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THE BOOK OF MOSES.

CHAPTER I.

VISIONS OF MOSES

As Revealed to Joseph, the Seer, in 1830.

1. The words of God, which he spake^a unto Moses at a time when Moses was caught up into an exceeding high mountain,^b

2. And he saw God^c face to face,^d and he talked with him,^e and the glory of God was upon Moses;^f therefore Moses could endure his presence.^g

3. And God spake unto Moses,^h saying: Behold, I am the Lord God Almighty,ⁱ and Endless^j is my

^a, verses 3, 31, 37; 2: 1; 4: 1, 32; 6: 27, 32, 35; 7: 32, 41, 60; 8: 15. Abraham 1: 16; 2: 8, 22; 3: 4-27; compare Exodus 31: 1; 33: 9, etc.; Alma 12: 30.
^b, verse 42.
^c, verse 11; 7: 4; see also Exodus 24: 10; 33: 11; Judges 13: 22; Isaiah 6: 1-5; Ether 3: Writings of Joseph Smith 2: 18-20; Doc. and Cov. 78: 11-24; 110: 1-4; compare Exodus 3: 6; 33: 20-23; I Nephi 11: 11; Doc. and Cov. 67: 11. ^d, verses 11, 31; 7: 4; Abraham 3: 11; Exodus 33: 11; compare Genesis 32: 30; Numbers 12: 8; Judges 6: 22; Alma 38: 7; Ether 12: 30; Doc. and Cov. 17: 1.
^e, Abraham 3: 11; compare Doc. and Cov. 17: 1. ^f, verses 11, 18, 25, 31; compare verses 9, 14; III Nephi 19: 25; Doc. and Cov. 94: 8-9; see also Moses 7: 3, 17; Exodus 33: 18; 34: 29-35; Matthew 17: 2.
^g, verses 11, 31; compare verse 14. ^h, see verse 1. ⁱ, verse 25; 2: 1; compare Exodus 20: 2; Leviticus 26: 1, 13; Deuteronomy 5: 8; Psalms 81: 10; Hosea 13: 4; II Nephi 28: 15; Helaman 10: 11; III Nephi 4: 32. ^j, 7: 35; compare 2: 1; Doc. and Cov. 19: 4, 10.

name;^k for I am without beginning of days or end of years;^l and is not this endless?

4. And, behold, thou art my son; wherefore look,^m and I will show thee the workmanship of mine hands;ⁿ but not all, for my works are without end,^o and also my words, for they never cease.^p

5. Wherefore, no man can behold all my works, except he behold all my glory; and no man can behold all my glory, and afterwards remain in the flesh on the earth.^q

6. And I have a work for thee, Moses, my son; and thou art in the similitude of mine Only Begotten;^r and mine Only Begotten^s is and shall be the Savior,^t for he is full of grace and truth;^u but there is no God beside me, and all things are present with me, for I know them all.^v

7. And now, behold, this one thing I show unto thee, Moses, my son; for thou art in the world, and now I show it unto thee.

8. And it came to pass that Moses looked, and beheld the world upon which he was created;^w and Moses beheld the world and the ends thereof, and all the children of men which are, and which were

k, compare 7: 35; Abraham 1: 16; Doc. and Cov. 39: 1. l, 2: 1; 6: 67; compare Abraham 2: 8; Isaiah 44: 6; Revelation 21: 6; Mosiah 3: 5; Alma 11: 39; 13: 7-9; III Nephi 9: 18; Moroni 7: 22; 8: 18; Doc. and Cov. 29: 33; 39: 1; 81: 1; 76: 4; 88: 6-13; 93: 8-10. m, 7: 4, 6, 9, 44, 45; compare I Nephi 11: 8, 12, 19, etc. n, 7: 32, 37; compare II Nephi 27: 34. o, verse 38; compare Doc. and Cov. 29: 33. p, compare II Nephi 29. q, John 1: 18; I Timothy 6: 16; I John 4: 12; compare Doc. and Cov. 84: 19; also 35: 21; 50: 45; 67: 10-14; 76: 18; 84: 88; 93: 1; 97: 16; 107: 19; 110: 1; 138: 37. r, verses 13, 18; compare 2: 26, 27; Jacob 4: 5; Mosiah 7: 27; Alma 18: 34; Ether 3: 6-16. s, verses 17, 21, 32, 33; 2: 26, 27; 3: 18; 4: 28; 5: 7, 9, 57; 6: 52, 57; 7: 50, 59, 62; compare verse 19; 5: 13; II Nephi 2: 12; Alma 5: 48; 9: 26; 13: 9; Doc. and Cov. 20: 21; 29: 42; 76: 21, 25, 35; 93: 11. t, compare 5: 9; 6: 54; 7: 39; see also I Nephi 17: 4; 13: 40; 21: 28; 22: 12; II Nephi 6: 18; 31: 13; Mosiah 3: 20; III Nephi 5: 20; Mormon 3: 14; 7: 10; 8: 6; Moroni 8: 29. u, verse 32; 5: 7; 6: 52; 7: 11; compare II Nephi 2: 6, 8; Alma 5: 48; 9: 26; 13: 9. v, verse 35; I Nephi 9: 6; Words of Mormon 1: 7; compare Alma 7: 13; 40: 5, 10; Mormon 8: 17. w, verse 27; compare Abraham 3: 11-12.

created;^z of the same he greatly marveled and wondered.

9. And the presence of God^y withdrew from Moses, that his glory was not upon Moses;^z and Moses was left unto himself. And as he was left unto himself, he fell unto the earth.^a

10. And it came to pass that it was for the space of many hours before Moses did again receive his natural strength like unto man; and he said unto himself: Now, for this cause I know that man is nothing,^b which thing I never had supposed.

11. But now mine own eyes have beheld God;^c but not my natural,^d but my spiritual eyes, for my natural eyes could not have beheld;^e for I should have withered and died in his presence;^f but his glory was upon me;^g and I beheld his face,^h for I was transfigured before him.ⁱ

12. And it came to pass that when Moses had said these words, behold, Satan^j came tempting^k him, saying: Moses, son of man,^l worship me.^m

13. And it came to pass that Moses looked upon Satanⁿ and said: Who art thou? For behold, I am a son of God, in the similitude of his Only Begotten;^o and where is thy glory, that I should worship thee?

14. For behold, I could not look upon God, except his glory should come upon me,^p and I were

z, verse 28; compare 6: 36; 7: 21, 23. y, Abraham 2: 12. z, compare verse 2. a, compare Acts 9: 4; Jacob 7: 21; Mosiah 4: 1; 27: 12; Alma 18: 42; 22: 18; 27: 17. b, compare Job 25: 6. c, verse 2; I Nephi 11: 11. d, 6: 36; compare Ether 12: 19; Doc. and Cov. 67: 16-13. e, compare verse 14. f, compare verse 2. g, compare verse 2. h, compare verse 2. i, compare verse 14. j, verse 19, 21; 4: 1, 4; 5: 13, 18, 21, 29, 30, 38; Doc. and Cov. 10: 29, 32, 33; 35: 24; 43: 31; 45: 55; 52: 14; 63: 28; 64: 17; 76: 28-29; 101: 28; compare I Chronicles 21: 1, etc.; II Nephi 2: 17; 9: 8; 24: 12; Mosiah 16: 3. k, compare 5: 38; Matthew 4: 1-11. l, compare 6: 57. m, Ezekiel 2: 1, 3, 6, etc., also Matthew 8: 20, etc.; Doc. and Cov. 49: 6, etc. n, verse 19; 5: 49. o, compare 7: 26; Alma 30: 53; Doc. and Cov. 76: 28. p, verse 6. q, verses 2, 11.