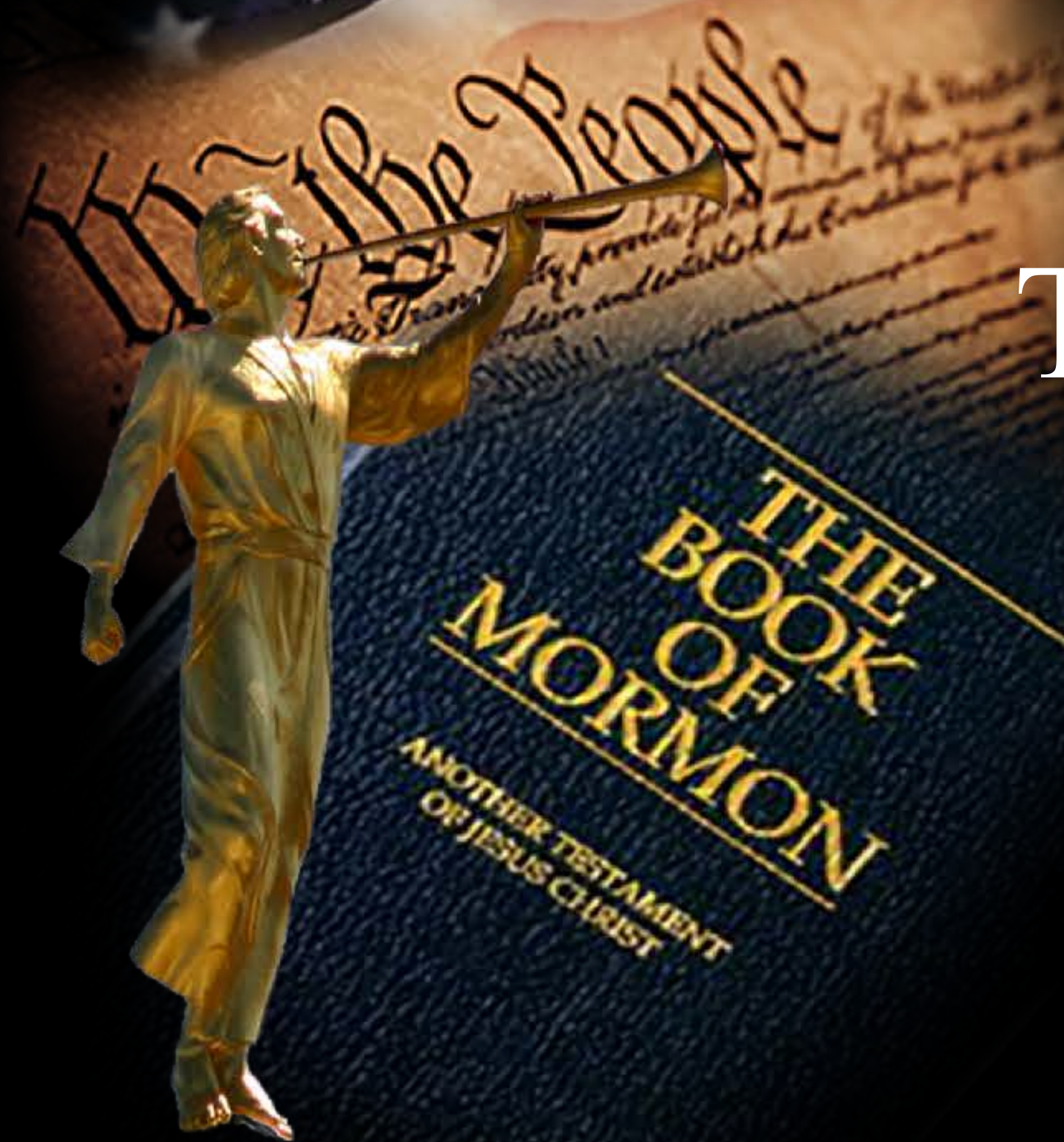
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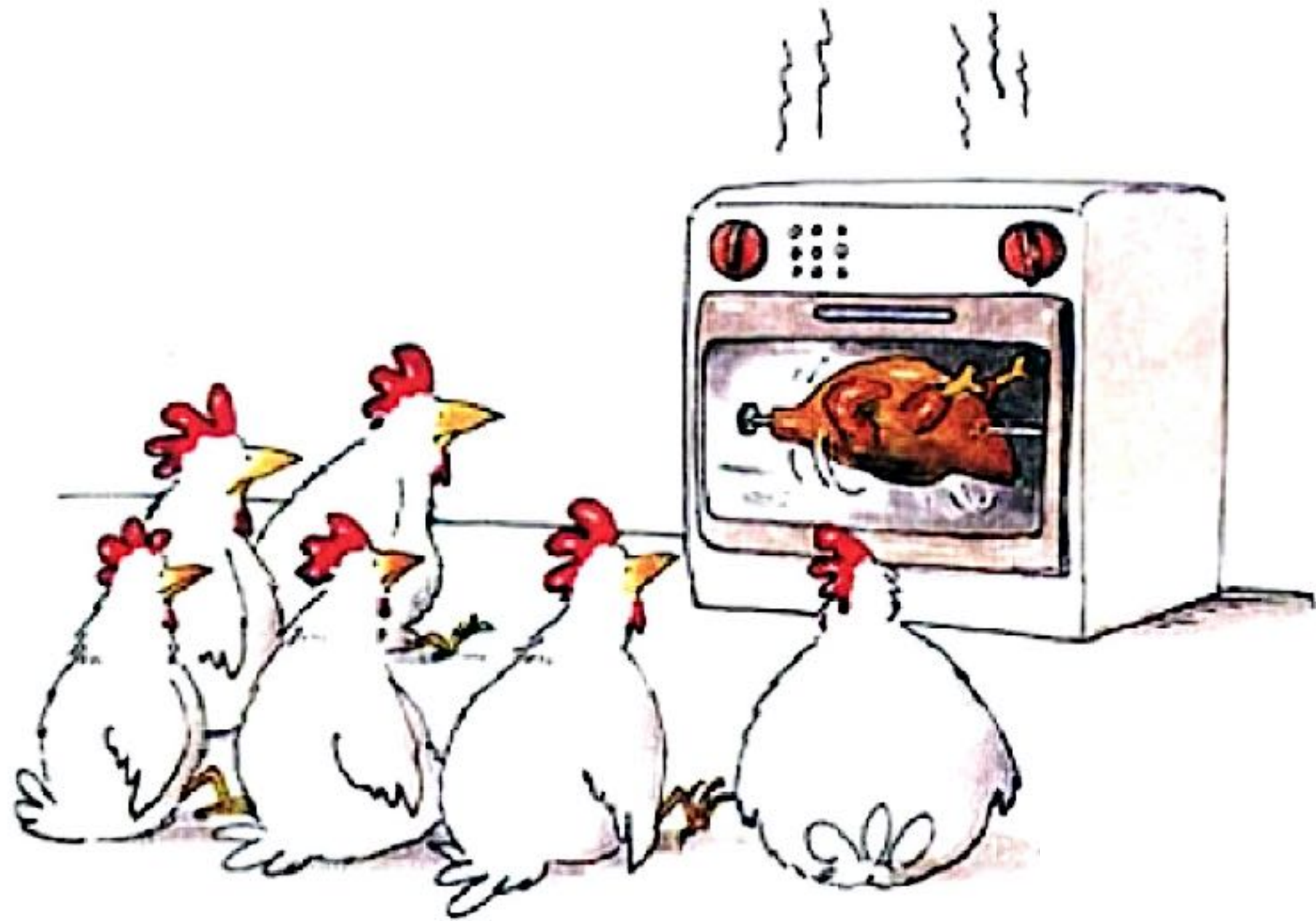
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The Promised Land



Reality



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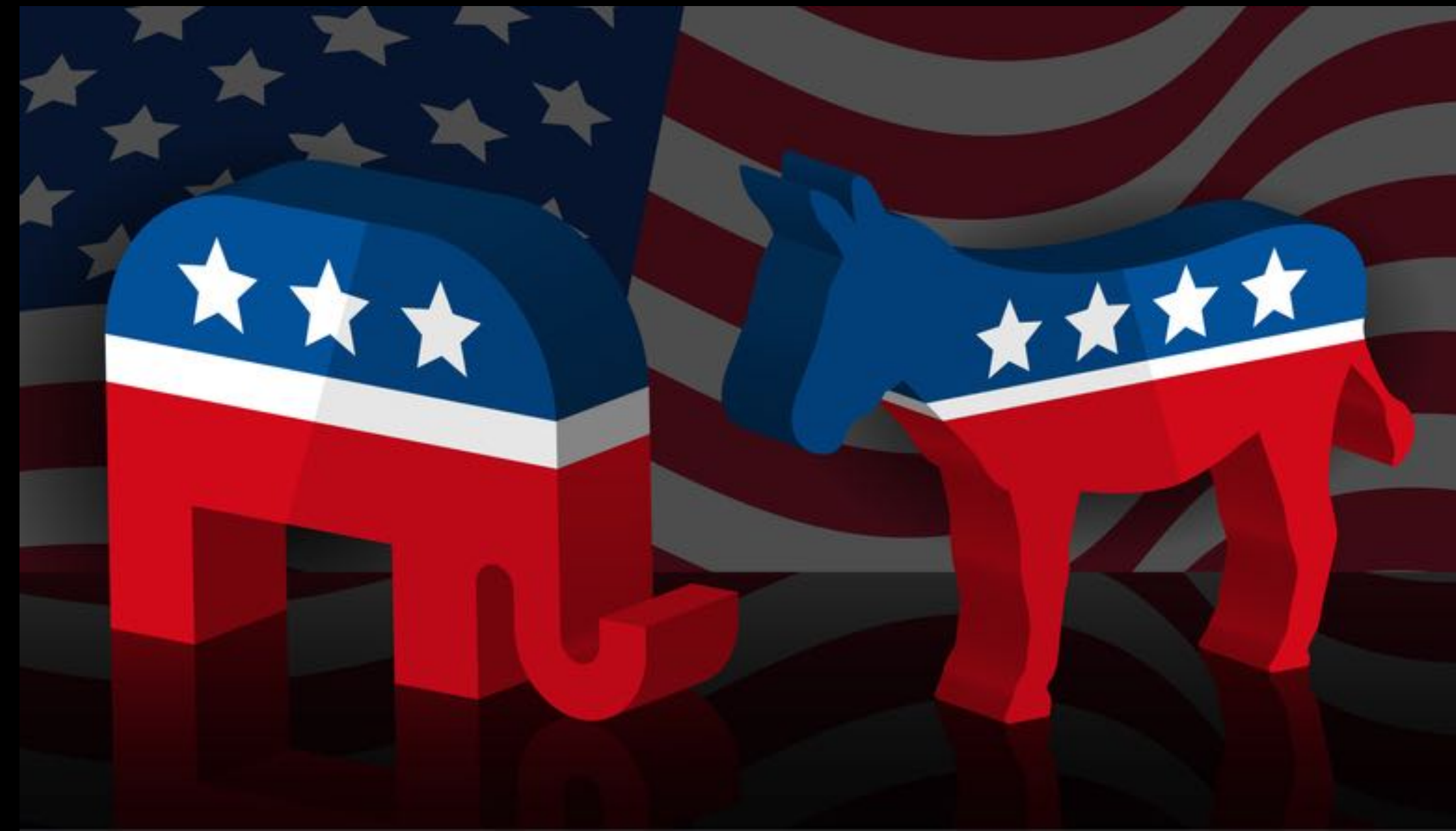
Looking Back to See the Future

When it comes to the subject of ‘Religion’ and ‘Politics’ the Standard of scripture should be the source one relies for answers. Likewise, the scriptures should be the eschatological source to understand the events (temporal and political) that lead up to the Second Coming. The political and religious (spiritual) nature of men and nations can be seen in history and therefore expected in the present and predicted for the future because ‘*the nature and constitution of man hasn’t changed since the beginning*’ (TPJS). The “natural man is an enemy to God and always will be unless...”



In the minds of many members there is a total 'disconnect' between scripture and daily life in general. This is especially true when it comes to political philosophy.

Many today identify themselves more with the color of Red or Blue or a Donkey or Elephant than they do with Jesus Christ and the Work and Glory of God



The secular or temporal anxieties usually supersede the scriptural and spiritual concerns in all faiths. It is thought by many that historical and political content found throughout scripture is predominantly just that: historical— rather than *insights provided by God through prophetic inspiration.—*

A Promised Land of Freedom

A Promised Land of Freedom

(2 Ne.1:6-7)

6 Wherefore, I, Lehi, prophesy according to the workings of the Spirit which is in me, that there shall none come into this land save they shall be brought by the hand of the Lord.

7 Wherefore, this land is consecrated unto him whom he shall bring. And if it so be that they shall serve him according to the commandments which he hath given, **it shall be a land of liberty unto them;**

A Promised Land of Freedom

(2 Ne. 10:10-12)

But behold, this land, said God, shall be a land of thine inheritance, and the Gentiles shall be blessed upon the land.

And **this land shall be a land of liberty** unto the Gentiles, and there shall be no kings upon the land, who shall raise up unto the Gentiles.

And I will fortify this land against all other nations.

A Promised Land of Freedom

(Eth. 2:12)

Behold, *this is a choice land, and whatsoever nation shall possess* ***it shall be free from*** ***bondage, and from captivity,*** *and from all other nations under heaven, if...*

A Promised Land of Freedom

(D&C 10:48-51)

50 And thus they did leave a blessing upon this land in their prayers...

51 Yea, that **it might be free unto all** of whatsoever nation, kindred, tongue, or people they may be.

2 Ne. 4:4

4 For the Lord God hath said that: Inasmuch as ye shall keep my commandments ye shall prosper in the land; **and inasmuch as ye will not keep my commandments ye shall be cut off from my presence.**

Mosiah 2:22, 31

22 And behold, all that he requires of you is to keep his commandments; and he has promised you that if ye would keep his commandments ye should prosper in the land; and he never doth vary from that which he hath said; therefore, if ye do keep his commandments he doth bless you and prosper you.

31 ...if ye shall keep the commandments of God which shall be delivered unto you by him, ye shall prosper in the land, and your enemies shall have no power over you.



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**Why Must
The Promised Land
Be Free?**

3 Nephi 21:4-6

“For it is wisdom in the Father that they (Gentiles) should be established in this land,

and **be set up as a free people** *by the power of the Father, that these things* (The Book of Mormon) **might come forth from them**”



The Gentile Nation on the Promised Land

“...the Gentiles will be **set up as a free people** *by the power of the Father,* **that these things**
(The Book of Mormon) **might come forth from**
them”

Freedom Exist in the Promised Land (United States) for the Purpose of, Fullness of, and the proclamation of, The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Not just for our convenience.

What will happen if the
Gentiles on The
Promised Land Reject
Christ and the Gospel
Responsibility?

The Church, The Gospel, and The Government

The Political Freedoms
of the Promised Land
CANNOT be separated
from faith and religion.

The Church, The Gospel, and The Government

It is not the purpose of the Church to save China from Communism or Russia from Marxism. The responsibility of the Church is to spiritually save, through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Chinese, the Russians, and every Jew and Gentile.

The responsibility of The Church is not to save America, but to save Americans

The Church, The Gospel, and The Government

...wherefore, *the Gentiles shall be blessed and numbered among the house of Israel.*

...for it is a choice land, saith God unto me, above all other lands, *wherefore I will have all men that dwell thereon that they shall worship me, saith God.*

(2 Nephi 10:9- 12, 16, 18, 19)

The Church, The Gospel, and The Government

And now, we can behold **the decrees of God concerning this land**, that **it is a land of promise**; and whatsoever nation shall possess **it shall serve God, or they shall be swept off** when the fulness of his wrath shall come upon them. . .

For behold, **this is a land** which is choice **above all other lands**; wherefore he that doth **possess it shall serve God or shall be swept off**; for **it is the everlasting decree of God...**

Ether 2:9, 10

The Church, The Gospel and The Government

7 Wherefore, **this land is consecrated** unto him whom he shall bring. **And if it so be that they shall serve him according to the commandments which he hath given, it shall be a land of liberty** unto them; wherefore, they shall never be brought down into captivity; if so, it shall be because of iniquity; for if iniquity shall abound **cursed shall be the land for their sakes**, but unto the righteous it shall be blessed forever. (2 Ne. 1:7)

Political freedoms held sacred, *CANNOT* be separated from faith and religion.

“And he had sworn in his wrath unto the brother of Jared, that whoso should possess this land of promise, *from that time henceforth and forever,* should serve him, the true and only God, or they should be swept off when the fulness of his wrath should come upon them”

(Ether 2:8)

3-Intrinsic Messages of the Book of Mormon

The Gospel of Jesus Christ

A Record of a Fallen People

**The Deed Restrictions or CC&R's
to The Promised Land**

11 And this cometh unto you, O ye Gentiles, that ye may know the decrees of God—that ye may repent, and not continue in your iniquities (the Gospel) until the fulness come, that ye may not bring down the fulness of the wrath of God upon you as the inhabitants of the land have hitherto done. (a record of a fallen people)

12 Behold, *this is a choice land*, and whatsoever nation shall possess it shall be free from bondage, and from captivity, and from all other nations under heaven, if they will but serve the God of the land, who is Jesus Christ, (deed restrictions) who hath been manifested by the things which we have written.

(Ether 2:11-12)

To Whom are the Messages Directed

The Gospel of Jesus Christ

A Record of a Fallen People

The Deed Restrictions of
The Promised Land



World



Members



**Those Living on
the Promised Land**

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Ether 2:12

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Ether 2:12



“We are no longer a Christian Nation”

Barak Obama

When those on the Promised Land Reject

‘the God of the land who is Jesus Christ’

What should be expected?

The Covenant Promise Throughout The Book of Mormon

*is prosperity and freedom
with restrictions*

“whatsoever nation shall possess it (The Promised Land) shall serve God, or they shall be swept off when the fulness of his wrath shall come.”

Ether 2:9

24. . . how often would I have gathered you together as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, but ye would not!

25. How oft have I called upon you by the mouth of my servants, and by the ministering of angels, and by mine own voice, and by the voice of thunderings, and by the voice of lightnings, and by the voice of tempests, and by the voice of earthquakes, and great hailstorms, and by the voice of famines and pestilences of every kind. . . but ye would not!

26. Behold, the day has come, when the cup of the wrath of mine indignation is full.

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Global Warming?

Responsibilities of the People

Kings and Leaders

King Mosiah teaches that the sins of the people are answered upon the head of a king or leader that is not chosen by the 'voice of the people'

31 For behold I say unto you, the sins of many people have been caused by the iniquities of their kings; therefore their iniquities are answered upon the heads of their kings.

Mosiah 29:31

26 Now it is not common that the voice of the people desireth anything contrary to that which is right; but **it is common for the lesser part of the people to desire that which is not right; therefore this shall ye observe and make it your law—to do your business by the voice of the people.**

27 And if the time comes that the voice of the people doth choose iniquity, then is the time that the judgments of God will come upon you; yea, then is the time he will visit you with great destruction even as he has hitherto visited this land.

Mosiah 29:26-27

Kings and Elected Leaders

“...therefore this shall ye observe and make it your law—to do your business by the voice of the people.”

(Mosiah 29:30)

Democracy

Democracy

...the Gentiles shall be blessed upon the land. And **this land shall be a land of liberty** unto the Gentiles, and **there shall be no kings upon the land**, who shall raise up unto the Gentiles.

2 Ne 10:11

...And **for this purpose have I established the Constitution of this land**, by the hands of wise men whom I raised up unto this very purpose, *That every man may act in doctrine and principle pertaining to futurity, according to the moral agency which I have given unto him*, that **every man may be accountable for his own sins** in the day of judgment.


(D&C 101:78-80)

Kings and Elected Leaders

In a Democracy where leaders are chosen by the ‘voice of the people,’ *the sins of the nation are answered upon the heads of all the citizens not just the voting masses*

30 “... *I command you to do these things, and that ye have no king; that if these people commit sins and iniquities they shall be answered upon their own heads.*”

(Mosiah 29:26)



“We shall build the Zion of the Lord in peace until the servants of that Lord shall begin to lay the foundation of a great and high watch Tower and then shall they begin to say within themselves, *what need hath my Lord of this tower seeing this is a time of peace &c.* Then the Enemy shall come as a thief in the night and scatter the servants abroad. When the seed of these 12 Olive trees are scattered abroad they will wake up the Nations of the whole Earth. *Even this Nation will be on the very verge of crumbling to pieces and tumbling to the ground and when the constitution is upon the brink of ruin this people will be the Staff upon which the Nation shall lean and they shall bear the constitution away from the very verge of destruction.*’

The Historians Corner, *BYU Studies*, vol. 19
(1978-1979), Number 3 - Spring 1979, p. 390.

Apathy: The first step to Apostasy

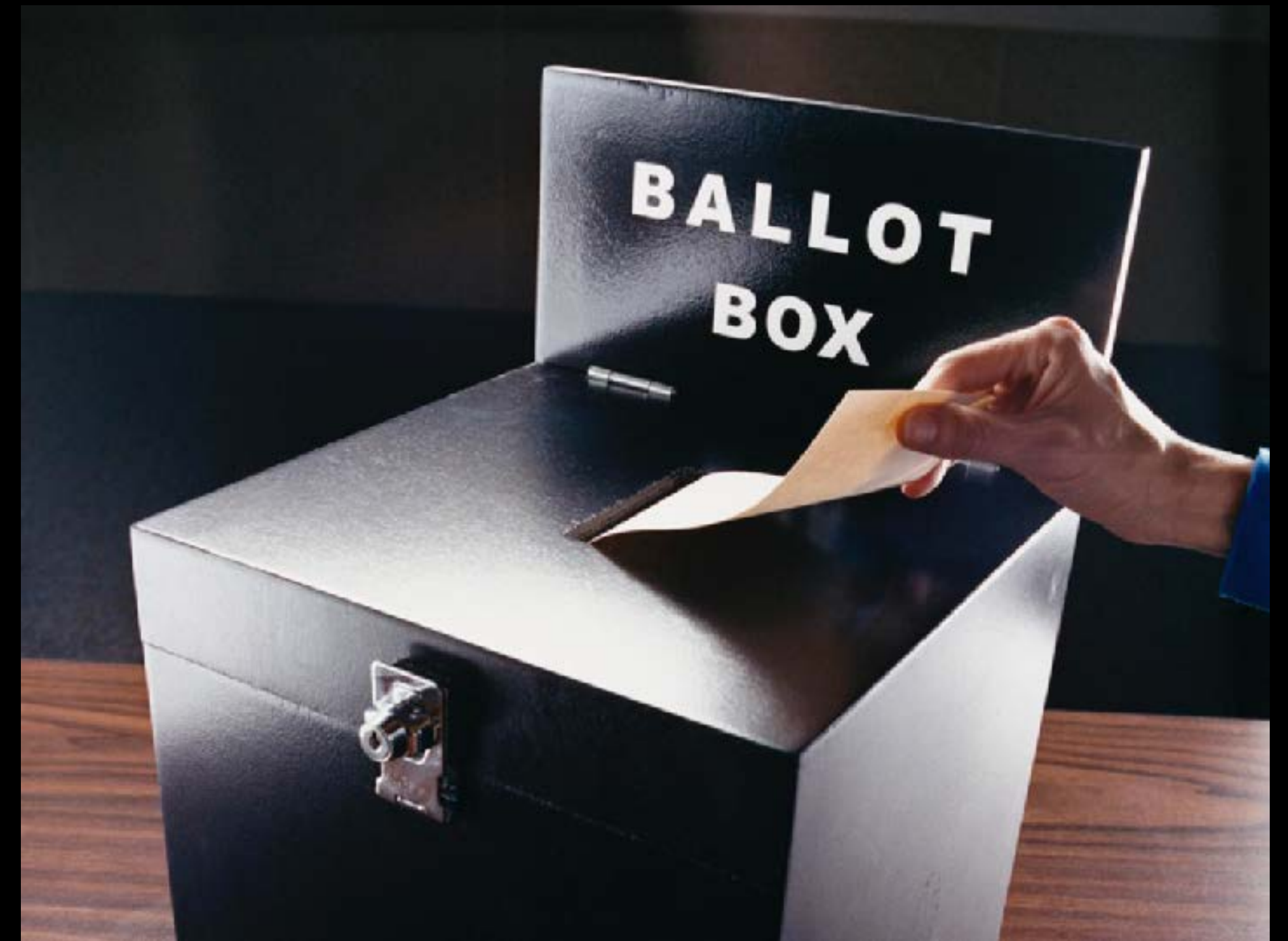
21 And others will he pacify, and lull them away into carnal security, that they will say: All is well in Zion; yea, Zion prospereth, all is well

—and thus the devil cheateth their souls, and leadeth them away carefully down to hell.



The voice of the majority is usually righteous,

IF— they actually use their voice.



The righteous ... may not be the majority that voices their opinion by vote.

Utah Voting Statistics

Out of 50 States, voter turnout

2010 — 48th

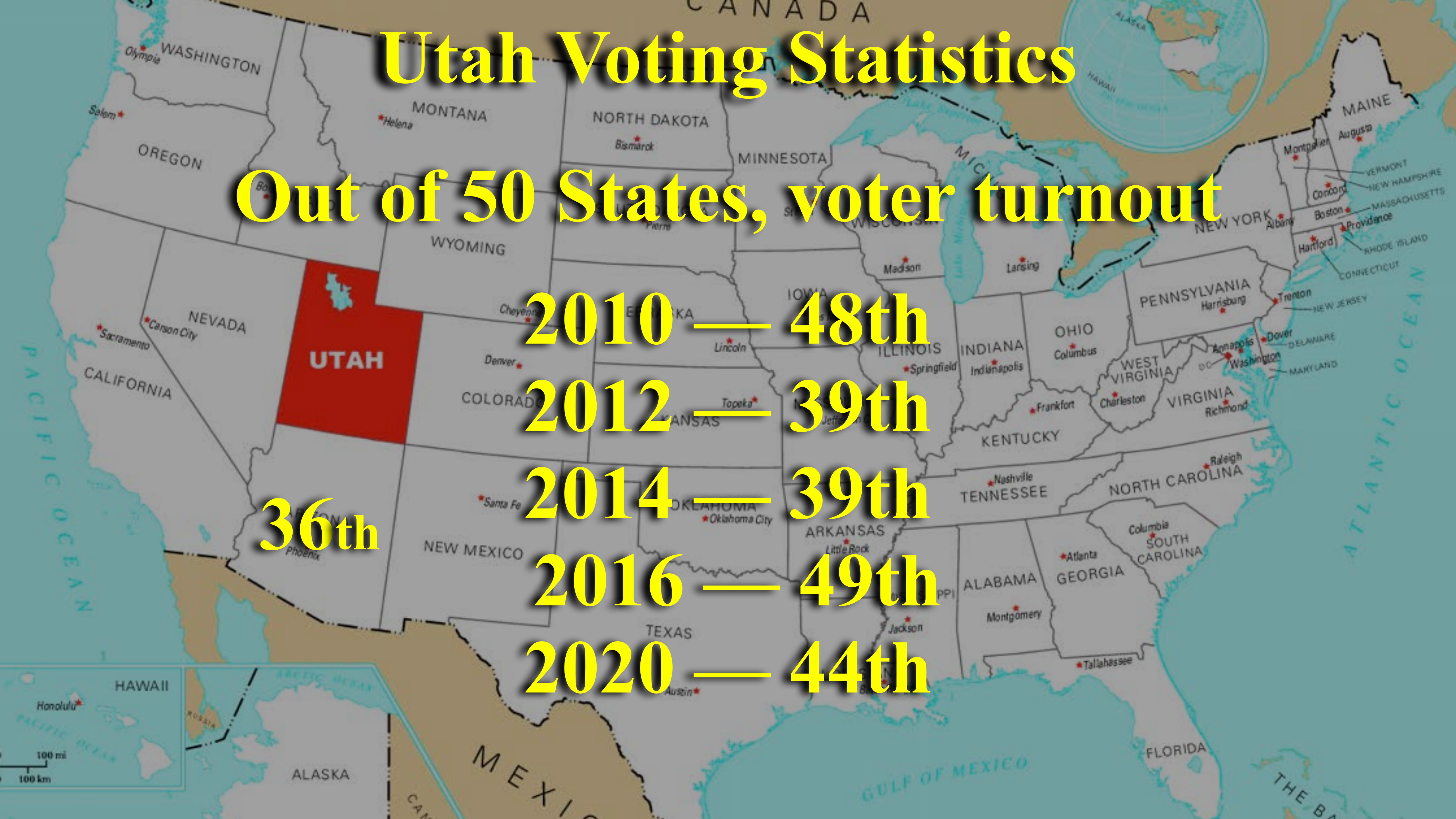
2012 — 39th

2014 — 39th

2016 — 49th

2020 — 44th

36th



Helaman explains that:

“as their laws and their governments were established by the voice of the people, and they who chose evil were more numerous than they who chose good, therefore they were ripening for destruction, for the laws had become corrupted”

(Helaman 5:2).



21 Now there were many of the people who were exceedingly angry ... and **those who were angry were chiefly the chief judges, and they who had been high priests and lawyers;** yea, all those who were lawyers were angry with those who testified of these things. (righteous truths)

(3 Nephi 6:21)



27 ...those judges had *many friends and kindreds*; and the remainder, yea, even *almost all the lawyers and the high priests*, did gather themselves together, and unite with the kindreds of those judges ...

28 And they did enter into a covenant one with another, yea, even into *that covenant ... to combine* against all righteousness.

29 Therefore they did *combine* against the people of the Lord, and enter into a covenant to destroy them ...

30 And *they did set at defiance the law and the rights of their country; and they did covenant one with another to destroy the governor*, and to establish a king over the land, that the land should no more be at liberty but should be subject unto kings.

The Goals of Secret Oaths and Combinations

Moroni states multiple times that the purpose of these secret combinations were not just for the sake of plunder or individual wickedness

Many “...turned out of the way of righteousness, and did **trample under their feet the commandments of God...**” (Heleman 6:31)

The Goals of Political Oaths and Combinations

“...because of their secret murders and combinations; for it was they that did **destroy the peace of my people and *the government of the land...***” (3 Nephi 9:9)

“...buildeth it up ***seeketh to overthrow the freedom of all lands, nations, and countries;*** and it bringeth to pass the destruction of all people...” (Ether 8:25)

“overthrow the kingdom” (Ether 9:1)

and that some “...adopted the old plans, and administered oaths after the manner of the ancients, and ***sought again to destroy the kingdom***” (Ether 10:33).

22 And whatsoever nation shall uphold such secret combinations, to get power and gain, until they shall spread over the nation, behold, they shall be destroyed...

23 Wherefore, O ye Gentiles, *it is wisdom in God that these things should be shown unto you*, that thereby ye may repent of your sins, and suffer not that these murderous combinations shall get above you, which are built up to get power and gain—and the work, yea, even the work of destruction come upon you, yea, even the sword of the justice of the Eternal God shall fall upon you, to your overthrow and destruction *if ye shall suffer these things to be.*

(Ether 8:22-23)



24 Wherefore, *the Lord commandeth you, when ye shall see these things come among you that ye shall awake to a sense of your awful situation, because of this secret combination which shall be among you; or wo be unto it, because of the blood of them who have been slain ...*

25 For it cometh to pass *that whoso buildeth it up seeketh to overthrow the freedom of all lands, nations, and countries; and it bringeth to pass the destruction of all people, for it is built up by the devil, who is the father of all lies...*

(Ether 8:22-25)

How do these combinations
“seduce” the public to obtain
power over the people and then
the government?

The Political Platform of the Gadianton Party

Secret Oaths and Combinations

38...beginning at the more wicked part of them, until they ...*seduced the more part of the righteous* until they had come down *to believe in their works and partake of their spoils*... **SOCIAL ENTITLEMENTS**

39 And thus *they did obtain the sole management of the government,*

40 And thus we see that they were in an awful state, and *ripening for an everlasting destruction.*

(Heleman 6:38-40)

The Righteous are seduced by the promise of the spoils taken from the masses. It is natural for people to vote selfishly rather than righteously. People tend to vote (choose) for what they are promised to receive individually, rather than vote for the potentials and prosperity of choice.

Satan, the first socialist, focused on the selfishness of personal possession and acquisition. He knew of the tendencies of the 'natural man' to take the easy way without thought, effort or responsibility. The offer of Christ and The Gospel focused on the potentials of success and failure that choice brings, as one works for their happiness and exaltation.

The government that promises to give
everything to you,
must at the same time,
have the power to take everything
from you.

A third part of heaven chose to lose their freedom, to sell that which was sacred (*agency*) for the promised security of salvation. To accomplish this selfish salvation; the agency, or life of the soul would need to be stripped from humanity making all slaves to the taskmaster of supposed security. This is why a third part were cast out, they wanted no responsibility that would come with the accountability of a second estate. Thus, Satan 'sought to destroy the agency of man'.

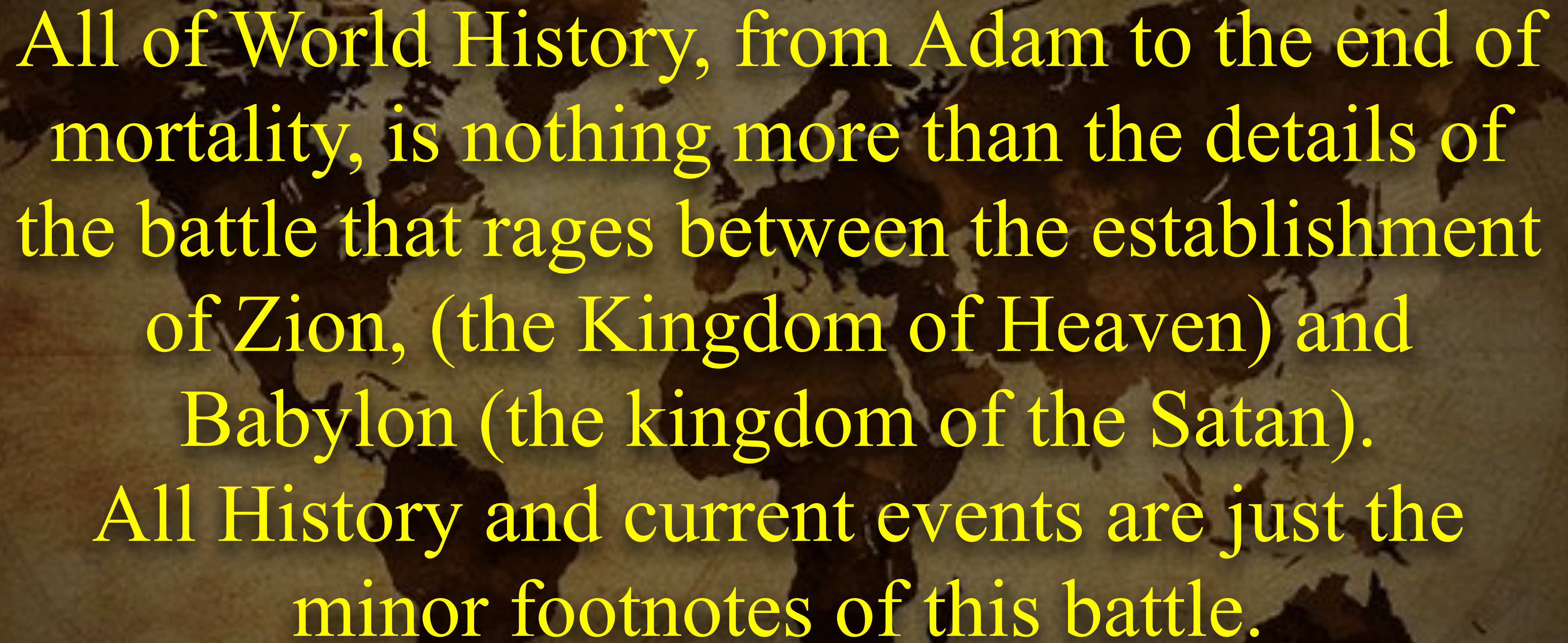
The promise that 'not one soul would be lost' could only be accomplished by force and control without the freedom and choice of the individual. Without agency there is no existence.
(D&C 93:30)

The Korihorian philosophies of the anti-Christ have become political platforms that will use words like: “choice, rights, tolerance”, turning sins into civil rights declaring that “whatsoever a man does is no crime or sin” and subtly echo the lying words of the serpent... ‘you shall not surly die’

The war in heaven was initiated by Lucifer in the cry of ‘guaranteed salvation’ in the promise that

“not one soul shall be lost”

This could only take place with the elimination of faith in God and the loss of the agency of man



All of World History, from Adam to the end of mortality, is nothing more than the details of the battle that rages between the establishment of Zion, (the Kingdom of Heaven) and Babylon (the kingdom of the Satan). All History and current events are just the minor footnotes of this battle.

Our lives, actions, words, works and thoughts. Our desires and character are but sub-plots-in-time in that same battle between Babylon and Zion

The goal of every prophet since Adam has been to establish Zion and all but two have failed because of the strength of Babylon's enticements to the natural man.

Politics

Religion

Lukewarm
is
believing
you can
have one
foot in
Babylon
and the
other in
Zion

	Satan/Babylon	God/Zion
Motive	Gain	Consecration
Justification	Competition	Love
Method	Violence	Upheavals of Nature
Virtue	Denial of Guilt	Repentance
Knowledge	Control of Truth and Knowledge	Seek for Light and Truth
Power	Compulsion	Free Agency and Choice

There are only two Masters:

God and Mammon

serve only one

There are only two Churches:

The Church of the Lamb of God and the Church of the Devil

belong to one

There are only two Philosophies

Zion and Babylon

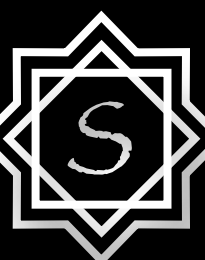
can choose only one

Christ said: we are either “for Him or against Him”

Church and State

We often hear of the phrase, 'separation of church and state'. Each have their own intrinsic authority. The state has a *function to perform* concerning the *overt actions* of an individual within society, and the church has a *function to provide* for the individual's *covert spirituality* of the heart and mind in their relationship to God and community of believers.

CHURCH & STATE





In our day the concept of '*the separation of state and church*' has come to mean for social progressives '*the separation of state and God*' or separating the populous from the influences of God and the church. This type of government believes that the state should rule autonomously on the basis of its own intrinsic authority. Socialism and Communism cannot co-exist with an authority greater than that of itself. This type of political philosophy becomes an '*anti-Christ*'.





There are two concepts when it comes to government control. They are “*authority and jurisdiction*”. Each of these have limitations in authority to govern within a given jurisdiction.

There is a Federal Government, State Government, County Government, City Government, Neighborhood or Homeowners associations and then there is the fundamental jurisdiction of the home or family with parental authority, and finally the adult individual. Each of these have freedom and authority within their jurisdiction, if not infringing on the rights of other citizens in any other jurisdiction. Governments exist to protect the most fundamental and important jurisdiction of the castle-home. Governments should protect the authority of the parents to determine what is best for their family and children temporally and spiritually.

History has proven that a government authority that *does not have as its primary goal, the protection of the citizens rights to life, property, betterment of life and happiness* (the castle-home) will seek to gain control and exercise authority beyond the realms of their jurisdiction.

Thomas Jefferson

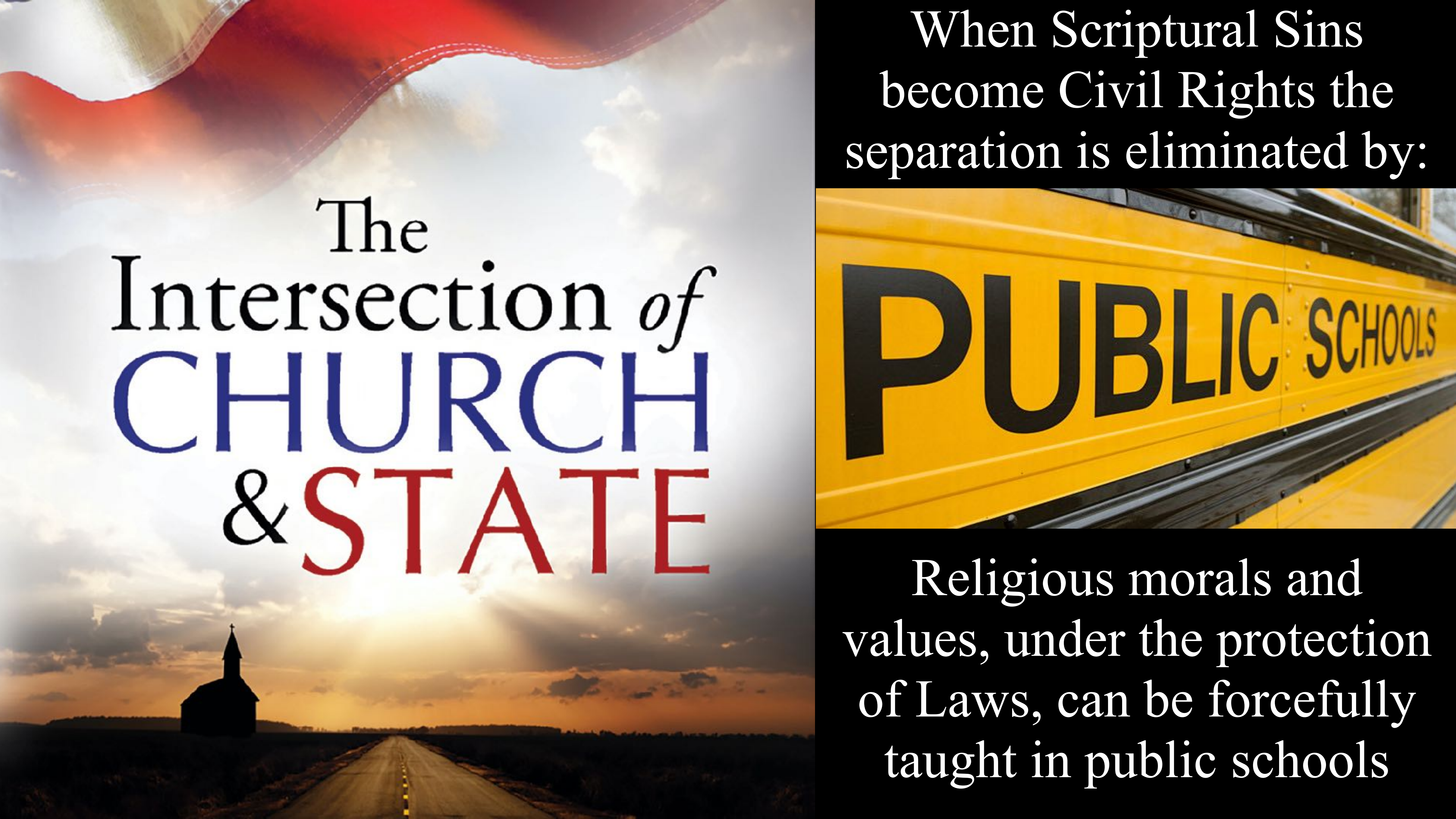


Erecting the 'wall of separation between church and state'... is absolutely essential in a free society.

“authority and jurisdiction”

Parents have the authority to control their citizen-children within the jurisdiction of the home, what they eat, where they sleep, what they are taught, what faith will be embraced, what values and morals are taught and observed.

This parental authority and jurisdiction is a threat to those who want radical change and total control



The
Intersection *of*
CHURCH
& **STATE**

When Scriptural Sins
become Civil Rights the
separation is eliminated by:



PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Religious morals and
values, under the protection
of Laws, can be forcefully
taught in public schools

When Scriptural Sins become Civil Rights then Religious Freedom is lost. When a government creates laws and policies, or public schools begin to teach anything **contrary to one's religious morals, views, values and specific religious texts**, then the school, state or government has crossed that line, and is no longer separated from the church. Government creates a "State Religion" by publicly teaching politically motivated morals, values and lifestyles *(contrary to one's faith and scripture)*. In doing so they have taken that step to subtly strip religious freedom from the populous, creating a 'state religion' and a belief system to influence the rising generation.

The goal of money and power is always more power and more money. Over time governments will try to exercise authority and control over all lesser jurisdictions for the increase of money and power. **This is seen as federal, state and local governments and their bureaucracies seek to usurp parental authority in the jurisdiction of the home.** This they do by the control of what the members of the home-jurisdiction are taught, what morals and values they are to have, what they should or should not eat. What to believe and who to trust.

Children are taught in public schools, political philosophy and what morals and values are acceptable, thus, eliminating parental and religious values. The youth are then given and guaranteed the freedoms to exercise government chosen values and morals *without the parents control or knowledge*. The goal is to separate the members of the family from the jurisdiction of the castle-home, parental authority, family values, traditions and beliefs. Adjusting the reliance and allegiance of the rising generation to government authority and progressive political values.

The thrust of evil is the education of the youth. *Satan's greatest fear is that individuals will believe the scriptures to be a standard of truth and light.* His goal is to keep parents and children from the truth at all costs, creating distractions and doubt in the scriptural standard. (BoM)

The Gospel is new to every generation, therefore; the youth are always the targets of change.

Joshua, Mosiah, 3 Nephi 1, Christ
Third and fourth Generation



The Philosophy

“He alone, who owns the youth, gains the future.”

— *Adolf Hitler* —

The Implementation of the Philosophy

“If the older generation can not get accustomed to us, we shall take their children away from them and rear them as needful.”

— *Adolf Hitler* —

June 1933

29 And there was also a cause of much sorrow among the Lamanites; for behold, they had many *children who did grow up and began to wax strong in years, that they became for themselves*, and were led away by some who were Zoramites, by their lyings and their flattering words, to join those Gadianton robbers.

30 And thus were the Lamanites afflicted also, and began to decrease as to their faith and righteousness, because of the wickedness of the rising generation.

3 Nephi 1:29-30

Choosing Political Leaders

When Choosing Leaders, Candidates, Platforms,
Political Philosophies
One should Vote

Righteously not Selfishly

Knowing what the ‘Work and Glory of God’ is:

The question must be asked:


What does it mean to have an

“Eye Single to the Glory of God”?



25 Therefore, choose you *by the voice of this people, judges, that ye may be judged according to the laws which have been given you by our fathers, which are correct, and which were given them by the hand of the Lord.*

(Mosiah 29:25)



11 ... let us appoint judges, to judge this people according to our law; ... for we will appoint wise men to be judges, that will judge this people according to the commandments of God.

Mosiah 29:11

39 Behold, it came to pass that the son of Nephihah was appointed ... governor over the people,

with an oath and sacred ordinance

1-*to judge righteously*, and

2-*to keep the peace and the freedom of the people*,

and

3-*to grant unto them their sacred privileges to*

worship the Lord their God, yea,

4-*to support and maintain the cause of God all his*

days, and

5-*to bring the wicked to justice according to their*

crime.

(Alma 50:39)

HOW TO CHOOSE LEADERS

RIGHTEOUSLY NOT SELFISHLY

11 ... *a man being a servant of the devil cannot follow Christ; and if he follow Christ he cannot be a servant of the devil.*

12 Wherefore, all things *which are good cometh of God; and that which is evil cometh of the devil;*

(its not necessarily the person or the party: its the politics, platforms and philosophies)

13 But behold, *that which is of God inviteth and enticeth to do good continually; wherefore, every thing which inviteth and enticeth to do good, and to love God, and to serve him, is inspired of God.*

14 Wherefore, *take heed, my beloved brethren, that ye do not judge that which is evil to be of God, or that which is good and of God to be of the devil.*

(Moroni 7:11-17)

HOW TO CHOOSE LEADERS

15 For behold, my brethren, *it is given unto you to judge, that ye may know good from evil; and the way to judge is as plain...*

16 ...I show unto you the way to judge; *for every thing which inviteth to do good, and to persuade to believe in Christ, is sent forth by the power and gift of Christ; wherefore ye may know with a perfect knowledge it is of God.*

17 But whatsoever thing persuadeth men to do evil, and believe not in Christ, and deny him, and serve not God, then ye may know with a perfect knowledge it is of the devil...

(Moroni 7:11-17)

The image shows the United States Capitol building in Washington, D.C., viewed from a distance. The building is white with a prominent dome and classical architectural features. The foreground consists of a green lawn with some trees and a flower bed. The entire image is overlaid with a dark, semi-transparent filter, and white text is centered over it.

The Deed Restrictions placed on
the Promised Land by God,
would teach and warn the reader
that:



A candidate or political leader that
will compromise his faith, values
and commitment to God in order to
be elected—

Does **NOT** have your freedom,
security and prosperity as a primary
concern.

Scriptural Purpose of Government

Freedom exists because of religion. Law exists for the protection of freedom. When religious freedom is compromised then freedom is lost.

The protection of basic freedoms such as; life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, religious freedom and the protection of private property become the primary purpose that governments and laws are established.

As soon as laws are enacted or judgments made that favor one individual, race, class, entity or belief over another; then individual freedoms are compromised and the corruption of power is imminent.

Secular History has two Political Bookends

Anarchy and Tyranny

Anarchy: is freedom without order

Tyranny: is order without freedom

The inspired Constitution is written to provide both freedom and order to the individual without infringing on the rights of others

God is a God of Order and a God of Agency

Theocracy is the only Perfect Order with Perfect Freedom

Everyone lives in a place governed by leaders,
and laws, rulers and regulations.

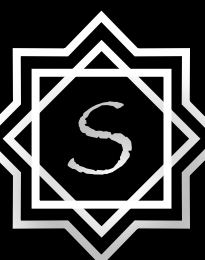
Therefore, every believer should know how to
behave under whatever government they find
themselves.



Government—whether it is Socialistic, Communistic
whether it's Oligarchy, Plutocracy, Democracy,
Monarchy, any kind of government that exists— it
exists as force.

Government is force

It exists under God as a force to restrain evil for
the survival of the race, for the protection, the
sustaining, and the maintenance of human life and
property





3 We believe that *all governments necessarily require civil officers and magistrates to enforce the laws of the same*; and that such as will administer the law in equity and justice should be sought for and *upheld by the voice of the people* if a republic, or the will of the sovereign.

5 We believe that *all men are bound to sustain and uphold the respective governments in which they reside*, while protected in their inherent and inalienable rights by the laws of such governments; and that *sedition and rebellion are unbecoming every citizen thus protected, and should be punished accordingly; and that all governments have a right to enact such laws as in their own judgments are best calculated to secure the public interest*; at the same time, however, holding sacred the freedom of conscience.

Government is Force

Governments exists under God as a force to restrain evil for the survival of the race, for the protection, the sustaining, and the maintenance of human life and property within it's jurisdiction

If the “force” of government doesn't restrain evil and criminality, or protect human life and property and the pursuit of happiness (business ownership or job) the governing authority ceases to exist for the purpose it should exist.

Government is Force

Political Philosophy, Social Reform, Entitlements, Climate Change, Sexual Preference etc. etc. are not the primary reasons to elect leaders.

Vote Righteously not Selfishly

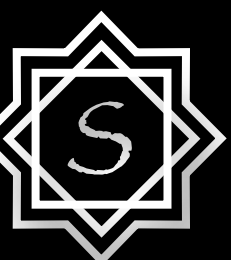
Freedom exist under the government controlled force that operates for the the restraint evil and criminality, for protection of the citizen's life, property and the pursuit of happiness, etc.

A United States Senator a few years ago, made this statement:

“I don't believe that any government ever has the right to coerce its citizens to do anything.”

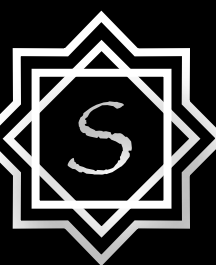
Which is to say, ‘that no government ever has the right to govern.’

If the governments don't have the right of coercion, or neglect to enforce protective law, *then “laws” are but suggestions. Laws cannot and do not exist without law enforcement.*



Augustine said: "Governments are a necessary evil, not because every government is necessarily evil but by the fact that government itself is made necessary by the fact of evil."

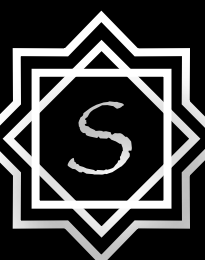
Even though governments may be oppressive and exploitive and corrupt, the worst government is still better than...no government.



The “*no government syndrome*” which guarantees absolute freedom also gives absolute freedom to the unrighteous who can wield their power and corruption with no protection available for the innocent and the weak.

Pure anarchy is the law of the jungle, which God says is not to be desired or tolerated.

God Himself stands behind world governments using them for His ends and for His glory, *but principally as an instrument of restraining power of evil.*



Freedom Requires Restraints and Restrictions

Garden of Eden

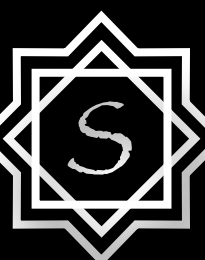
Red Lights

Stop Signs

Law of Gravity

Consequences are a part of Life and stand as a witness to the Law

Every Psychologist and Behavior Modification Councilor knows:
*If the Consequence isn't severe enough to change the
behavior then there is no Consequence.*



Democracy Requires Restraint

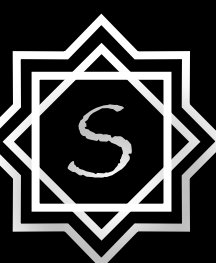
Every government requires a Charter, Compact, or Constitution that creates 'rights' and 'freedoms' for the individual as well as protections for those who abide within the law. What would this country be without the *Constitution*? Where would we be without the *Bill of Rights*?

The Absence of Restraint is Anarchy

No matter how evil a government is, things can conceivably be worse.

If all human restraints were removed, life would be intolerable.

God has instituted governments and given governments the sword to which we are called to give our righteous submission whenever possible.



Governments and Leaders Ordained by God?

Do You Believe the God

You Believe in

Can You Believe in a God

You Refuse to Believe?

Do You Believe

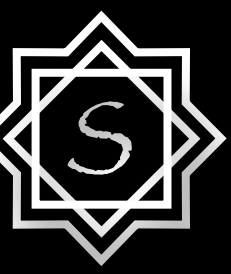
Every

Earthly Kingdom or Nation,

Every

Ruler, Dictator, King or President.

Is Determined by God



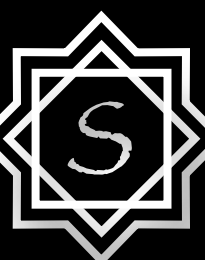
Acts 17:26

26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath *determined the times before appointed*, and the bounds of their habitation;

Daniel 2:20-21

20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his:

21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: *he removeth kings, and setteth up kings*: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:



Even though the King of Babylon was a brutal conqueror of God's chosen people, the great king Nebuchadnezzar proclaimed in Daniel Chapter Four, that God has shown His power so that:

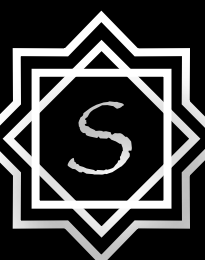
“the living may know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom He will and sets over it the lowliest of men.”

Nebuchadnezzar understood, that God is in charge of:

what rulers govern

in all nations

at all times

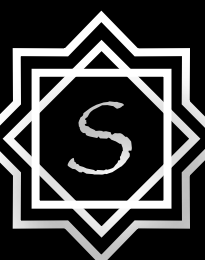


Therefore, *apart from God,*
no earthly governmental authority
truly exists.

When Pilate, the Roman governor, questioned Christ ‘if he knew who he was and what power he had?’, the Savior responded:

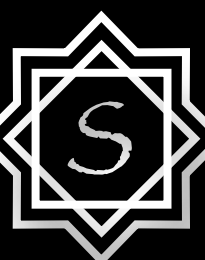
“You would have no authority over Me at all unless it had been given you from above”

(John 19:11)



The instructions found in The Standard Works regarding a believer's attitude toward government authority is surprisingly simple and straightforward about how to act toward their government. This attitude can be summed up in one word:

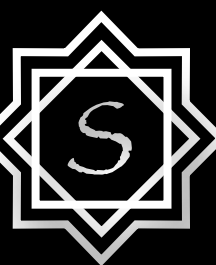
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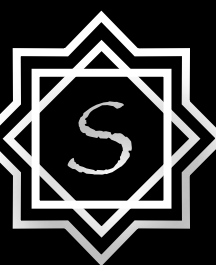
Government as an institution is ordained by God.
Which means that governments are not operating
apart from the sovereign purpose of God.

There is no maverick government that runs
amuck against the purpose of God or
His Work and Glory

God cannot be surprised nor does He have “oops” in His
vocabulary

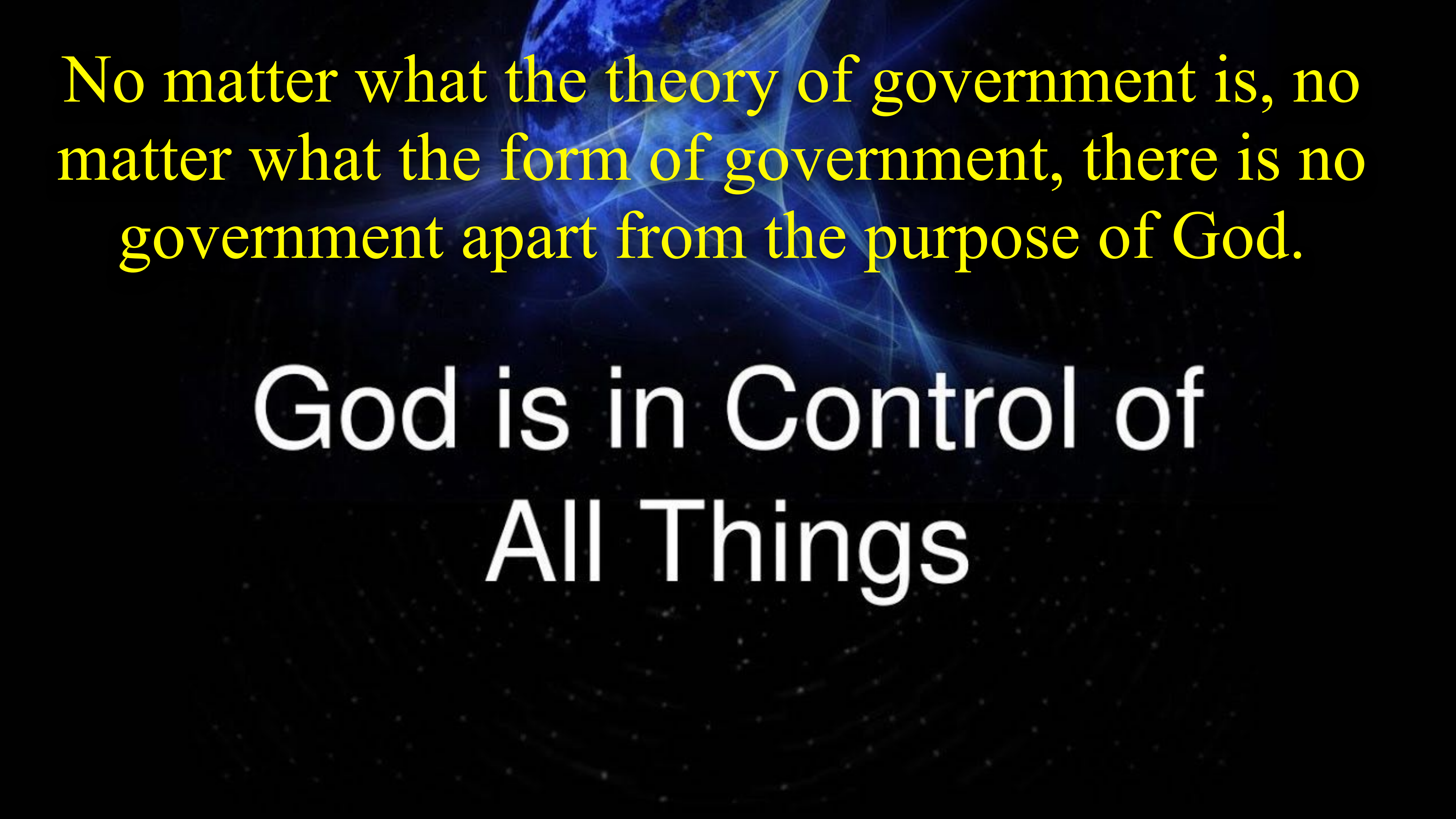


Because God institutes and authorizes all civil governments, He then instructs His followers to obey, or be subject to, those civil governments that **He has set in place.**



16. For *by him were all things created*, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be *thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers*: all things were created by him, and *for him*:

Colossians 1:16

A blue, ethereal globe with glowing lines and a starry background. The globe is positioned in the upper left quadrant, with glowing blue lines radiating from it across the dark blue background. The background is filled with small, white, star-like specks.

No matter what the theory of government is, no matter what the form of government, there is no government apart from the purpose of God.

God is in Control of
All Things

Romans 13:1-4

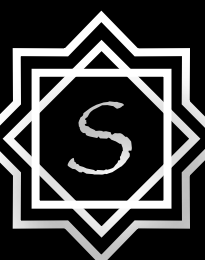
1 Let *every soul be subject unto the higher powers*. For there is no power but of God: *the powers that be are ordained (established) of God.*

Gr. government

2 *Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God:* and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

3 For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:

4 For *he is the minister of God to thee for good*. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil.



How in the world could God be related to a godless government?
How can God ordain an ungodly political institution?

In Scripture it can be seen that there are four key reasons that leaders and governments are put into place by an all knowing God

What we WantBy Choice and Vote

What we NeedTo Make a Change in Ourselves

What we DeserveBecause of Righteousness or Wickedness

What is bestFor His Work and Glory

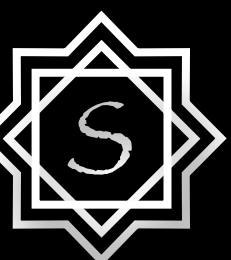
Satan knows not the mind of God, and neither do we

The same Principles are given by the Apostle Peter:

1 Peter 2:13-17

13 *Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;*

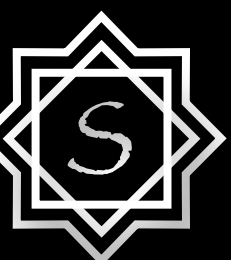
14 *Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him* for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.



Peter is saying:

When a government does evil things, they are to be treated as carrying a God-given authority to provide law and order in the place where they have authority

Christ centered believers will respect that authority.





Article of Faith 12

We believe in being subject to kings, presidents, rulers, and magistrates, in obeying, honoring, and sustaining the law.

The Greatest Threat to a Culture is the Culture Itself

“For the Lord hath said: this is my church, and I will establish it; and nothing shall overthrow it save it be the transgression of my people”

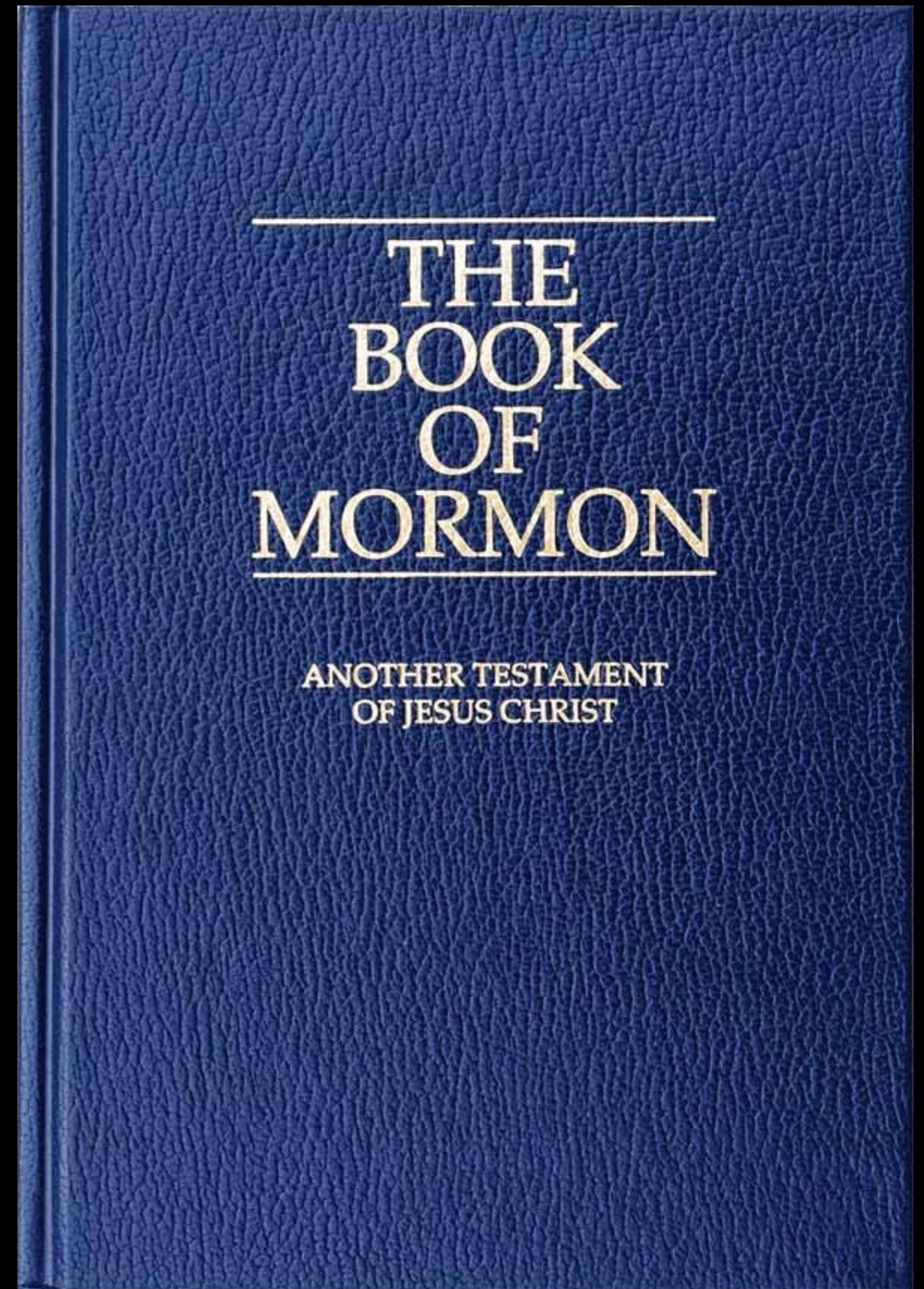
Mosiah 27:13

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ANOTHER TESTAMENT
OF JESUS CHRIST

The Book of Mormon,
might be viewed as just
History. However
the underlying fear is:
It may also be a prophetic
history or worse yet, a
Historical Prophecy

When a person really
begins to understand
The Book of Mormon,
it will become the
most frightening book
they will ever read.



‘Deny not the gifts of god’ for the ‘Lord is bound to His promises, but when we *‘do not what he says we have no promise.’* *‘Where much is given much is expected’* and *‘he that sins against the greater light receives the greater condemnation’*, for this reason the destructions of the last days will *‘begin upon my house and from my house shall they go forth, first among those who have professed to know my name but have not known me.’*

26 Now it is not common that the voice of the people desireth anything contrary to that which is right; but **it is common for the lesser part of the people to desire that which is not right; therefore this shall ye observe and make it your law—to do your business by the voice of the people.**

27 And if the time comes that the voice of the people doth choose iniquity, then is the time that the judgments of God will come upon you; yea, then is the time he will visit you with great destruction even as he has hitherto visited this land.

Mosiah 29:26-27

The Book of Mormon is not just an interesting cultural history or bed-time story. It is written for today and meant for us, our life, our time, and our salvation, temporally, politically and spiritually. The prophetic authors chose carefully their words and history for members of The Church of Jesus Christ in the last days. Every story, chapter, and historical account is for our spiritual benefit. This book is not written for our entertainment.

“Wherefore, I,
Moroni, am
commanded to write
these things that evil
may be done away...
(Ether 8:26).



Remember Two Things!

1. No one is Required to Believe Anything I Say

2. The Church and Gospel are True no Matter
What I Say

The Gospel of Politics



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