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*This book is dedicated to my two treasured daughters
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My purpose for Doctrine and Covenants in the Light of Science is to reach out to my Mormon friends and to inform persons considering Mormonism.

The Latter-day Saints' (LDS) **major** purpose of Doctrine and Covenants (D&C) is to call attention to their true doctrines and historical features. Mormons fully realize that to win Christians over to Mormonism, they must emphasize the Book of Mormon (B.O.M.) as it appears superficially to be somewhat Biblical. They dare not emphasize Doctrine and Covenants (D&C) or Pearl of Great Price (PGP) to Christians as this would be a dead giveaway of their radical difference in doctrine from the Bible.

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* NOTE: *Although the Table of Contents of B.O.M., D&C, and PGP seem to appear almost identical, their contents are very different.*

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT FALSE PROPHETS

Throughout the Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, and Pearl of Great Price, Joseph Smith has presented numerous prophesies. **None** of these prophesies have ever been truthful. Below is what the Bible has to say about false prophets even with one error.

Deuteronomy 18:20 “But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, **even that prophet shall die.**”²¹ And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken? ²² When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.”

Deuteronomy 13:8 “Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him: ⁹ But thou shalt **surely kill him**; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people. ¹⁰ And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.”

WHY INVESTIGATE DOCTRINE AND COVENANTS (D&C)?

My scientific academic background has encouraged me to investigate significant issues from as honest and fair a perspective as possible. This I have tried to do in this book as always. But I definitely need the help of informed Mormons in fairly interpreting D & C.

This study was encouraged by the suggestions of several of my Mormon friends. They were confident that I would have a “burning in my bosom” if I read Doctrine and Covenants, one of their Scriptures, just as they predicted I would if I so read the Book of Mormon (B.O.M.). This work was undertaken, not at all with the attitude of finding out how wrong Doctrine and Covenants is, but with the sincere and devout attitude of weighing it honestly from several angles.

I must point out that in comparing the original Doctrine and Covenants (first called The Book of Commandments) with radical changes and more recent editions that I was most surprised to find that my Mormon friends have literally altered a few thousand significant changes in this Scripture of theirs. They could obviously not all be inspired as they say different and often contradictory things. I arbitrarily chose the 1985 Version, many parts of which Joseph Smith, the original author, would be completely unable to recognize. [Which of the several false versions are supposed to be inspired?](#)

I have been most favorably impressed by the zeal, enthusiasm, kindness, compassion, and friendship of so many Mormons. My reading and study of Doctrine and Covenants (D&C) was partly inspired by my desire to see what makes them think as they do. I was also perplexed by my study of the Book of Mormon. In spite of the fact that B.O.M. is repeatedly claimed to contain the “fullness of the everlasting Gospel”, B.O.M. contains **no major doctrines** peculiar to Mormonism! This fact also inspired this study.

While in my other writings I designate passages in this Mormon Scripture thus: e.g. “D&C 12:13”, this present Scripture will omit the “D&C” and simply present the designation, e.g. 12:13, etc. in order to save space and reading time.

The following is an evaluation of D&C in the Light of Science. We will often refer to Pearl of Great Price as PGP and Book of Mormon as B.O.M.

D&C is rarely shown to potential converts because its distinctive doctrines, etc. are obviously offensive to most non-Mormons. D&C contains the bulk of Latter-day Saints (LDS) teachings.

ANATOMICAL PROBLEMS

If an Anatomy professor neglected to teach his surgical students the details of neuroanatomy, would you trust his students as brain surgeons? It is the height of folly--not meanness--to demand 100% accuracy. Please help me here: would our All Wise God say the following?

MOTE: In 29:25 there is the incorrect assumption that “mote” is the word for a part of eye anatomy. Joseph Smith has misinterpreted the KJV translation of Matthew 7:3-5 in which Jesus uses the word “mote” (Greek KARFOS) which means a dried twig or straw, not a part of the eye. Jesus was simply saying to take the “beam” or log out of your own eye before you try to take the “mote” or twig out of your brother's eye. If Joseph Smith were really a true Prophet, why did he not grasp this?

RESURRECTION BODY: 9:14 promises “a hair of your head shall not be lost, and you shall be lifted up at the last day.” 29:25 promises about the resurrection: “not one hair, neither **mote**, shall be lost, for it is the workmanship of mine hand.” Obviously, Joseph Smith was totally unaware that we shed scores of body and head hairs every week, and that numerous blood, skin, and other cells are replaced weekly.

Obviously, it would be **fatal** for all of the many trillions of cells we shed in a lifetime to be returned to us. Error in D&C.

Besides, the chemical components of cells are constantly being recycled into bodies of other organisms that digest them. So, what would God do with, let's say, a calcium atom that had been part of 1,000 people in history?

HEAVENLY FATHER'S PHYSICAL BODY: 130:22 declares that the Father and Son both have “a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man's”. Other Mormon writings insist that Heavenly Father is the size of a normal man! Yet, 20:17 and 28 actually call Him “infinite”! 88:41 declares that “He comprehendeth all things, and all things are before him...”. To comprehend **ALL** things would be to understand **ALL** the books in **ALL** the universities and libraries in **ALL** the world, **ALL** the thoughts in **ALL** creatures, **ALL** the atoms in **ALL** the countless stars, etc. This is obviously most unrealistic for a man-sized brain!

If Heavenly Father is the size of a normal man, how can 133:3 say “For he shall make bare his holy arm in the eyes of **ALL** the nations...”? Also, 15:2 and 16:2 both say, “...mine arm is over **ALL** the earth”. How can this be since he is man-sized?

1:1 says his “...eyes are upon **ALL** men...”

60:4 - “I, the Lord, rule in the heavens above, and among the armies of earth.”

38:17 calls Earth God's “footstool, wherefore, again, I will stand upon it.”

GOD WITHOUT A BODY: In the Temple Manual, Achieving a Celestial Marriage, Mormonism **INSISTS** that in order to be exalted to godhood, an eternal pre-existent spirit **MUST** be born as a human and to acquire a physical body. Then that physical human being must follow certain religious requirements to be exalted to godhood in the next life.

BODY OF JESUS: 133:20 says of Jesus “...he shall stand upon the Mount of Olivet, and upon the mighty ocean, even the great deep, and upon the islands of the sea, and upon the land of Zion.” How possible if human sized?

133:21 says of Jesus' voice, “...he shall utter his voice out of Zion, and he shall speak from Jerusalem, and his voice shall be heard among **ALL** people.” (Verses 22-23 tell even more about His powerful voice from His man-sized body. Never happened.



How could Jesus be God in His pre-existence before He acquired a physical body? Mormons interpret all Old Testament references to Jehovah God as speaking of Jesus even though He had not received a physical body yet. Mormons believe that before He was born, He was the Creator of Earth and many other worlds. These all require that He be God, even though Mormons believe that Jesus had not gotten a body yet!

HOLY GHOST: This automatically introduces a serious problem. How can the Holy Ghost who “has not a body of flesh and bones, but is a personage of Spirit (130:22), be God (20:28; Alma 11:44; 3 Nephi 11:27, 36; Mormon 7:7 in B.O.M.)?

ANGELIC BODIES: 129:1 describes angels in heaven as “having bodies of flesh and bones.” This is in conflict with appearing of angels (spirits) in Omni 1:25; 3 Nephi 7:18; 17:24; Moroni 7:25, 29, and 37 in B.O.M. It is flatly **contradicted** by 88:27 and by Psalm 104:4. All these references are based strictly on angels as **SPIRITS**.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

(See also “Sociological Problems)

JEWS VERSUS HEBREWS: 19:27 speaks of “...the Jew of whom the Lamanites (American Indians) are a remnant.” In fact 1 Nephi 3:3 (B.O.M.) says that “Laban hath the record of the Jews...”. **BUT** 1 Nephi 5:14 and 16 says that Lehi was descended from Joseph (not Judah). Thus, technically, it is definitely **not** correct for 19:27, etc. to claim that Lamanites and Nephites are descended from Jews as they were not descended from the Tribe of Judah!

Dennis O'Rourke, Ph.D. (Mormon) Molecular Anthropologist, Univ. of Utah, stated “I have been involved in a number of research projects that have examined DNA variations and ancient populations in the Americas. I don't know of any data that suggest any particular similarities of Native American to any populations of the Middle East.” (In other words, the Lamanites were definitely not of Jewish origin contrary to B.O.M.!)

RACIAL INFERIORITIES: D&C says that God the Father (1:35) and Jesus (38:16) are “no respecter of persons”, yet these D&C passages **CONTRADICT** the Pearl of Great Price concept that the Negroid Race bears the curse of Cain (Moses 5:36; 7:22; etc.)! 1:35 and 38:16 also **CONTRADICT** the Book of Mormon concept that the American Indians (Lamanites) were cursed with a dark skin (1 Nephi 12:11; 13:15; 5:21; Jacob 3:3-9; Mormon 5:15-17; 2 Nephi 30:5-7; 3 Nephi 2:15; etc.) in **most editions**.

RACIAL ORIGINS: 10:60 speaks of “other sheep” in reference to American Indians, claiming that “they were a branch of the house of Jacob.” 19:27 agrees when it speaks of “...the Jews of whom the Lamanites (American Indians) are a remnant.” There is absolutely no evidence whatever that American Indians are of Jewish origin. Their straight black coarse hair is obviously Mongoloid as is their skin color, Mongoloid eye fold, frequent Mongoloid blue spot, prominent cheek bones and other skeletal traits, blood types (e.g. Diego group), and other features, not to mention the ease with which Asiatics could travel across the Aleutians to Alaska. If the American Indians are not of Asiatic origin, then where are the Mongoloid immigrants, and why are they Mongoloid?

RACIAL FUTURE: 49:24 promises that “the Lamanites (American Indians) shall blossom as the rose” before the **VERY SOON** Second Coming of Jesus. 49:6 asserts that this event is “**NIGH** at hand” while 49:28 quotes Jesus as saying “I come **QUICKLY**”. This prophecy was made back in 1831. There are many similar prophecies in D&C made over 170 years ago. The “blossoming” of the Native American Indians in the middle 1800's **FAILED**. Errors in D&C.

FEMALE INFERIORITY: While 1:35 and 38:16 assert that God is “no respecter of persons”, when D&C gives spiritual blessings to the Priesthood (84:19, 35, 40; 86:11; 113:8; 124:123; 128:8; 107:18), and yet denies the Priesthood to women (as L.D.S. did

until recently with Blacks), it is greatly discriminating against women simply because they are female.



When 132 requires men to have multiple wives in order to be exalted to godhood, but does not allow women to have more than one husband, D&C is discriminating against women simply because they are female.

In many other ways L.D.S. subjugates the role of women (e.g., capitalizing “Gods” and lower casing “goddesses”, claiming that a husband has the right in the Resurrection to raise his wives or to let them remain in the grave, etc.).

Not only do these practices **CONTRADICT** 1:35 and 38:16, but also they are in **OPPOSITION** to Galatians 3:28 that states that “in Christ there is neither male nor female...” **On the other hand, the Bible honors women throughout.**

INFERIORITY OF CHILDREN, RETARDED, AND HANDICAPPED: While 1:35 and 38:16 state that God is “no respecter of persons”, when D&C ties spiritual blessings to the Priesthood (see above), and yet denies the Priesthood to children, the retarded, handicapped, illiterate, those with a language barrier, etc., it is discriminating against them. This is not only **CONTRARY** to 1:35 and 38:16 but also to the Biblical concept that “whosoever will may come.”

ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

NEPHITE RECORD: 1:29 refers to the B.O.M. as the “record of the Nephites”, the supposed white skinned righteous Jewish inhabitants in the Americas between 600 B.C. and 421 A.D. Yet, while we have literally thousands of artifacts of ancient Chinese, Asiatic Indians, Egyptians, Norse, Phoenicians, Greeks, Romans, and others, there is in the Americas 100% **TOTAL LACK** of coins, cities, buildings, pottery, highways, tools, or weapons and only very scant Caucasoid skeletal remains of the supposed millions of Nephites from that 1000+ year period. Nor are there any weapons, coins, etc. of the millions of “Lamanites” from that period. Not one! The only honest explanation is that the B.O.M. and D&C are total fiction.

[Steven L. Whittington, Ph.D. \(Mormon\) Biological Anthropologist, Univ. of Maine:](#) reports that “Archeologists and Physical Anthropologists have not found any

evidence of Hebrew origin for the people of North, South, and Central America.” In other words D&C is totally wrong!

GOLD PLATES: 17:1 promises to show the Gold Plates (from which the B.O.M. was supposedly translated), the breastplate, the sword of Laban, etc. The ancient inhabitants of the Americas possessed **no such** articles as metal swords, metal breastplates, records on gold plates, etc. No wonder that they could not be produced! No wonder that they do not exist in the Museum on Temple Square in Salt Lake City!

ENGRAVINGS: 8:1 refers to “engravings of old records” from which Joseph Smith claimed that he translated the B.O.M. Several other passages in D&C (10:38 and 45, etc.) also refer to this. Those plates would necessarily have weighed several hundred pounds. Gold is both a heavy metal and a soft one. Such weight for over 1,400 years would have crushed much of the engravings beyond recognition. An additional fatal problem is the **absence of gold deposits near New York**. Also, the nearest thing to writing in North America in 421 A.D. was simple Indian pictographs. The great weight would obviously have been **impossible** for Joseph Smith to transport by himself!

TRIBES: 3:17-20 refers to the Nephites, Jacobites, Josephites, Zoramites, Lamanites, Lemuelites, and Ishmaelites in ancient North America. The same total absence of Archaeological evidence mentioned for the Nephite Record above applies equally here also. **ZERO evidence!**

TALENT: In the original 1834 version of 103:73 we read: “if it be five talents, or if it be ten talents...”. This “**perfect revelation**” was later altered so that the 1949 version says: “If it be five talents [dollars], or if it be ten talents [dollars]...” (brackets theirs). Amazing as it is to those of us who do not understand how a revelation from God can be changed, the 1982 edition has been further altered to read “If it be five dollars, or if it be ten dollars...”. Aside from the very serious problem of altering Scripture, no Archaeologist would ever for a minute consider a talent to be the equivalent to a dollar! A talent was a certain weight of silver or gold in ancient Rome, Greece, or the Middle East. While talents varied in different countries, a talent was no less than 58 pounds of silver or gold. Thus, a talent might be worth, say, at least \$600 or more, never a mere dollar! Dollar is **not** an ancient American term!

ASTRONOMICAL PROBLEMS

When God's true prophets prophesy something, it **ALWAYS** happens. But when Joseph Smith makes hundreds of prophesies, you can bank on the fact that “it did **NOT** come to pass.” Consider the following examples:

DAYS: 121:30-31 inappropriately speaks of “days” in reference to stars. “Day” is the period of time between the rising and setting of the Sun (or other stars for any planets). Or, it can mean the period of revolution of a planet on its axis. Neither our Sun nor other stars have alternating days and nights! None! Error in D&C.

WEEKS: 88:44 inappropriately speaks of stars as having “weeks”. There is **NO** astronomical basis **WHATEVER** for “week”. The concept of a week of seven days is derived from the description of Earth's creation in Genesis, and is not at all relevant to planets or stars! Error in D&C.

MONTH: It is inappropriate for 88:43-45 and 121:30-31 to speak of “months” in reference to stars. The word, month, is derived from “moon”, and refers either to the length of time for Earth's Moon to revolve around the Earth (27 days, 7 hours, 43 minutes, and 11.5 seconds), or to the length of time required for the Moon to complete its phases (29 days, 12 hours., 44 minutes, and 2.8 seconds), or to an arbitrary calendar month of 28 to 31 days. If a planet has 2 to 20 or more moons, it is **ridiculous** to speak of its months. If a planet is covered with clouds, as is Jupiter, making its moons “invisible”

to Jupiter, it is impractical to speak of months. As stars do not have moons, it is **ERRONEOUS** to speak of their having months as D&C very falsely claims!

YEARS: 121:30-31 **ERRONEOUSLY** speaks of years on the Sun, Moon, and stars. A “year” is the time required for a planet to revolve around the Sun or other star. As the Sun and other stars do not revolve around stars (binary and trinary stars revolve around the gravitational center between them), they cannot be said to have years. As all moons revolve around their stars at the same rate at which their planets do, their years are identical to their respective planets. Error in D&C.

SOON SIGNS IN THE HEAVENS: In dozens of places D&C clearly indicates that Jesus is coming back **VERY SOON** after the 1830's or **in** the 1840's. 88:57 says it shall be “**NOT MANY DAYS HENCE**” while 29:9 says that “the hour is **NIGH** and the day **SOON** at hand.” Yet, the following **SURE SIGNS** did not come about as clearly predicted by “revelation”:

- A. Shaking Stars: The heavens will shake (21:6; 35:24; 45:48; 49:23) and tremble (84:117-118).
- B. Dark Stars: The stars will stop shining (34:9).
- C. Falling Stars: The stars will fall to Earth (34:9; 45:42; 25:14; 29:14) or be hurled from their place (133:49; 88:87). As there are many times more stars in the heavens than there are grains of sand on all the shores of all the seas, and as a typical star is a million times the size of the Earth, this should make an impressive splash! Admittedly, Revelation 6, 8, and 12 speak of stars falling, but unlike D&C, Revelation uses much figurative language. Besides, the Greek word used, **aster**, includes meteoroids. In the ancient world the word for “star” included what modern astronomers call stars, planets, comets, asteroids, and meteoroids. Thus it is permissible for the Bible to speak of “stars” falling (Rev. 8:13, etc.). But when D&C was written in the 1800's, astronomers distinguished between the various types of astronomical bodies. It is then **most inappropriate** for D&C to speak of stars falling to Earth (29:14; 34:9; 45:42). In fact 88:87 is a prophecy made by Joseph Smith in December 27, 1832:
 - 1. “For not many days hence” [note what it claims!]
 - 2. “and the earth shall tremble” [also an error in D&C]
- D. Dark Sun and Moon: The Sun and Moon will **SOON** stop shining (29:14; 88:87; 25:14; 133:49; 45:42). Not so!
- E. Bloody Moon: The Moon will **SOON** turn to blood (29:14; 34:9; 88:87; 25:14; 45:42). Never happened - error in D&C.
- F. Unveiling: The heavens **ARE ABOUT TO BE** unveiled (109:74). The curtains of heaven shall be literally unfolded **JUST AS A SCROLL IS ROLLED UP**, and the Lord's Face will be seen (88:95) “**NOT MANY DAYS HENCE**” from 1832. The “veil which hideth the earth, shall be taken off, and all flesh shall see me together” (101:23). Another of numerous false prophecies of Joseph Smith.
- G. Knowledge: of “**ALL** things” about the heavens are **ABOUT TO BE** revealed by God (101:32-34). This 1833 prophesy did not come to pass “**SOON**”!
- H. Pillar Of Fire: Christ shall reveal Himself from the Heavens “in a pillar of fire” (29:11-12). The “hour is **NIGH**” (vv. 9, 10) to 1830. It obviously never happened.
- I. See also 87:87 for further emphasis on D&C's insistence that numerous signs in the heavens will be “not many days hence” from Dec. 27, 1832. False.

“And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”
Romans 12:2

INHABITED MOON: 21:4-5 quotes God as saying of Joseph Smith: “...thou shalt give heed unto all his words. For his word ye shall receive, as if from mine own mouth...”. In the Journal of Oliver E. Huntington (a loyal Mormon contemporary of Smith), copy at Utah State Historical Society, vol. 2, p. 168 (also in The Henry E. Huntington Library, Pasadena, CA.) we read these words which 21:4-5 would have us receive as though from God's Own Mouth: “The inhabitants of the moon, being about six feet in height. They dress very much like the Quakers' style and are quite general in style, or the fashion of dress. They live to be very old; coming nearly a thousand years.” One wonders what Mormon astronaut Lieutenant Colonel Edward White, who was the first U.S. astronaut to walk in Space, honestly thought of this “revelation” of Joseph Smith! (See 68:1-4).

It is most unfortunate that Lieutenant Colonel White lost his life on January 26, 1967 during a launch pad test at Kennedy Space Center, Florida. I have a very deep respect and admiration for him and his unique accomplishments as an astronaut, etc. I would like to have had the opportunity to ask Lieutenant Colonel White a few questions about his experiences from his time in space:

1. How would he explain the statements made by prophet Joseph Smith that the Moon is thoroughly inhabited by Quaker-like people? This was quoted in the journal by Oliver E. Huntington, a contemporary and very close follower of Joseph Smith.
2. How can they breathe in such a scant atmosphere on the Moon?
3. What do they do for water on the Moon as the Moon is extremely dry?
4. What crops can the natives possibly raise on a total lack of organic soil?
5. Did anyone eat of their ample crops, drink their water, or breathe the air?
6. What language did the Moon inhabitants speak?
7. How could they survive in the extreme temperatures on the Moon?

It is my understanding that Lt. Col. White, as many other Mormon scientists, was deeply embarrassed and disturbed about this and the many other gross scientific errors of prophet Joseph Smith and other Mormon leaders. As a brilliant, honest scientist, he had increasing serious doubts about Mormonism.

In deep respect and memory of
Mormon
Lieutenant Colonel Edward White



Job 34:10 "Therefore hearken unto me, ye men of understanding: far be it from God, that he should do wickedness; and from the Almighty, that he should commit iniquity.

Job 34:11 For the work of a man shall he render unto him, and cause every man to find according to his ways.

Job 34:12 Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty pervert judgment."



TEN LOST TRIBES PLANET: Keep in mind 21:4-5 quoted above that orders us to receive “all his (Joseph Smith's) words” as if from God's own mouth. In a paper on the Ten Lost Tribes of Israel being on a separate planet (narration given to Theodore Tobiason by Patriarch Brown of Forest Dale, Oct., 1924), a question was asked of Brown to explain Hymn 322 by Sister Eliza R. Snow, sixteenth wife of Joseph Smith. Brown reported that his grandmother asked Sister Snow where she got her idea in her Hymn that the Ten Lost Tribes are on a planet that was taken out of the Earth. She said, “Why, my husband the Prophet Joseph told me about it.” Brown further told how his grandfather conversed with Joseph Smith in even greater detail on the subject, explaining that when Christ returns **SOON** (remember that this took place before Smith was shot in 1844), He will cause the Lost Tribes Planet to be reunited with Earth.

Joseph Smith tried to explain how (apart from miraculous intervention) the two planets could be reunited without causing utter destruction of the structure of both by saying that instead of a head-on collision, one would approach the other while going the same direction! A “lot of difference” that would make in their gravitational effects on each other's oceans, populations, atmospheres, soils, crusts, animals, people, etc.! The gravitational pull of the two planets would draw all those things into the space between the approaching planets, causing extermination of all life!

GLOBE OF BURNING GLASS: 130:6-7 says that “The angels do not reside on a planet like this earth,” but dwell with God “on a globe like a sea of glass and fire.” It is impossible to conceive of a star or planet composed of glass and fire! What would support the continual fire? Glass is a very stable compound and cannot burn. Smith does not maintain that the fire is miraculously perpetuated. 76:70-96 describes the Celestial Kingdom where God dwells as being like the Sun in glory. It is impossible to relate all of this with 129:1-9 which declares that angels have bodies of flesh and bones (**contradicting Hebrews 1:7**, etc. which states that angels are spirits)!

How could angels with humanlike bodies receive nutrients from glass and fire?! How could their bodies of humanlike flesh and bones tolerate all that heat and avoid being injured on all that glass? Mormonism's Heaven sounds more like the Bible's Hell than it does like Heaven! Errors in D&C.

BREASTPLATE GLOBE: 130:8 claims that the globe on which God dwells is a great Urim and Thummin. The final authority for identifying the Urim and Thummin is obviously the Bible. Exodus 28:30 identifies it as the breastplate worn by the High Priest when seeking God's Will. It seems strange that a breastplate would ever be a globe, or vice versa. And, God certainly does not need to seek His Own Will!

NO UNINHABITABLE SPACE: 88:37 bluntly declares “there is no space in which there is no kingdom”; implying that all stars, planets, moons, and presumably comets, asteroids, etc. are inhabited! This notion has zero scientific bases whatever!

Hot stars would prohibit molecular organization essential for physical bodies as implied in 88:37, etc.

Cold stars and planets would prohibit ongoing life processes.

Intense radioactivity of stars would ionize and disintegrate any molecular organization that might get started.

Extreme gravity would destroy physical bodies “of flesh and bones” as indicated in 129:1-9, etc.

Our space program has found no physical life on the Sun, Mercury, Venus, Mars, asteroids, or elsewhere. Case closed.

COUNTLESS HABITABLE STARS AND PLANETS: 132:30 says Abraham's seed would be literally as numerous as the sand on the seashore. 132:31 says that the offspring of Joseph Smith shall be like that of Abraham. 132:19 says that the faithful will be exalted to godhood, and will have a “continuation of seeds forever and ever.”

A problem arises when we realize that Jesus created all of the stars long ago (14:9; 45:1; 76:24; 93:10; 29:31). There will obviously come a time in Eternity in which the gods and their eternally pregnant harems of goddess wives will run out of stars and planets to propagate. Then what? D&C, PGP, and B.O.M. (which contains “the fullness of the Gospel”) do not authorize any further creations. Sorry about that.

CONCENTRATED HABITATION: While the above speaks unquestionably of the dispersion of physical life throughout the Universe, 132:23 on the other hand assures us that all physical life will all be in one place! Regarding the countless quadrillions of seed as numerous as the sand upon the seashore that are eternally polygamously breeding, Jesus assures them all that “where I am ye shall be also” (John 14:3). It is only by faith that we can comprehend the magnitude of this miracle. Remember that Jesus' Body according to 93:4 and 130:1 and 22 is said to be of “flesh and bones” like ours. This is an obvious contradiction and totally impossible.

UNDER EARTH: 88:79 speaks “of things both in heaven and in the earth, and under the earth...”. “Under the earth” reflects the ancient error that we are standing on top of the Earth! This expression is erroneous.

FIXED STARS: In 1831, 133:1-74 urgently warns of devastations **ABOUT TO OCCUR**. Thus, 133:49 alarms us that “...the stars shall be hurled from their places, “But stars are not in fixed places, and did not get hurled! D&C is wrong again.

FIXED COURSES: 88:43 says that the stars' “courses are fixed”. This is incorrect as the galaxies are expanding rather than the stars traveling on fixed orbits as on railroad tracks. Besides, their paths are altered by the gravitational pull of other stars.

PILLAR OF HEAVEN: The resurrected saints will “be caught up to meet him in the midst of the pillar of heaven” (88:97). No such pillar exists. It is true that I Samuel 2:8 of the KJV translation unfortunately uses this term. However, the Hebrew MAW-TSOOK' actually means “something narrow, e.g. hilltop, column, a certain location, lofty rock, steep mountain, etc.”

ANGEL FLIGHT: Although 129:1 claims that angels have physical “bodies of flesh and bones”, 88:92 insists that “angels shall fly through the midst of heaven, crying

with a loud voice, sounding the trump of God, saying: Prepare ye, prepare ye, O inhabitants of the earth; for the judgment of God **IS COME...**". Problems here include how sound could travel through the near vacuum of space, how physical bodies of "flesh and bones" could survive in space, and how they could travel in space! More errors!

CELESTIAL, TERRESTRIAL, AND TELESTIAL KINGDOMS: See Linguistics Problems.

JESUS CREATED UNIVERSE: 14:9 states that Jesus "created the heavens and the earth." However, 20:15 contradicts this in that Heavenly Father is "the framer of heaven and earth". Which is correct?

OMNIPRESENCE YET LIMITED TO HIS BODY: The following assert the omnipresence (exist everywhere) of Jesus: 88:6 "...he **COMPREHENDED ALL** things, that he might be **IN ALL** and through **ALL** things..." v. 7 "...he is in the sun, and the light of the sun, and the power thereof by which it was made." v. 8 "...he is in the moon, and is the light of the moon..." v. 9 "...also the light of the stars..." v. 10 "...earth also..." v. 41 "...he is in **ALL** things, and is through **ALL** things, and is round about **ALL** things; all things are by him..." But, he is man-sized! Amazing.

HEAVENLY FATHER'S PHYSICAL BODY: Mormon authorities insist that Jesus in Heaven has a body the size of a man. They insist that Jesus could never dwell in our heart, but since the Holy Ghost is a Spirit, that He alone can indwell us (130:22, etc). However, Alma 34:36 in B.O.M. **contradicts** this in saying "in the hearts of the righteous doth he (the Lord) dwell...". See also Anatomical Problems.

SHAKING HEAVENS: Numerous signs in the heavens are "**nigh and soon at hand**" 29:9 and 14 from September 1830. The following passages foretell shaking of the heavens to occur **very soon**: 21:6 (April 6, 1830), 34:7, 9, 12 (November 4, 1830) "**time is soon at hand**", "**quickly**", 35:10, 24 (December 1830) "**speedily cometh**", 43:17, 18, 20, 28 "**nigh at hand**" and "**prepare yourselves**" (February 3, 1831). Very false prophecies.

TORN HEAVENS: In 1831, 133:40 warns one of the **SOON** coming signs of the last days in that God would "rend the heavens." But the sky is not a solid dome!

(So called Prophets who are unfaithful to their wives are not prophets at all!)

"Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen." Romans 15:33

BOTANICAL PROBLEMS

If a Botany professor neglected to warn students that they are approaching poison ivy, there could be very unpleasant consequences. Likewise, if Christians fail to notify our Mormon friends of serious errors in their Scriptures such as the following, terrible eternal consequences can result:

CROP ABUNDANCE: 59:3-4 and 15-20 (1831) promise that faithful Mormons are **PERMANENTLY** established in Zion, Jackson County, Missouri. The faithful are promised **ABUNDANT** crops from then on. But **because of their antics with women**, the Mormons were soon driven out of Missouri and were no longer able to raise crops there.

FAMINE DESTRUCTIVENESS: The U.S. Civil War was predicted by Joseph Smith and numerous other people in 1832 to be accompanied by **WORLDWIDE** famine and crop failure, thereby ending **ALL** nations (87:6, etc.). His outlandish prophecy never occurred. Crops did **not** fail Worldwide.

FARM ANNIHILATION: 121:15 and 20 state emphatically that "**NOT MANY YEARS HENCE**" (from 1839) regarding people opposing the Mormons that "their basket shall not be full, their houses and their barns shall perish...". "Not many years hence"? That was around 170 years ago, and the barns there in Missouri have usually been full of produce in seasons ever since. False prophecy again.

HAIL CROP EXTERMINATION: NO WORLDWIDE CROP DESTRUCTION by hail has ever occurred as predicted in 29:16 even though Smith warned us in v. 9 that “the hour is **NIGH** and the day **SOON AT HAND...**”. That was in 1830.

GRAIN SPECIALIZATIONS: 89:17 (see Zoological Problems) is entirely too specific when it asserts that wheat is for man, corn for the ox, oats for horses, rye for fowls and swine and all beasts of the field, and barley is for all useful animals. Rye is not particularly desirable for livestock because of its strong flavor, and because it is subject to the disease ergot. The above grains are fairly well interchangeable. Not an accurate evaluation of animal feed at all. False, as always!

ALL GRAIN FOR MANKIND: Strangely, while 87:17 specifies which grains are particularly for which animals, 87:16 undermines this by declaring **ALL** grain is good for the food of man...”. But not all grain is good for people. Darnel is inedible as are many other grains. Rye is subject to ergot attack. Many people are allergic to wheat, corn, and other grains. The list could go on and on. Very inaccurate advice - full of errors.

GRAPES: 101:101 states that the Mormons “shall build (in Jackson Co., Missouri), and another shall not inherit it; they shall plant vineyards, and they shall eat the fruit thereof. Even so. Amen.” This was in 1833. Mormons never became especially noted for raising grapes in Missouri as they were forced (because of their highly offensive behavior with wives of non-Mormons) to leave the state not long afterwards. Another of numerous false prophecies.

LILIES: 88:80-83 indicates that those that preach the gospel will never get tired, hungry, thirsty, or need clothes, but are to be like the “lilies of the field” (quoting Matthew 6:28). But the lily illustration is invalid. Mormon missionaries **DO** get tired, hungry, thirsty, and need clothes. I have personally known of several faithful Mormon worker friends of mine in need! And unlike lilies, they must earn their livelihood by commercial activities just like the rest of us. Error in D&C.

TOBACCO: Contrary to the claim in 89:8 that tobacco “is an herb for bruises and all sick cattle”, tobacco is utterly worthless as a medicine, is certainly harmful, and could delay proper treatment. It is definitely harmful. (And, amazingly this Section in D&C is actually called the “Word of Wisdom”!)

NOXIOUS PLANTS: 59:18 declares: “Yea, **ALL** things which come of the earth, in the season thereof, are made for the benefit and the use of man, both to please the eye and to gladden the heart.” This is a gross overstatement. Numerous plants are poisonous. Many are weeds that interfere with agriculture. Many are allergenic. Some have repugnant odors. Many have thorns. The curse of Eden rests upon the plant world.

PRECIOUS TREES: 124:26 prescribes that “the box-tree, and the fir tree, and the pine tree, together with **ALL** the precious trees of the earth” were to be brought to the next Zion which was to be in Nauvoo, Illinois (124:22, 27, etc.), for a “**PERMANENT**” Temple.

One problem here is that this “**PERMANENT**” Temple was destroyed shortly after it was built! Another of constant errors in D&C. It was not rebuilt until 2002!

A second problem is that “**ALL** the precious trees **OF THE EARTH**” were required by God (according to 124:22, 27) but never used! Only local trees were used!

A third problem is that one would expect mention of oak, ash, walnut, beech, maple, and cherry woods from among those that were readily available in Illinois. Why this great oversight? D&C is wrong again.

HAIL DESTROYED CROPS: In 1830, 29:10 warns that “the hour is **NIGH**” as v. 16 says: “there shall be a great hailstorm sent forth to destroy the crops **OF THE EARTH**.” False prophecy again. This never ever happened!

TREE LIFE SPANS: 101:30 is peculiarly vague when it says that in the **IMMEDIATE FUTURE** from 1833 (see also vv. 11, 98, etc.) that an infant's expected

lifespan is to be “as the age of a tree”. This makes absolutely no sense at all. This is like saying that something is the color of a dress, has the taste of food, is the size of an animal, is the size of a building, or is traveling the speed of an automobile.

Birches commonly live to about 40 years while sugar maples may reach 500 years, some oaks up to 1,500, some junipers up to 2,000, sequoias to 4,000, and bristlecone pines over 4,500 years of age. Human life spans were certainly not altered in the 1830's or since. A false prophecy again.

BLOSSOMING DESERTS: 117:7 in 1838, following many other D&C prophecies regarding the **VERY SOON** coming Millennium, informs us that God is about to “make solitary places to bud, and to blossom, and to bring forth in abundance...”. Yet, the Polar regions are still “solitary”. And, there are still vast desert and forest areas. In fact, the Sahara is growing every year. Another false prophecy in D&C.

PRUNING: Joseph Smith simply does not understand the purposes of pruning. He quotes God (75:3) as saying “prune my vineyard”. Pruning of grapes is to remove excessive, diseased, dead, injured, and undesirable stems, to rejuvenate, and to control direction of growth. Pruning away undesirable branches enables more of the plant's energy to be spent in producing fruit instead of wood. Yet, reading of the rest of this passage reveals that Smith was not to get rid of “unfruitful members” as pruning would imply, but to preach. Mormons have never been noted for commonly “pruning” out inactive members. They are more likely to try to activate them just as Christian churches do. The illustration may sound religious, but it is definitely Botanically unsound.

ROOT: 113:5 refers to Isaiah 11:10 in speaking of the “root of Jesse”, the Root being Jesus Christ. v. 6 asserts that the “root” is a descendant of Jesse (father of David and from the Tribe of Judah) as well as of Joseph (father of the two half Tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh). V.6 says of Jesus: “unto whom rightly belongs the priesthood...”. While Root is a good illustration in the Bible, it is a false one in D&C because D&C's usage indicates a direct and unbroken lineage of descendants.

The first problem is that v. 4 incorrectly claims that Jesus was directly descended from Ephraim! He definitely was **not**! Anyone can check the genealogies of Jesus in Mathew 1 and Luke 3. A Biblical prophet would know better.

The second problem is that v. 6 says that the priesthood rightly belongs to the Patriarch Joseph (father of Ephraim). However, a root, in illustrating direct lineage, would bypass the Patriarch Joseph. The Aaronic Priesthood was limited strictly to the Tribe of Levi. So, contrary to 113:5, Joseph and Ephraim could not have had the Levite Aaronic Priesthood and neither could Jesus have had the Aaronic Priesthood as Jesus was of the Tribe of Judah (not of Levi). D&C is **saturated** with numerous errors throughout!

“OLIVE VINEYARD” [sic]: D&C 101:43-62ff is botanically confusing.

1. Verses 44, 52, 53, 54, 55, and 56 all repeatedly refer to the “spot of land” as a vineyard, yet the only significant crop is the 12 olive trees. Strange indeed. Vineyards are for vine crops, especially grapes, not trees! Error.
2. Verse 45 refers to “the fruit of my vineyard”, but means olives, not grapes!
3. Verses 44, 45, 46, and 51 all designate the fruit of the vineyard as olives, not fruit of grape vines! Amazing! Error.
4. Verse 44, etc. indicate that the vast wealth of the nobleman was dependant in a significant way upon 12 olive trees. Twelve olive trees? Source of abundant wealth? Very unrealistic.
5. Verses 45, 47, 48, 53, and 54 report that his 12 olive trees were guarded by a tower. Verses 46, 51, 53, and 54 tell us that a hedge was planted around this “olive vineyard” [sic], and verse 53 adds that the nobleman also added a wall around the “olive vineyard” [sic]. But olive trees are not outlandishly so

valuable that 12 of them must be guarded by a tower, hedge, wall, and a small army! Wow!

6. V. 44 describes this bountiful “vineyard” of olives as on “a spot of land.” Yet this mere “spot” is said to produce such an abundance of olives that it was worth it to defend it with an army, etc. This is totally unrealistic! Wrong.
7. This parable implies that olives were prominent in the Americas. However this section of D&C was written in 1833, but olives were not even so much as introduced to California until 1769. Olives are prominent only in Greece and Spain.



BURNED HARVEST: 31:4 has an amazing concept: “...reap in the field which is white already to be **burned**.” Normally, when the field is “white”, it is ready to be **reaped**, not to be burned! Another of many errors!

“Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit.” Romans 15:13

CHEMICAL PROBLEMS

If a chemistry professor fails to warn his students that they should add acid to water instead of adding water to acid, someone would get badly hurt! His intolerance for error is not due to hate, but for the protection of his students.

BURNING EARTH: 64:23-24 (1832); 101:66 (1833); 109:46 (1836); 112:24 (1837); and 133:64 (1831) all strongly warn us that when Jesus **SOON** returns, that He will burn the Earth to purge it. 64:34; 109:38, 45; 101:11, 65, 98; 112:24, 30, 34: and 133:64 all emphasize clearly that the Earth will experience this great burning in the **VERY NEAR FUTURE** from 1831-37. 101:24 warns further that all people, beasts, and fish shall be consumed. V. 11 informs us in 1833 that this is “**SOON** to be poured out without measure upon **ALL** nations...”. These are among the hundreds of prophecies of Joseph Smith that **never happened**. Several false prophecies here.

DEVOURING FIRE: 97:26 states (1833) that if the Mormons do not do as God commands, that they will be driven out of Zion, Jackson County, Missouri, by various means, including a “devouring fire”. It was neighbors upset with their unacceptable

behavior with their women, etc., not a fire from God that drove out the Mormons, regardless of how faithful they supposedly were.

VAPOR OF SMOKE: 45:41 refers to “vapor of smoke”. D&C purports to be a perfect revelation from God (21:4-5; 68:1-4), yet every High School Chemistry student soon learns that smoke in no way can be called a vapor. For the KJV translation to say “vapor of smoke” in 1611 is permissible, but the language changed by the 1800s so that D&C is erroneous.

COMBUSTION OF GLASS: 130:6-7 declares that God and the angels dwell “on a globe like a sea of glass and fire.” As glass cannot burn, how is all that eternal fire supported? 129:1 says that angels have “bodies of flesh and bones” while 130:22 says that God the Father and God the Son have Bodies “of flesh and bones as tangible as man's”. This causes us to wonder how the globe could be of glass and fire if beings with humanlike bodies dwell there.

Also, what would they use to nourish their physical bodies? The Bible informs us in Revelation 20:10 that the Lake of Fire is for eternal punishment for Satan, his angels, and for those who do not live for Jesus, but D&C tells us that the Mormon god dwells on a sea of glass and fire. I do not ever want any of my many Mormon friends to go to such a place resembling the Biblical Hell!

TONGUES OF FIRE: In 109:36 Smith prayed by inspiration that “cloven tongues of fire” soon “will be poured out upon thy people” in the Temple at Kirtland, Ohio. This fire from Heaven never fell on their heads. Still another false prophecy as always.

ETERNAL ELEMENTS: 93:33 declares that “The elements are eternal...”. A High School Chemistry student can easily understand that the successive generations of radioisotopes (including their parental elements and daughter elements, etc.) are **obviously not eternal**. If elements were eternal, obviously there could be no radioactive elements left! Nuclear fission and fusion are further examples that take place on stars as well as in certain human activities. When metals such as copper come into contact with either zinc or iron, this would result in a building in which they would self destruct due to an electrolytic action. Case closed. Not a smart idea at all.

ELEMENT-SPIRIT UNION: 93:33 states that the elements and spirit are “inseparably **CONNECTED**.” In what sense can elements be spirit? All this contradicts v. 34 which says “And **WHEN SEPARATED**, man cannot receive a fullness of joy.” It also contradicts the Bible in many places. II Corinthians 5:6-8 promises believers that when we are “...absent from the body”, we are “...present with the Lord.” Many other examples could be cited. 45:17 speaks of “the long absence of your spirits from your bodies...”.

ELEMENTS TABERNACLE: 93:35 declares “The elements are the tabernacle of God; yea, man is the tabernacle of God...”. This claim flatly contradicts the Mormon doctrine that Heavenly Father is human-sized (e.g. 130:22; PGP Joseph Smith--History 2:17 ff; Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith pp. 345-346 that insist that Heavenly Father has a physical body and thus cannot indwell people.). Contradiction!

TOXIC CHEMICALS: 84:65, 71 and 72 assure us that “these signs **SHALL FOLLOW** them that believe”: poisons shall not harm them, including snake poisons. V. 75 even emphasizes that this “is in force from this **VERY HOUR** upon **ALL** the world.” This was in 1832. Do we hear any of the faithful volunteering to check this out? Why do emergency rooms in Utah hospitals have about the same percentage of poisoning victims as do other states? (See also 124:98). False prophecy.

METALS, ALLOYS, AND MINERALS: 124:27 instructs the faithful to bring iron, copper, brass, zinc, “and all your precious things of the earth”; and build a house to my name, for the Most High to dwell in.” This order was given in 1842 for the Temple at Nauvoo, Illinois. These metals, alloys, and minerals failed to provide a permanent

Temple at Nauvoo as the Mormons were soon driven out because of Mormon harassing the local women, etc., in spite of God's reported interventions.

SALT: 101:39-40 is taken from Matthew 5:3 which speaks of the faithful as “the salt of the earth”, and warns that if the salt loses its flavor, it is fit “only to be cast out and trodden under feet of men.” It is fine for the Bible to use the salt illustration nearly 2,000 years ago when the impure salt they had then could lose its flavor, leaving mostly impurities. It was the custom then to cast it on the roads to keep down weeds where people walked. But with our much purer salt today this illustration borrowed from ancient customs has lost its meaning unless explained. Surely, if D&C is inspired, it would use modern illustrations that need little if any explanation.

“Thou shalt have no other gods before me.” Exodus 20:3

ECONOMICS PROBLEMS

Being nice and pleasant as most Mormon missionaries are is no substitute for 100% honesty and integrity. These latter traits require that Mormons squarely face these and literally thousands of other very serious errors in their Scriptures and literature.

TALENTS/DOLLARS: D&C 104:69-73 equates talents with dollars. This is radically in error. While talents of gold and silver historically varied widely in value, they were worth many dollars, not one dollar. This would be a serious salary problem. See also Linguistics Problems.

BOARDING HOUSE, ETC.: 124:56 commands the building of a boarding house for the financial security of the Joseph Smith descendants. Vv. 57-59 promises that Joseph Smith and his posterity shall “have place in that house from generation to generation, **FOREVER AND EVER.**” Vv. 60-82 give further commands. These verses are a permanent monument to the ineptitude of Joseph Smith as a prophet. False prophecy. Never happened!

PRESIDENT'S MANSION: 94:3, etc. require for Joseph Smith's financial benefit that a house be built “for the presidency...in obtaining revelations...”. The rest of the section describes the dimensions of the house, the printing building, and lots for other church leaders. In spite of the detailed instructions “revealed by God”, the Mormon Headquarters was forced because of offensive behavior against non-Mormons (especially their women) to move soon afterwards.

“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth...” Romans 1:16

EMBRYOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

I am very sorry to have to say this to my delightful Mormon friends, but it is scientifically wrong for their Scriptures to contain such errors as:

ONLY SON AMONG MANY: On the one hand D&C refers to Jesus as the **ONLY BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD** in 20:21; 49:5; 76: 13, 25; 76: 23, 35, 57; and 93:11.

PGP agrees that Jesus is the **ONLY** begotten Son of God in Moses 1:6, 13, 16, 17, 19, 33; 2:26, 27; 3:18; 4:1, 2, 28; 5:7, 57; 6:52, 57, 62.

B.O.M. confirms that Jesus is the **ONLY** begotten in 2 Nephi 25:12; Alma 15:48; 9:26; and several other references.

But a very **SERIOUS CONTRADICTION** arises with overwhelming references from Mormon authorities that insist that Heavenly Father has had and still **sexually** sires **COUNTLESS** spirit children by numerous polygamous goddess wives, **MANY** of whom acquire physical bodies. See Bruce R. McConkie in Mormon Doctrine: “devil” pp. 192-193; Achieving a Celestial Marriage; and numerous other authorities.

There is **no way** that both concepts can be true. See also Genetics Problems below.

GENETICS PROBLEMS

Professors must never cease from correcting the constant errors they face. Having the purpose of 100% truthfulness, Geneticists must firmly but compassionately oppose such errors as:

AMERICAN INDIANS FROM JEWS: 19:27 states "...my word to the ... Jew, of whom the Lamanites (Native American Indians) are a remnant...". The honest sincere investigators of Joseph Smith's claim that D&C is the flawless inspired Word of God would do well to consider the Genetics of the races. Among the many Genetics experts who have addressed the topic of hereditary relationships of the races are: Bentley Glass (geneticist at Johns Hopkins University); W.C. Boyd (The Contributions of Genetics to Anthropology); Luca Cavilli-Sforze (Genetics Professor at Stanford University); Paolo Menozzi and Alberto Piazza (The History and Geography of Human Genes, Princeton University Press), etc.

These and **ALL** other Genetics authorities found in the Smithsonian Institution, medical centers, scientific research centers, and universities around the world overwhelmingly agree that when we compare the DNA and hereditary traits of Native American Indians and Mediterranean Jews with the Mongoloid, Negroid, and Caucasoid races, that it is perfectly and overwhelmingly obvious that Native American Indians are distinctly and typically Mongoloid and most definitely **NOT OF JEWISH ORIGIN** as Mormons claim! PERIOD.

They are not merely darker Jews (as the Book of Mormon says in 1 Nephi 5:21, Jacob 3:3-9, Mormon 5:15-17 -- especially in the older **UNALTERED** editions). Lamanites (American Indians) share with their fellow Mongoloids the DNA for prominent zygomatic arch (cheek bone), reduced facial and body hair, occasional Mongoloid blue spot (a birthmark generally at the base of the spine in some), dark brown eye color, black hair, straight hair, Mongoloid skin pigmentation, frequent Mongoloid eye fold, numerous blood traits (including the Diego blood group), and many others. They obviously easily migrated (as did their fellow Mongoloids, the Eskimos and Aleuts, still do) between Asia and Alaska. A little mixing has since taken place with the other two races.

David Glenn Smith, Ph.D. (Mormon) Molecular Anthropologist, Univ. of California at Davis, has spent over 30 years studying Native American genes. He has published dozens of articles. His is one of the leading test labs for Native American DNA "...genes in Native Americans... came from their ancestral (Oriental) populations... You can look for those genes in Jewish populations but you don't find them."

SPERMISM: Before the rediscovery of the laws of Genetics in 1901, there were two opposing false beliefs regarding the hereditary importance of males and females. Ovists believed that because the female carries the fetus and nurses the newborn that offspring get their life and most of their heredity from their mothers. Spermists believed that since males are usually larger and stronger than females, and since a female cannot reproduce without a male, that offspring get their life and most of their heredity from their fathers.

Both ovism and spermism were disproved by Gregor Mendel in the middle 1800s, and further by others in 1901 and since. But Joseph Smith died in 1844, and his erroneous belief in spermism is reflected in D&C 107:43 for all to see: "Because he (Seth) was a

perfect man, and his likeness was the **express likeness of his father**, insomuch that he seemed to be **like unto his father in ALL things**, and could be **distinguished from him ONLY by his age**.” Joseph Smith’s theory on spermism is obviously **totally false**. No child is ever exactly like a parent because we always receive our genes from **both** parents! (Prophets who add New Testament verses in their Scriptures are false.)

GEOGRAPHICAL PROBLEMS

Mormons are precious souls desperately in need of being rescued from eternal regret! Let's rescue the perishing! Mormons, please inform me where I am wrong.

RED SEA: 8:3 speaks of the Israelites crossing the Red Sea on dry ground. The Hebrew word for Red Sea in Exodus 13:18 and elsewhere is YAM SOOF which means Reed (or Papyrus) Sea. If Red Sea had been meant, the Hebrew YAM AW-DAHM would have been used. In order to have gone from the Egyptian capital to the Red Sea they would have had to travel about 300 miles to the south and make a U-turn on the other side for another 300 miles in order to head to the Promised Land. But God was leading them logically east and slightly north to the Promised Land. That extra 300 miles to the Red Sea would have unnecessarily and fatally exposed them to the Egyptian cavalry.

Also, the Red Sea is over 100 miles across and well over a mile deep (over 7,200 feet). Surely it would have been mentioned in the Bible if there were a wall of water over 100 miles long and over a mile high on either side! After all, if they averaged 15 miles a day with their elderly, children, and belongings, it would have taken nearly seven days to cross the Red Sea floor! Nothing is mentioned about their camping in the bed of the Red Sea. Besides, the Reed (or Papyrus) Sea had plenty of water at that time in history to bury the attacking cavalry. (See Strong's Concordance and Lexicon; Unger's Bible Dictionary; p. 914; The Layman's Bible Encyclopedia, p. 679; etc.).

Yet, Joseph Smith declared in History of the Church, Vol. 4, p. 461: “I told the brethren that the Book of Mormon was the MOST CORRECT OF ANY BOOK ON EARTH...”. It is? Where is it **ever** correct? (By implication D&C and PGP are included.)

COUNTRIES: The States of the U.S. are incorrectly called “countries” or “lands” in 45:64; 75:8, 13-15; 101:74; 103:29; etc.

EXTERMINATION OF CITIES: D&C 84:114 in 1832 instructs the bishop to go to New York, Albany, and Boston and warn them with a loud voice regarding the desolation and “utter abolishment which **AWAIT THEM** if they reject these things.” V. 115 warns “For if they do reject these things the hour of their judgment **IS NIGH**, and their house shall be left unto them desolate.” Yet, New York City, Albany, and Boston still exist! Does this help us to have a testimony about whether Joseph Smith is a true prophet? One among numerous false prophecies!

FAR WEST, MISSOURI: In 1838 115:7 quoted the Lord as saying “Let the city, Far West, be a holy and consecrated land unto me...”. V. 17 says: “...verily I say unto you, it is my will that the city of Far West should be built up speedily by the gathering of my saints.” Can this have really been God's will when the Rand McNally Road Atlas reveals that there is no city today in Missouri by that name, to say nothing of the fact that there is no concentrated population of LDS people there? If this were really God's will, could He not have prevented the Mormons from being driven out of Missouri?

WORLDWIDE GOSPEL DISPERSAL POINT: 38:32-33 stated in 1831 that God will send missionaries from Kirtland, Ohio, to “go forth among **ALL** nations...and no power shall stay my hand.” But, Kirtland was never noted as a staging center for sending missionaries “among **ALL** nations”. 39:15 says of Kirtland: “I have kept in store a blessing such as is not known among the children of men, and it shall be poured forth upon their heads. And from thence men shall go forth into **ALL** nations.” False prophecy.

KIRTLAND TEMPLE: 84:4 states that “the temple shall be reared in **THIS** generation” in Kirtland, Ohio, to be renamed New Jerusalem. That was 1832. V. 5 assures us: “For verily **THIS GENERATION** shall not pass away until a house shall be built unto the Lord...”. V. 31 confirms this as speaking of “the house of the Lord, which house shalt be built unto the Lord in **THIS (1832) GENERATION**, upon the consecrated spot as I have appointed.” But the construction was destroyed soon afterwards, and the Mormons were driven out because of offensive behavior against women, stealing, revealing Masonic secrets in LDS temple rituals. The Christian point of view is that when God promises or prophesies something, the results cannot be altered by His enemies.

RLDS KIRTLAND TEMPLE: D&C 109:2 commands that a Temple be built at Kirtland, Ohio. It still exists, but is in the hands of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, whose Headquarters is at Independence, Missouri. False prophecy for LDS. It has since changed its name to Community of Christ to avoid some of the problems caused by the Utah Mormons.

CHRIST'S PRESENCE: The introduction to Section 109 says that “this prayer was given to him (Joseph Smith) by revelation.” This means that Christ's “holy presence” would “be **CONTINUALLY** in this house” (i.e., the Kirtland Temple) according to v. 12. It was revealed in v. 23 for Smith to pray that “from this place they may bear exceedingly great and glorious tidings, in truth, unto the ends of the earth, that they may know that this is thy work, and that thou hast put forth thy hand...”. V. 24 prays by revelation that God will establish “worship...in this thy house, to **ALL GENERATIONS** and for **ETERNITY**.” These 1836 revelations never occurred to the satisfaction of LDS. Christ's “body of flesh and bones” (130:22) **NEVER EVER** appeared! As we stated with 38:32-33 above, Kirtland never became noted as a base for missionaries “unto the ends of the earth.” And, the worship that was established in the Kirtland Temple was for the RLDS (now Community of Christ), the greatest rival of LDS! Very false prophecy again!

CATASTROPHE: 42:64 warns that those converts in the eastern U.S.A. must flee westward immediately to avoid the **SOON** “consequence of that which is coming on the earth...”. That dire prediction was in 1831, yet the eastern states have existed for several generations. False again.

INDEPENDENCE, JACKSON COUNTY TEMPLE: 97:10 (1833) requires that Jackson County, Mo., shall be the location of a Temple. 97:19 promises that “...the nations of the earth shall honor her, and shall say: Surely Zion is the city of our God, and surely Zion cannot fall, neither be moved out of her place, for God is there...”. V. 17 warns that if the Temple “be defiled, I will not come into it...”. One strong reason God did not come into the Temple was that Mormon antisocial behavior caused them to be run out of the state soon afterwards. False prophecy.

ASSURANCES: 101:70-74, etc. (1833) assure us that Zion will be definitely established in Jackson County, Missouri in spite of persecutions mentioned in Sections 98 and 101. 101:99-101 confirms that it is most certainly God's will that they must be established in Jackson County, Missouri. False prophecy.

USE OF FORCE: 105:28-30 (1834) emphatically affirms that God says “it is my will that these lands (in Jackson County, Missouri) should be purchased...I will hold the armies of Israel guiltless in taking possession of their own lands...and avenging me of mine enemies unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me.” Needless to say, visiting in the Independence and Jackson, Co. area reveals nothing of avenging upon the third and fourth generations of descendants. False prophecy as usual.

NEW JERUSALEM: 84:2 says in 1832 that the permanent Zion in Independence, Missouri, “shall be the city of the New Jerusalem.” This contradicts 45:66-71 which designated Kirtland, Ohio, as the New Jerusalem. Anyway, it never became the New

Jerusalem either. The Mormons got driven out because of their antics. However, it since became the Headquarters for the largest rival of the Utah Mormons--the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Now called Community of Christ). False prophecy for LDS.

TEMPLE LOT: 84:31 insists that a permanent temple will be built “in **THIS** generation, upon the consecrated spot as I have appointed.” See also 58:57; 84:3-5; 97:10-20; 124:51 for repeated prophecies that the temple will definitely be built on the place still called “Temple Lot” even today. The lot designated by Joseph Smith is owned by one of the 243 or so sects that splintered apart, called Church of Christ (Temple Lot). “This generation” was written in September, 1831, but the continuing controversy between the different sects of Joseph Smith's followers has prevented the fulfillment of all these prophecies by Smith! False prophecies.

FLOURISH: 64:41 promises definitely that Zion, Independence, Jackson Co., Missouri, will flourish. 82:14 states “For Zion (Jackson Co.) **MUST** increase in beauty, and in holiness, her borders **MUST** be enlarged...”. It failed. False prophecy.

PERMANENT HQ: 69:8 promises “for the rising generations of Zion (Jackson Co.) to possess it from generation to generation, **FOREVER AND EVER**. Amen.” 78:3-4 asserts that Zion shall be “a **PERMANENT** and **EVERLASTING** establishment...”

CONTINUING NAUVOO TEMPLE ORDERS: 127:4 orders “...thus saith the Lord; let the work of my temple...**be continued on and not cease...**”. This was in 1842, but the Nauvoo Temple **was burned** soon afterwards. V. 9 is even more strange: “and again, let all the records...be put in the archives of my holy temple, to be held in remembrance from generation to generation, saith the Lord of Hosts.” But, although Section 127 states that God wanted the Nauvoo Temple to be the depository of the records of the baptisms for the dead, the Utah Mormons **persist in depositing them in Utah!** False prophecy.

NAUVOO TEMPLE: 124:31 (1838) quotes God: “But I command you...to build a house unto me...”. This new attempt for a permanent Temple building was at Nauvoo, Illinois. (See vv. 22, 39, 45, 51). V. 45 promises “...verily I say unto you they **shall not be moved** out of their place.” But, they **did get moved out of their place soon afterwards!** They moved back in when the temple was rebuilt in 2002.

COMMAND REVERSAL: Sections 56-59 (1831) reverse God's firm command in 45:66-71 to say that **God has now decided to set up His PERMANENT Zion in Jackson County, Missouri**. 62:6 declares that it is to be “**preserved...in the land of Missouri**. I, the Lord **PROMISE** the faithful and **CANNOT LIE**.” 63:25 assures us that “I, the Lord, hold it in mine own hands.” It is for reasons like this that the Reorganized Church (Community of Christ) maintains its Headquarters in Independence, Jackson County, Missouri. This passage is a real problem to those followers of Joseph Smith that have their Headquarters elsewhere.

WORLDWIDE IMMIGRATION: 64:42 states that “there shall come unto her out of **EVERY** nation under heaven.” This sounds good, but it never happened of course.

ZARAHMLA, IOWA: 125:3 says “Let them build up a city unto my name upon the land opposite the city of Nauvoo, and let the name of Zarahemla be named upon it.” An examination of a Rand McNally Road Atlas for Iowa reveals no community there named Zarahemla. Shall we conclude that God was mistaken, that God was too weak to carry out His plans, or shall our testimony be that Joseph Smith was **NOT** a true prophet?

NEW CAPITAL: Section 136 gives instructions for starting the next “permanent” Zion elsewhere (i.e. Utah), this time under Brigham Young in 1847. Joseph Smith had been shot in 1844. Interestingly, although the Temple and Headquarters had been relocated several times due to pressures from non-Mormons upset at Mormon misbehavior, v.17 states: “Go thy way and do as I have told you, and fear not thine

enemies; for they shall not have power to stop my work.” But, Mormonism had been stopped several times up to this point partly because of copying Masonic secrets into Temple rituals.

WORLDWIDE GATHERING: 133:7 is overstated when it says that “the time has come when the voice of the Lord is unto you: Go ye out of Babylon; gather ye out from among the nations, from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.” That was back in 1831, and God did not end this Age of Grace at that time. Believers were not gathered from all of the Earth. Neither was the rest of Section 133 fulfilled at that time. Joseph Smith is a False Prophet.

(If a prophet is proven false, it should not alter our trust in Biblical churches!)

“Thou shalt not steal.” Exodus 20:15 “Thou shalt not commit adultery” Exodus 20:14

GEOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

There is not much that I would not do to help my many Mormon friends in any way I possibly can. But helping them to move to spiritual truth in the True Jesus from errors as the following in their Scriptures is of eternal benefit:

STORMS: The whole Earth is **SOON** to be plagued with serious storms (88:90). V. 79 says that these “must **SHORTLY** come to pass”. That was in 1832. 115:6 says that the storm “shall be poured out without mixture upon the **WHOLE** earth. That was 1838. These highly destructive tempests never happened. **Joseph Smith made hundreds of prophecies, 100% of which were false. What does this prove about him as a prophet?**

LIGHTNING AND THUNDER: The Earth is **SOON** to be bombarded with devastating lightning and thunder (43:21, 87:6, and 88:90), and **WORLDWIDE** lightning and thunder shall be most impressive (43:22). It shall be so severe as to bring about “a full end of **ALL** nations” (87:6). 88:87 indicates that these are among the signs that “are **NOT MANY** days hence”. That was 1832. Section 43 that was referred to was written in 1831. 43:17 says that the day “**IS NIGH**.” Worldwide lightning and thunder simply do not occur with our Earth's present atmospheric conditions. Never happened.

VAPORS OF SMOKE: People around the Earth will **SOON** see “vapors of smoke” just before Jesus comes again (45:41). This 1831 prophecy asserts in 45:21 that “**THIS GENERATION** of Jews shall not pass away until...” signs such as this take place. Nothing like this happened in the generation of 1831 or since! Furthermore, no meteorologist would ever approve of such an unscientific term as “vapors of smoke”. Smoke is not a vapor. Surely the Creator would never use such terminology. Joseph Smith is a 100% false prophet. See Chemistry Problems: Vapors of Smoke.

MIGHTY RUSHING WIND: By inspiration in 1836 Joseph Smith prayed that “a mighty rushing wind” would fill the Temple at Kirtland, Ohio (109:37). There were no such forceful winds reported inside the Temple. False again.

CLOUDS AT SECOND COMING: The clouds will **SOON** reveal Jesus Christ at His Second Coming, and the saints will meet Him in the clouds (45:16, 44, 45; 76:63; and 34:7). The 34:7 revelation was given in 1830. V.7 says that the time “is **SOON** at hand”. The Section 45 references were revealed in 1831. V. 37 says the time “is **NOW** at hand” for this. It did not happen. False prophecy. “Deja vu all over again!”

CLOUD ON TEMPLE: In 1832 the following revelation was given in 84:5 regarding the Temple in Independence, Jackson Co., Missouri: “For verily **THIS GENERATION** shall not all pass away until a house shall be built unto the Lord, and a cloud shall rest upon it, which cloud shall even be the glory of the Lord, which shall fill the house.” Needless to say, that generation saw no such cloud. Joseph Smith is a false prophet, as always.

HAIL WORLDWIDE: Just before the Second Coming, 29:16 tells us “There shall be a great hailstorm sent forth to destroy the crops of the earth.” When shall this terrifying event occur? V. 9 warns that “the hour is **NIGH** and the day **SOON** at hand...”. That was way back in 1830. **There has never ever been a worldwide hailstorm in all history.** Another false prophecy.

HAIL TO ATTACK ENEMIES: In 1836 Joseph Smith prayed by inspiration that those opposing the establishment of the Temple at Kirtland, Ohio, will “be swept away by the hail...” (109:30). This prayer, though reportedly revealed, never was answered. I am not aware of a **single correct prophecy** by Joseph Smith. Yet he made many hundreds of false prophecies!

FAMINE WORLDWIDE: A terrible worldwide devastating famine is **ABOUT** to occur, according to 87:6 (1832) that will make “a full end of all nations”. V. 1 affirms that this “will **SHORTLY** come to pass”, while the rest of Section 87 assures us that this will be associated with the coming U.S. Civil War. But, the World has never experienced such a devastating, cataclysmic lack of rain. As with all of his prophecies, this is false!

EVERLASTING HILLS: D&C 133:31 predicts: “...the everlasting hills shall tremble...”

- A. The surface of the Earth is in a constant state of gradual uplifting, eroding, sinking, and thrusting. Geologically, this statement is an error, as any geologist will testify. Check any book on physical geology, vulcanology, diastrophism, etc.
- B. In attempting to answer this difficulty in D&C many Mormon scholars point out that the KJV of the Bible in Genesis 49:26 speaks of “the everlasting hills” while Habakkuk 3:6 refers to “the everlasting mountains”. But it is a **VERY WEAK** defense to defend one's viewpoint by pointing to supposed weaknesses of others.
- C. In checking the original Hebrew of Genesis 49:26 and Hab. 3:6 for “everlasting” we find that Hebrew scholars agree that the Hebrew word here for “everlasting” is OW-LAM', and has several meanings. They all agree with Strong's Hebrew and Chaldee Lexicon in saying that OW-LAM' can mean “concealed, time out of mind, eternity, always, ancient, any more, of old, old, long time, beginning of the world, without end, perpetuate”, etc. Thus, the original Hebrew does not insist on the literal eternal nature of specific hills. D&C should use modern English.
- D. However, D&C is different because Joseph Smith and Mormon scholars insist on the exact accuracy of B.O.M., D&C, and PGP, but only accept the Bible “so far as it is translated correctly.” So, why don't they translate it correctly or stop criticizing the Bible? A very good and honest idea.

DANGEROUS RIVER: D&C 61 tells how Joseph Smith and ten elders traveled down the Missouri River. Elder Phelps saw “the destroyer” in broad daylight having great destructive power over the river. Note the frightful power: V. 4 “...there are many dangers upon the waters...” V. 5 “For I, the Lord, have decreed in mine anger many destructions upon the waters, yea, and **MINE UPON THESE WATERS.**” V. 6 “Nevertheless, all flesh is in mine hand, and he that is faithful among you **SHALL NOT PERISH** by the waters.” V. 14 “...the Lord...blessed the waters; but in the last days...I cursed the waters.”

V. 15 “...the days come that **NO FLESH SHALL BE SAFE** upon the waters.” V. 16 “...in days to come...none is able to go to the land of Zion upon the waters, but he that is upright in heart.” V. 18 “...a commandment...that you shall forewarn your brethren concerning these waters, that they **COME NOT** in journeying upon them, lest their faith fail...”

V. 19 "...I, the Lord, have decreed and the destroyer rideth upon the face thereof, and I revoke not the decree." V. 22 "And **IT MATTERETH NOT** unto me...if it so be, that they fulfill their mission, whether they go by water or by land; let this be as it is made known to them by their judgments, hereafter."

V. 23 "...concerning my servants, Sidney Rigdon, Joseph Smith, Jun, and Oliver Cowdery, let **THEM COME NOT AGAIN** upon the waters, save it be upon the canal... or in other words they shall not come upon the waters to journey save upon the canal." V. 27 "...unto whom is given **POWER TO COMMAND THE WATERS**, unto him it is given by the Spirit to know all his ways." V. 28 "...let him do as the Spirit of the living God commandeth him, whether upon the land or upon the waters..."

Each of the several times I read D&C 61, I tried to make sense out of it. Note:

- A. Why would the Lord expect his prophet and the elders to travel **UNPROTECTED** on the Missouri River that He had cursed?
- B. Interestingly, no reason whatever is given for God's curse on the Missouri River. Not one!
- C. V. 5 places God's curse "especially upon these waters." However, any geologist familiar with the rivers of the World will quickly testify that the Missouri River is **NOT** especially more dangerous than many other rivers.
- D. However, v. 6 promises **ABSOLUTE PROTECTION** to the faithful. Period.
- E. In spite of **UNCONDITIONAL PROTECTION PROMISED** in v. 6, to the faithful, v. 15 warns that **NO ONE SHALL BE SAFE**.
- F. V. 16 confuses the issue further in promising that the **UPRIGHT SHALL** be **SAFE**. You can't have it both ways!
- G. The wishy washy nature of this passage is shown further in v. 18 in which the brethren are **WARNED NOT TO TRAVEL ON THE RIVER** as their faith might fail. But, would God's promise in v. 6 fail?
- H. V. 19 warns that the Lord decreed that the destroyer (an angel or demon?) rides on the river, and that God will not revoke the decree. Why all this wavering? Is God vicious even to the innocent?
- I. In v. 22 God says that He **DOES NOT CARE** whether they go by the river or by land. A strange God this is who simultaneously warns of disaster, promises protection, and indicates a "don't care" attitude about the mode of travel! Amazing!
- J. V. 23 next **WARNS THREE** of the top leaders **NOT TO TRAVEL** on the river.
- K. V. 23 unnecessarily **REPEATS ITSELF**.
- L. V. 27 says that God has the power to command the river. Then, why does He **NOT** protect His own people?
- M. The warnings in 61:4-28 conflict with v. 1 that promises that "the Lord has all power", and v. 36 that promises that "I (Christ) have not forsaken you." So why do so many of verses 4-28 express helplessness and fear? Is this God?

EARTH'S IMMEDIATE DESTRUCTION: Joseph Smith was able to win many converts by prophesying sure dire false geological catastrophes to occur back in the 1830s. Thus, 43:17 warns "Hearken ye, for behold, the great day of the Lord **IS NIGH AT HAND**". Smith **lied** again. V. 20 practically screams at the listener in 1831: "Prepare **YOURSELVES** for the great day of the Lord." Verses 21-25 foretell the very **SOON** to 1831 coming of worldwide thunders, lightnings, tempests, earthquakes, hailstorms, famines, pestilences of every kind, great sound of a trump, etc. with the message (v. 22) "repent ye, for the great day of the Lord **IS COME**".

43:26 reports that now (1831) "Behold, the day **HAS COME**, when the cup of wrath of mine indignation is full." Already happened! [Why did you miss it?!](#)

V. 28 seeks to frighten the listener with the threat that this is the “**LAST TIME** -- for the **LAST TIME** call upon the inhabitants of the earth.”

Similar urgency is found in 88:84-97ff. Thus, D&C 88:87 cautions “For **NOT MANY DAYS HENCE** and the earth shall tremble and reel to and fro...”. That was prophesied way back in 1832 over 170 years ago. Never happened!

“**Not many days**” between December 27, 1832 and worldwide geological destruction? It is about 61,366 days from that date to January 1, 2000. That would be obviously “many days”. As usual, here is still another false prophecy.

But many other references in D&C and the other Mormon literature are clear in insisting on the return of God in judgment **very close to the 1830s!**

Joseph Smith uses the expression, “it came to pass”, an exhausting 1,297 times in B.O.M., while his small PGP uses it 54 times. I have yet to find even one of [the prophet's prophecies that ever did come to pass as he stated](#). Perhaps you can help me here. **I am most willing to listen.**

SEAS LEAVING THEIR BOUNDS: 88:90 warns that one of the signs of Christ's **SOON** return will be “the waves of the sea heaving themselves beyond their bounds” as a result of worldwide storms. This 1832 prophecy of the last days is to be “**NOT MANY DAYS HENCE**” (v. 87) from 1833. This has never been a worldwide problem. Never.

NORTHERN OCEAN: 133:23 says of the time of the soon to 1831 Second Coming of Jesus: “He shall command the great deep, and it shall be driven back into the north countries, and the islands shall become one land.” This would be strange and certainly not advantageous in light of the fact that the surface of the Earth is close to 70% water. IF the oceans were all driven northwards, **all the land would be in the southern 30% of the Earth centered around Antarctica**. This would be an extremely poor arrangement as it would produce much more desert than we now have!

And, much of the land would be taken up with Antarctic and near Antarctic conditions. The fishing industry would be **seriously hampered**. Rains for crops would be **seriously reduced**. In fact there would be no advantage whatever. Utah along with all of North America, Europe, and Asia would be covered with ocean. Most of Mormonism's present temples would be submerged. It contradicts the several prophecies of the eternal locations of temples in Kirtland, Independence, Nauvoo, Utah, etc. The seas never changed. [What kind of false god would do this?](#)

DESERTS ENDING: 133:29 declares “in the barren deserts there shall come forth pools of living water; and the parched ground shall no longer be a thirsty land.” Vv. 10-20, etc. insist that this 1831 prophecy is to be fulfilled **RIGHT AWAY!** Then, why are there still deserts? This prophecy **contradicts** the one above on “Northern Ocean”. Joseph Smith is a false, false prophet!

CRYSTAL EARTH: 130:9 says: “This earth, in its sanctified and immortal state, will be made like unto crystal...”. This would require a vast reduction in iron, tin, aluminum, copper, zinc, sulfur, and many other essential substances. The word, crystal, has several meanings. It can mean glass, quartz, or any mineral that forms into regular geometric designs (e.g., granite). Snow is a crystalline form of water. Is all water to be turned into snow? What possible advantage could it be to have a crystalline Earth in light of the fact that Joseph Smith asserted (129:1-9 etc.) that the faithful in the Celestial Kingdom will have bodies of flesh and bones?

MOUNT OF OLIVES TO SPLIT: 45:48 is taken from Zechariah 14:4-5 which says that the Mount of Olives shall split when Christ returns to stand on it. But 45:48 tries to force this prophecy to the **IMMEDIATE** future to 1831! V. 19 says it will occur in “**THIS** generation”. V. 21 limits the splitting of the Mount of Olives to “**THIS** generation”. Never happened. False as usual.

MOUNT SINAI: 29:13 in relating Mount Sinai to the trumpet, etc. of the Second Coming is confusing Mount Sinai in the southern desert of Israel with the Mount of Olives near Jerusalem to which Jesus will come (Zechariah 14:4-5). A serious error!

MOUNT ZION: 133:56 prophesies: “And the graves of the saints shall be opened; and they shall come forth and stand on the right hand of the Lamb, when he shall stand upon Mount Zion...and they shall sing the song of the Lamb, day and night forever and ever.” The whole of Section 133 has a sense of **URGENCY** that implies that all of this was to happen on Mount Zion **RIGHT AWAY** (from 1831). False prophecy again!

URIM AND THUMMIN: “This earth, in its sanctified and immortal state...will be a Urim and Thummin to the inhabitants who dwell thereon...” (130:9). (See Astronomical Problems”). The Urim and Thummin was a breastplate with special stones attached. **In no way** can the Earth be said to become or to resemble a breastplate with stones attached! Nor can Earth's purpose be said to help a future High Priest ascertain the Will of God (Numbers 27:21).

WHITE STONE: According to 130:10, “the white stone mentioned in Revelation 2:17, will become a Urim and Thummin to each individual who receives one, whereby things pertaining to a higher order of kingdoms will be made known.” In no way can a single stone be said to be a whole Urim and Thummin (breastplate for the High Priest to which 12 special stones were attached--Numbers 27:21). Furthermore, the Jewish High Priest used the Urim and Thummin to help discern the Will of God. This certainly will be totally unnecessary in eternity. Can't Joseph Smith get **any** prophecy right?

MINERALS: 124:26-27 requires of believers: “Come ye, with all your gold, silver, and your precious stones, and with all your antiquities; and with iron, with copper, and with brass, and with zinc, and with all your precious things of the earth; and build a house to my name, for the Most High to dwell therein.” Even though V. 31 says in 1841 for them to build a **permanent** Temple in Nauvoo, Illinois, it only lasted a **few short years**. And, contrary to the specific command, it was not constructed primarily of precious metals, jewels, or even of base metals. Did not happen. False.

WORLDWIDE FIRE: The Earth is to be destroyed by fire in the early 1800's associated with Jesus' Second Coming. 29:9 says “the hour is **NIGH** and the day is **SOON** at hand” for the burning. That was in 1830. 64:23-24 in 1831 implies that the burning is **SOON**. 101:11 (1833) says that the burning described in v. 66 “is **SOON** to be poured out...”. In 1836 109:46 expresses that the worldwide fire **WILL NOT BE VERY FAR OFF**. In 1837, 112:24 is clear when it declares: “vengeance cometh **SPEEDILY** upon the inhabitants of the earth, a day of wrath, a day of burning, a day of desolation...and as a whirlwind it shall come upon all the face of the earth, saith the Lord.” V. 34 says “I come **QUICKLY**...”. In 1831 133:64 applies Malachi 4:1 to the near future for 1831 regarding the Worldwide Fire. Obviously, this worldwide fire never happened. False prophecies.

MOUNTAINS IN JERUSALEM: 133:13 warns “let them...flee unto Jerusalem, unto the mountains of the Lord's house.” There are no true mountains whatever in the old Temple area or anywhere else in Jerusalem.

GEOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE: At the Lord's **SOON** Second Coming, 101:32-34 predicts that He “shall reveal **ALL** things...which no man knew, things of the earth, by which it was made...things that are beneath, things that are in the earth, and upon the earth...”. No explanation is given for why people after the Second Coming would want or need to know “**ALL** things” regarding geological minute details. Besides, this total knowledge of geological facts was never revealed in the 1830's or 1840's or for when it was prophesied to occur since. Very false prophecy.

LEVELING OF THE LAND: 49:23 predicts that the valleys will be exalted, the mountains be made low, and the rough places made smooth “when the angel shall sound

his trumpet.” This 1831 prophecy was to be fulfilled “**QUICKLY**” according to 49:28. Other verses agree that this was to happen **RIGHT AWAY**. 109:74 is similar, and again, the context indicates that it should take place **SOON**. 133:22 says that Christ's voice (not the angel's trumpet) “shall break down the mountains, and the valleys shall not be found.” This 1831 prophecy is to be fulfilled **SOON** according to 133:13-21, 133:40, 44, and 109:74 **CONTRADICT** the prophecy that the mountains shall **break down**. They say that the mountains shall **melt**. But neither the angel's trumpet nor Christ's Voice caused the mountains either to crumble or to melt in or near the 1830's or since. Erroneous prophecy.



WORLDWIDE EARTHQUAKES: 45:33 predicted an increase of earthquakes throughout the Earth. 45:19 says that such punishment shall involve “**THIS** generation” (of 1831). V. 21 includes the earthquakes as among the serious problems facing “**THIS** generation of Jews”. 88:89 warns of the near future to 1832 of “earthquakes, that shall cause groanings in the midst of her, and men shall fall upon the ground, and shall not be able to stand.” V. 87 says those are “**NOT MANY DAYS HENCE...**”.

These unusual worldwide earthquakes were to be associated with the Second Coming. According to the U.S. Geological Survey, the 20th Century has been characterized by many more earthquakes than was the 19th century. There have never been such worldwide devastating earthquakes as discussed. Very false prophecy!

REEL TO AND FRO: 45:48 and 49:23 declare that the Earth shall “reel to and fro as a drunken man.” 45:21 insists that this is one of the signs that “**THIS** generation of Jews” shall experience. V. 19 limits this to “**THIS** generation”. That was in 1831. The urgency expressed throughout Section 49 (1831) is based on the assumption that Earth's reeling will take place **RIGHT AWAY**. Wrong again as is typical of all of Joseph Smith's several hundred prophecies.

UNDER THE EARTH: 88:79 speaks “of things both in heaven and in the earth, and under the earth...”. A book which purports to be divinely inspired and correct should avoid such erroneous terminology as “under the earth.” 101:34 uses the expression, “beneath the earth,” likewise reflecting **ancient** false notions.

FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH: 124:3 speaks of the “four corners of the world”. 45:46 refers to the “four quarters of the earth”. 110:11 speaks of the “four parts of the earth”. It is true that the KJV translation speaks of the “four corners of the earth” in Revelation 7:1. However, Revelation is obviously an extremely figurative Book and is thus beyond criticism. The only other place it occurs in the KJ Version is in Isaiah 11:12. The Hebrew word KANAF, rather than corners, is better translated as “extremities, areas, or directions”. Isaiah 40:22 shows that Isaiah realized that the Earth is round. D&C, however, is not noted for figurative language. It is claimed by Mormons to be absolutely correct and literal. This makes such expressions obviously incorrect.

“Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.” Exodus 20:8

HISTORICAL AND PROPHECY PROBLEMS

These are commonly found throughout the other topics and are not included here because they would be duplicated. **“Thou shalt not bear false witness.” Exodus 20:16**

LINGUISTICS PROBLEMS

I definitely need your help! On the one hand I wish my Mormon friends well, while on the other hand I need someone to explain how we are supposed to believe these concepts. Fellow Christians, please keep trying to help your Mormon friends. Focus their attention on how their Scriptures are filled with hundreds of errors like these, unlike the Bible:

ARCHAIC EXPRESSIONS: While it is to be expected that archaic writings will reflect the expressions of their times, not only is it unnecessary for modern writings to insert these, but also it makes the modern writings sound fake, and like imitations, the understandability is reduced, and the likelihood of misinterpretation is increased. There is no genuine value whatever for using archaic expressions with modern readers.

ARCHAIC INCONSISTENCIES: D&C is grossly inconsistent throughout in switching back and forth between imitations of archaic KJV expressions and modern English. This gives the impression that Joseph Smith was trying to sound “religious” and authentic, but frankly does not know how. One of the numerous examples is the way Section 5 bounces back and forth between “you have” or “you should” (v. 4) and the archaic “thou art” (v. 35). Then, v. 28 says “except he humble himself”. The archaic form would be “except he humblest himself.” V. 31 actually says “except thou do”. The writer is obviously ignorant of archaic usage. He should have either said “unless you do” in modern English or “except thou doest” in archaic English. These constant kinds of inconsistencies and errors are found throughout D&C, and are **irrefutable evidences against its inspiration!**

SUFFER: 10:14; 61:4 and 8; 88:134 are among the numerous examples of using the archaic “suffer” in the sense of “permit”, “let”, or “allow”. 88:131 is one of many examples of reverting to the modern “let”. Not only is “suffer” less clear to modern readers, but also the inconsistency realistically raises serious doubts about the authenticity of D&C as genuine revelations.

MEET: Few people today know that the archaic English word, “meet”, meant “proper”, “suitable” or “appropriate”. Its use in a modern “revelation” (e.g., 19:8; 41:6; and 58:26) clearly reduces the usefulness of D&C. There is no advantage whatever in limiting God's speech to archaic usage. It makes Him seem less relevant to today's problems, and makes Him less understandable.

QUICK: The archaic word, “quick”, did not mean merely “fast”, but “alive” or “living”. For 27:1 and 33:1 to use “quick” in the 1800's is confusing to modern readers.

VERILY: For the KJ translation of the Bible to use archaic expressions is to be expected as it was first translated in 1611. But for a book written in the 1800's to say such things as "behold, verily, verily" as in 28:2 sounds down right **FAKE**. Jesus and the Apostles and Prophets did not use antiquated Aramaic or Hebrew. Besides how many moderns know that "verily" means "truly"?

SAME WHICH: 38:1 refers to Jesus Christ as "the same which" instead of the correct "the same Who".

ENSAMPLE: Instead of "example", 62:2-3; 72:23, 26; etc. use the archaic "ensample" which is not clearly understood by all modern readers, and makes God seem old fashioned and irrelevant to people today.

GIRD LOINS: It is less meaningful for today when 73:6 says "Gird up your loins and be sober." Today we would correct that to say "get ready and be serious".

LIST: How many people today know that the archaic word "list" in 98:21 means "desire"?

METED: Not many people today know that the archaic word "meted" in 98:24 means "measured".

WAX(ED): The archaic word "wax" or "waxed" is used in many places, e.g. 121:45 in the sense of "become" or "became".

TERRIBLE: 133:43 plays on the 1611 KJ translation of Isaiah 64:3 in saying of God: "When thou doest terrible things...". In modern English that archaic KJV expression degenerates unintentionally into a blasphemy. The Hebrew YARE should be rendered, not "terrible", but "fearful" or "frightening". If Smith were a true prophet of God, he would certainly have known that. False prophet.

MORE ESPECIALLY: It is not an archaism but an outright grammatical error when 38:2 and 42:45 say "more especially" instead of "especially".

NUMEROUS GRAMMATICAL ERRORS ADMITTED: Interestingly, 67:5-9 reveals that in his day many people had questioned that Joseph Smith's writings were true revelations from God because of their very numerous errors. As 67:5 admits, "...his language you have known, and his imperfections you have known...". A review of the original Book of Commandments, D&C, B.O.M., PGP, and others of Smith's writings reveal numerous horrible grammatical and spelling errors. To authenticate this statement would be to reprint his writings in the original. Many of these "infallible revelations" have since been considerably altered to try to cover up the charade in D&C.

EXPEDIENT IN: It is grammatically incorrect for 72:2 to say "expedient in" instead of "expedient of" in 72:2. This is about as effective as squirting perfume on a corpse.

FATHER AND I AM: There are grammatical errors when 84:74 and 98:18 say "where my Father and I am". Obviously, the plural "Father and I" requires the plural verb, "are". Wrong again.

THEM OF THE CELESTIAL WORLD: 88:2 says "**THEM** of the celestial world" when it should say "**THOSE** of the celestial world". Grammar unworthy of Scripture!

TIMES IS: 45:28 has a plural noun and a singular verb: "And when the times of the Gentiles is come...". Amazing.

ISAIAH IN OLD TESTAMENT - ESIAH IN ABRAHAM: D&C 84:13 actually says "Esias also lived in the days of Abraham...". But Esias is the Greek form of Isaiah who lived around 750 BC while Abraham lived around 2,100 BC!

FAITH ON: 29:42 should say "faith in".

CAPITALIZATION ERRORS: In many places in the original D&C, proper names were left uncapitalized. Thus, in what is now 29:49 and 35:24 Satan is lower

cased. 42:12 in the original D&C, lower cased “Bible” and “Book” in Book of Mormon, etc. There are many other examples also.

COMMA ERRORS: To list all of the comma flaws in the original D&C would necessitate reprinting almost the whole thing. One can hardly lay the blame for these solely on the professional printer who tried repeatedly to get Joseph Smith to let him correct them! Very numerous flaws.

PREPOSITION ERRORS: These are common throughout the original D&C. One example among many is in what is now 42:16, which says “...as seemeth me good.” It should say “to me”. In spite of the fact that the LDS Church authorities have presumed to correct numerous grammatical errors in their Scriptures, here is one among many that remains even in the 1982 version and since.

PRACTISED: “Practiced” is misspelled in 123:5.

CELESTIAL, TERRESTRIAL, AND TELESTIAL KINGDOMS: 76:70-112 and 88:18-38 describe the supposed three Kingdoms in Eternity. The highest Kingdom is the Celestial. The intermediate Kingdom is the Terrestrial, while the lowest is the Telestial Kingdom. Anyone familiar with Linguistics should find difficulty with that erroneous usage of these terms. As Terrestrial means Earthly, one would naturally assume that would be the lowest Kingdom. Celestial pertains to the sky, so that Kingdom should be higher than the Terrestrial Kingdom. “Tele” means “far” or “distant”, as in telephone, telegraph, telescope, television”, etc., so it should naturally be above the Earthly Kingdom.

Obviously one would not expect that “Telestial” would be the name of the lowest Kingdom! Telestial should logically be the name of the Kingdom farthest up! Why can't Prophet Joseph get **ANYTHING** right?!

ELIAS AND ELIJAH: 27:6, 7, 9 and 110:12-14 incorrectly distinguish between Elias and Elijah. Elias is simply the Greek form of the Hebrew Elijah! Gross error!

ESAIAS AND ISAIAH: 76:100 lists various Biblical characters, and says: “...and some of Esaias, and some of Isaiah...”. Esaias is merely the Greek form of the Hebrew name Isaiah! A true prophet would know this. Joseph Smith is obviously a False Prophet.

ESAIAS IN OLD TESTAMENT: 84:13 asserts that “Esaias also lived in the days of Abraham...”. It is grossly inappropriate to use this Greek form of the Hebrew name Isaiah when translating from Hebrew into English. Besides, Abraham and Isaiah lived about 700 years apart! Another of many errors.

SABAOOTH: 95:7 speaks of “...the Lord of Sabaoth, which is by interpretation, the creator of the first day, the beginning and the end.” No Sir! “Sabaoth” is Hebrew for “armies”. Lord of Sabaoth is a military name for God (Lord of Armies), and has absolutely nothing to do whatever with what 95:7 asserts. The term is repeated in 98:2. Section 98 depicts the fatherly role of God so that the challenging military title of Lord of Sabaoth is very wrong here.

BIND/BOUND: 128:8 quotes Matthew 16:18-19 in saying “whatsoever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven.” Then 128:8 twists Jesus' words by saying: “Or, in other words, taking a different translation, whatsoever you record on earth shall be recorded in heaven...”. No Sir! The Greek word for bound or bind is DEO, and it means exactly “bind, be in bonds, knit, tie, wind” (Strong's Greek Dictionary of the New Testament), etc. It is interesting that in Joseph Smith's own Inspired Version of the Bible that he did not alter “bind” to “record”. Whom should we believe: Joseph Smith or Joseph Smith? If “record” had been intended, an entirely different Greek word, MARTUROMAI, would have been used.

ALPHUS AND OMEGUS: There is serious confusion of Latin and Greek in 95:17, “...saith Son Ahman; or in other words, Alphus; or in other words, Omegus; even

Jesus Christ your Lord. Amen.” In the first place it is gross error to equate Alpha (the first letter in the Greek alphabet) with Omega (the last letter in the Greek alphabet).

In the second place **there is no excuse whatever** for adding the Latin suffix, “us”, to the two Greek letters. It sounds like a mere amateur trying to play scholar. Linguists and translators **never** do this. Never, Never. Joseph Smith shows his true colors again.

ADAM-ONDI-AHMAN: This name is found in 107:53; 116; and 117:8, 11, and appears to imitate the Hebrew. ADAM is Hebrew for “ruddy”. The remainder of the name is not Hebrew even though it appears as though Smith wants for us to think so. Neither are the unusual names in Sections 78, 104, or elsewhere Hebrew. A true Prophet would know this. But he is not a true Prophet!

THEIR OWN PROPRIA PERSONA: 128:8 reveals ignorance of Latin when it speaks of “their own PROPRIA PERSONA”. “PROPRIA” means “own” in Latin so that it is erroneous and redundant to put the English word “own” before “PROPRIA”. That would be like saying “yellow jaundice” as “JAUNDICE” is derived from the French word for yellow. Or it would be like saying “Rio Grande River”. “RIO” means “river” in Spanish. Also, “their” is plural while the Latin is singular. Also in Latin the adjective follows the noun! Wrong! Wrong!

JEHOVAH: For a book that purports to be 100% correct and inspired by God it is strange indeed to see God's Name revealed in 128:9 as “Jehovah” as this is a highly inappropriate and erroneous distortion of the Hebrew. If you do not have access to a Hebrew dictionary, consult any Jewish rabbi. Furthermore, there is **no “J” in Hebrew** so God's Hebrew name is **not** Jehovah, but resembles Yahweh.

SPIRIT AND SOUL: 88:15 states that “the spirit and the body are the soul of man.” Do the Hebrew and Greek warrant the concept that “Spirit + Body = Soul”? What do you think? Hebrew for “soul” is NE'FESH meaning “a breathing creature”. It comes from the root NAW-FASH meaning “to breathe”. The Greek for “soul” is PSEUCHE which means “breath, spirit, mind.” It is from the root PSEUCHO “to breathe”. Hebrew for “spirit” is ROO'WAKH meaning “wind, breath, life, spirit, mind”. Greek for “spirit” is PNEUMA which means “current of air, breath, spirit, rational, soul, mind. (Strong's Dictionary of the Hebrew Bible and Strong's Dictionary of the Greek New Testament), etc. In no way do the Hebrew or Greek warrant the assertion that “Spirit + Body = Soul”.

IT CAME TO PASS: While D&C is not as guilty of the excessive and exhausting usage of “it came to pass” and “it shall come to pass” as is the B.O.M., the widespread overuse of these terms reduces its quality. See for example Section 42.

IN OTHER WORDS: Excessive usage of this expression occurs throughout D&C. See 78:4, 9; 82:9; 95:17, etc. for a few examples. It seems presumptive to think that the All Wise God would inspire such expressions. It implies that He has trouble expressing Himself!

WITHOUT: It is incorrect to say “without” for “unless” as is done in 102:6.

WITH ALL THEIR MIGHTS: 20:31 says this instead of the obviously correct “with all their might.”

CHARITY AND LOVE: 4:5 lists four virtues: “faith, hope, charity, and love...”. It is incorrect to distinguish between charity and love as spiritual virtues as “charity” is simply an archaic word for “love”, an obvious redundancy.

WRITER OF B.O.M.: 24:1 is interesting in light of Mormon claims. It says: “Behold, thou wast called and chosen to **write** the Book of Mormon...”. In fact the title page of the original 1839 edition of the B.O.M. calls Joseph Smith the “**Author** and Proprietor” of the B.O.M. More recent editions alter this inspired inscription to read “Translated by Joseph Smith, Jun.”. There is a vast difference between being an author and a translator! Which is honest? Would anyone care to guess? Contradiction.

SPOT OF LAND: 101:45 uses this modern colloquial term which is inconsistent with Joseph Smith's hopeless attempt to imitate archaic King James English.

PERMANENT YET SO VERY CHANGEABLE: 124:125 quotes God as saying that Joseph Smith is to be a “translator, a revelator, a seer, and prophet.” 128:9 says that the records of the faithful shall be permanent. They shall be bound on Earth as well as in heaven “and could not be annulled, according to the decrees of the great Jehovah.” If so, how could anyone **DARE** to change B.O.M.? Yet, over 4,000 changes have been made! Many of these are gross grammatical errors, but many are distinct changes in meaning!

Some even change doctrine (e.g., Monogamy versus Polygamy)! In many places the present D&C has been radically altered from the original, including additions, deletions, as well as alterations of meanings. Some are radical alterations. Amazing. This is inspired?

NONSEQUITUR: Section 132 absolutely **requires** the plurality of wives in order for a man to be exalted to godhood. V. 20 promises it through polygamy! V. 20 promises “Then shall they be as gods, because they have no end; therefore shall they be from everlasting to everlasting, because they continue...”. This is a nonsequitur, that is, logic does not follow. Just because something has no end, that does not make it a god. Photons of light have no end, yet they are not gods. Angels have no end. Demons and souls in Hell have no end, yet that does not make them gods. Space has no end, and neither does Heaven, but that does not make them gods. False prophet.

APPROVAL OF BOOK OF MORMON: 124:89 shows God's approval of the 1830 version of the B.O.M. which it calls “the new translation of my holy word...”. This is impossible to jibe with the fact that so many grammatical, clarity, doctrinal, or other changes have been made in the B.O.M. **Over 4,000 changes!** (See also 135:3.)

“Thou shalt not murder.” Exodus 20:13 “Thou shalt not steal” Exodus 20:15

MATHEMATICS PROBLEMS

When a Math professor insists on 100% accuracy in solving Math problems, it is not out of hatred for those whose answers differ from his, but because of concern that students develop Math skills. Likewise, we Christians compassionately yearn for our Mormon loved ones to succeed in their understanding of Biblical truths and in their relationship with Jesus as Savior and Lord. Consider:

DEFINITELY ONLY ONE BUT INNUMERABLE GODS: D&C 20:19 absolutely and clearly declares that Heavenly Father is “the **ONLY** living and true God.” 20:21 refers to Jesus as “his **ONLY** Begotten Son.” 20:28 says “Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are **ONE** God...”. Alma 11:28-29 very specifically declares: “...Is there more than one God? And he answered, **No.**” PGP--Moses 1:6 states: “...**there is no God beside me...**”. The Bible certainly agrees (Deut. 6:4; I Kings 8:60; Mark 12:30; John 17:3; etc.)

Amazingly, D&C **CONTRADICTS** itself in 76:58; 121:32; and 132:17-20, 37 when it indicates that there are many gods. PGP--Abraham 4 & 5 insist on the plurality of gods.

It simply cannot be both ways. One does not equal infinite!

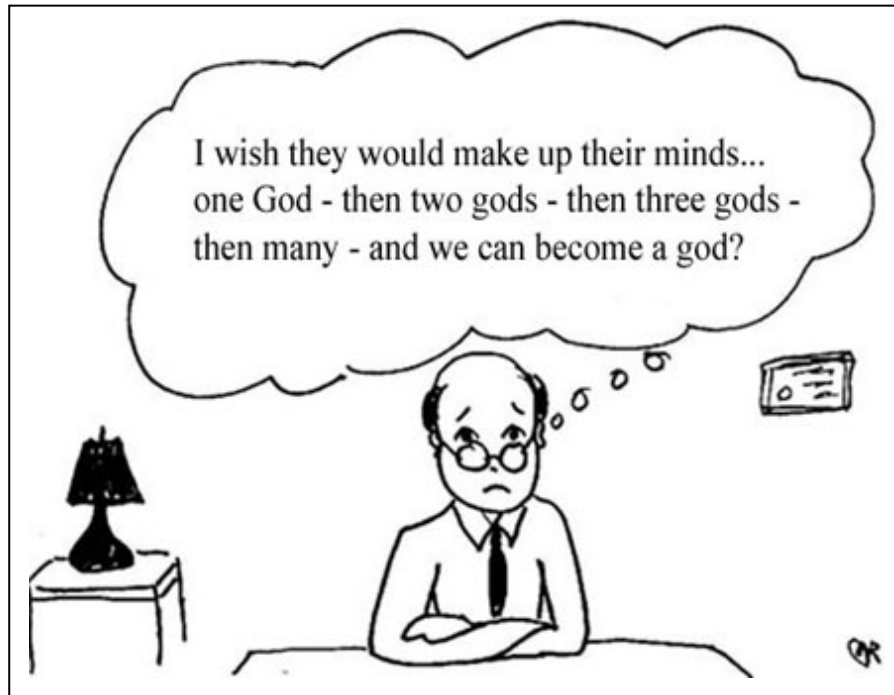
Mormon scholars sometimes seek to reconcile these numerous **flat contradictions** by suggesting that “Jehovah is the God of this world, but that there are other gods for other worlds”. But--

1. Mormon Scriptures never say that.
2. The Bible in II Corinthians 4:4 calls Satan “the god of this world,” not Heavenly Father or Jehovah.
3. Alma 11:28-29 in B.O.M. emphatically disallows polytheism entirely.
4. The Bible (see above) totally rejects it. Thus, Isaiah 45:5-6 says “I am the LORD and there is **none else**, there is **no** God beside me...there is **none** beside

me, I am the LORD, and there is **none** else.”

ONLY ONE GOD BUT CLEARLY THREE GODS: D&C 20:28 states “Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are **ONE GOD**.”

B.O.M., agrees in the Testimony of Three Witnesses: “and the honor be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, which is **ONE GOD**. Amen.”



B.O.M.'s 2 Nephi 31:21; Mosiah 15:2-5; Alma 11:44; 3 Nephi 11:27, 36; and Mormon 7:7 all agree that the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are **ONE** God.

The Bible teaches the exact same thing in many places. Sadly, however, PGP -- Abraham 4 **contradicts** the above by teaching polytheism (many gods).

D&C 121:32 refers “to that which was ordained in the midst of the council of the Eternal God of all other gods before this world was...”. Obvious **CONTRADICTIONS**!

ONLY BEGOTTEN AMONG BILLIONS: Bruce McConkie, Mormon Doctrine, p. 278, explains that all people are literal children of Heavenly Father. “The italic designation Father is to be taken literally...all men, Christ included, were born as his children in pre-existence. (D&C 93:21-23; Moses 1;2;3;4; Abra. 3:22-28)...It is only by understanding the real and literal sense in which God is our Father...”

In contrast with the above there are over 35 references in D&C, PGP, and B.O.M. to Jesus as the Father's “Only Begotten Son”! e.g. 29:42; 76:57; 124:123; etc.

MERIDIAN OF TIME: See Physics Problems.

MICROBIOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

In my many years as a Microbiology professor in various universities and colleges, I was often a little nervous in teaching my students how to light Bunsen burners and handle pathogens safely. One careless error could be very serious. Likewise, it is because I have paternal care (never hatred) for my students that I must be intolerant of such errors as:

EPIDEMIC IN KIRTLAND, OHIO: 124:83 in 1841 warns of a **SOON** coming “scourge” for the people of Kirtland, Ohio, for abusing the Mormons. No such epidemic occurred. I am not aware of **any** correct prophecy of Joseph Smith, ever!

SERIOUS DISEASES FOR DISOBEDIENT MORMONS: 97:26 (1833) warns that if the Mormon Church “observe not to do whatever I commanded her, I will visit her according to all her works, with sore affliction, with pestilence, with plague,” etc. But, the Mormons, even the faithful, were driven out of Zion, Jackson County, Missouri, not by diseases, but by non-Mormons who objected to their very unconventional moral and sexual code and revealing Masonic secrets in their rituals.

VERY SOON NO MORE DEATH: 101:29 gives an amazing prophecy. It says “there shall be no sorrow because there is no death.” This was in 1833, and verses 11 and 98 insist that this will begin “**SOON**”. This never happened. Disease still often causes death. Sorrow often occurs even when there is no death.

SOON NO DECAY: 63:50-53 promises us that “when the Lord shall come” that there will be no decay processes at death, “but they shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye.” And, just when is this to begin? This was revealed in 1831, and v. 53 informs us that these things “are **NOW NIGH AT HAND**”. 101:29-31 (1833) agrees that there will be no decay at death! 101:11 and 98 promises that this will be “**SOON**”. That was 167 years or so before 2,000 AD! Another of numerous false prophecies.

SPEEDY DECAY: 121:15, 20 promise (1839) that “**NOT MANY YEARS HENCE...** their houses and their barns shall perish...”. Yet many of these enemies of the Mormons and their descendants along with their houses and barns have remained unrotted in Jackson County, Missouri for decades. False again. I have been there myself.

DECAY REVERSAL SOON: 29:26 promises that **VERY SOON** (from 1830) “shall all the dead awake, for their graves shall be opened, and they shall come forth--yea, even all.” The decay processes shall be quickly reversed **RIGHT AWAY** because v.9 states that “the hour is **NIGH** and the day **SOON** at hand...”. V.10 repeats that “the hour is **NIGH**.” This was “revealed” in 1830. It obviously never happened. **The Prophet Joseph never once made a correct prophecy of which I am aware.**

STRONG DRINK SINFUL EXCEPT IN SACRAMENT: Many people find it highly inconsistent for 89:5 to **forbid** “strong drinks” and yet to **REQUIRE** alcoholic wine in the original Communion services of the Church! (See also 20:75-79 and 89:5-6, etc.). Later on water came to be substituted for wine, which also strikes non-Mormons as strange as the Bible nowhere authorizes this change. The red-purple juice of the grape depicts the Blood of Christ that saves us. This change “waters down” the Gospel. If alcohol is harmful and sinful, then why should alcoholic wine ever be required in something so sacred as in the sacrament of Communion? This inconsistency does not “compute” with many people. There is no provision whatsoever in any of the three Mormon Scriptures or the Bible for the present practice of substituting mere water for the required wine or yeast bread instead of unleavened (no yeast) bread.

ALCOHOL NEVER FOR INTERNAL USE: To say, based on 89:5-7, that alcohol is never to be used internally under any circumstances is to deny that in limited, controlled amounts that it has some medicinal value as a sedative, as an aid to the appetite, or as a solvent for some drugs. Unfortunately, many people (including many Mormons) use these limited advantages as an excuse for alcohol abuse.

STRONG DRINK FOR WASHING: 89:7 is strange when it states that “strong drinks are not for the belly, but for the washing of your bodies.” If one understands this notion to mean that alcohol is a good antiseptic, there is an error here. One fact that beginning Microbiology students typically are surprised to learn in early laboratory experiments is that alcohol is a poor antiseptic. Soap and warm water are superior to wine in removing dirt from the skin. In fact, alcohol has a drying effect on the skin.

SACRAMENTAL WINE: D&C 89:5-7 and 20:75-79 forbid drinking wine or strong drink because “it is not good”. But wine was originally required in their sacrament

but must be made by the believers. Then, v. 7 says that “strong drinks are... for the washing of your bodies.” I find this puzzling.

- A. Since wine is “not good”, then why was it first required for the sacrament?
- B. Where in Mormon Scripture is authorization for substituting water for wine?
- C. If alcohol use is a **SIN**, **why do large Mormon businesses often sell alcoholic beverages?** Is that not sinful? It might cause others to **stumble** (Romans 14:21).

HURRIED ASSEMBLING CAUSES DISEASE: 63:24 is an oversimplification when it says that “haste” in assembling “themselves together...bringeth pestilence”. It is lack of sanitation and hygiene that results in disease, not mere speed. You see, if they moved in slowly in an unsanitary manner, they would bring more disease germs than if they moved in quickly in an orderly and sanitary way. A slow moving ox cart load of smallpox patients in those days would be much more of a threat than an airplane load of healthy people today. Often speedy people are efficient and know what they are doing while many slow moving people may not know or care, or are too sick to move fast. It would have been definitely wiser to have emphasized rules of hygiene.

SURE GIFT OF UNIVERSAL HEALING SOON: 35:9 and 10 asserts that “the time **SPEEDILY** cometh” (written in 1830) that “whoso shall ask it in my name in faith... shall heal the sick; they shall cause the blind to receive their sight, and the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak, and the lame to walk.” V. 15 confirms that “it is **NIGH** at hand”, and v. 27 quotes Jesus as saying “I come **QUICKLY**. Even so. Amen.” (The Greek word for “quickly” means “fast” not necessarily “soon”. This is made to mean **RIGHT AWAY** from 1830. 84:65, 69, 70 say about the same thing as 35:9-10, while 84:75 comforts us with the amazing words: “This revelation unto you...is in force from **THIS VERY HOUR** upon the world...”. 66:9; 68:10; and 124:98 **promise** the **IMMEDIATE** gift of healing diseases to certain church leaders. However, the gift of healing was never given either to specific individuals or to everyone as a whole. Another false prophecy!

PLAGUE AND U.S. CIVIL WAR: 87 faces serious problems in its **MANY** erroneous prophecies, “that will **SHORTLY** come to pass”. Will errors never cease?

1. 87:2 “war will be poured out on **ALL** nations, beginning at this place.” (also 87:3). False.
2. 87:3 Southern states will call on Britain to defend them “against **OTHER** nations”. False.
3. 87:6 it shall result in “a full end of **ALL** nations.” But 87:6 says that because of the plague “shall the inhabitants of the **EARTH** be made to feel the wrath, and indignation, and chastening hand of an Almighty God...hath made a full end of **ALL** nations.” This obviously never happened. More false prophecies.

SOON EPIDEMIC: 45:19 warns that “desolation shall come upon **THIS** generation...and **THIS** people shall be destroyed...”. V. 21 declares **THIS** generation of Jews shall not pass away until every desolation which I have told you...shall come to pass.” V. 31 states “...that generation...shall see an overflowing scourge; for a desolating sickness shall cover the land!” V. 33 continues “there shall be...many desolations...”. V. 37 declares that “summer is **NOW AT HAND**”. V. 38 says “...the hour is **NIGH**”. V. 49 says “...the **NATIONS OF THE EARTH** shall mourn...”. V. 63 warns “...they are **NIGH...NOT MANY YEARS HENCE**...”. This urgent prophecy about soon worldwide epidemics was made in 1831. V. 32 promises that Smith's followers would not be affected. There **never** was such an overwhelming epidemic near or since 1831 and certainly never one that affected only non-Mormons!

43:17 puts us on notice that devastation is “**NIGH** at hand”. Verses 18-35 all speak of the events being **VERY NEAR** to 1831. V. 25 specifically mentions “pestilences of

every kind.” V. 24 says that the “nations of the earth” will be affected. V. 28 is a dire warning: “**FOR THE LAST TIME** call upon the inhabitants of the earth.” V. 20 urges that they start preparing **IMMEDIATELY**. V. 26 says definitely that “the day **HAS COME...**”. V. 28 urgently repeats “**FOR THE LAST TIME** call upon the inhabitants of the earth.” But 1831 has long since passed! The prophecy was a fake as are all by Joseph Smith.

84:96-97 severely warns that God is just about to “scourge” the nations with plagues on the earth. This was prophesied in 1832, and the whole of Section 84 indicates that it is about “**THIS VERY HOUR**” (cf. v. 75, etc.). Obviously very false.

97:26 (1833) promises that if the Mormons are not faithful, that God will cause “...sore affliction, with pestilence, with plague...”. In my experience my many close LDS friends are about like most other people -- neither strikingly more moral nor immoral. Like others they have had pretty bad times, e.g. the 243 or more splits following Joseph Smith's gun battle in jail, the “Angel of Death” who protected Brigham Young with his gun, the Mountain Meadow Massacre, the Utah fraud capital of the USA, sex scandals, polygamy, and racism cover-ups. The biggest problem I have with them is that 100% of the time their missionaries misrepresent (lie about) their beliefs in order to gain converts.

Thus, they give out the B.O.M. to potential converts as its teachings often mimic the Bible, while **B.O.M. contains no unique Mormon Doctrines!** If they were honest, they would still pass out copies of D&C and PGP which are much closer to their real beliefs. But in spite of the clear prophecy of 97:26, God has never yet thus punished them.

SCOURGED: 124:83 in 1838 prophesied that the Lord will build up Kirtland, Ohio, but will “have a scourge prepared for its inhabitants...”. This is but one more of a long list of false prophecies of Joseph Smith. All of the above are false prophecies.

TOBACCO FOR SICK CATTLE: D&C 89: See Botanical Problems.

PHYSICS PROBLEMS

I Peter 4:15 specifically commands Christians: “be ready always to give an answer to every one that asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you with meekness and respect.” The following examples should be most helpful in rescuing honest Mormons from their erroneous scriptures to sure Biblical truths:

Physics is the science that deals with interactions of matter with energy (light, sound, heat, radiation, mechanics, electricity, etc.)

LOUD SOUND OF TRUMPET: 29:13 prophesies that “a trump shall sound both long and loud...and all the earth shall quake...”. (See also v. 26). This was written in 1830, and v. 9 states that “the hour is **NIGH** and the day **SOON AT HAND...**”. 43:18 says “the trump of God shall sound both long and loud...to the sleeping nations...”. V. 17 clearly states that this “great day of the Lord is **NIGH AT HAND.**” V. 20 emphasizes the **NEARNESS IN TIME** to its writing in 1831 when it addresses the heavens: “prepare yourselves for the great day of the Lord.” V. 28 declares that 1831 is “the **LAST TIME**--for the **LAST TIME** call upon the inhabitants of the earth.” Verses 21 and 22 confirm that **THAT** generation itself needed to repent and prepare for the coming of the Lord. 88:87 and 94 predict that “**NOT MANY DAYS HENCE** (from 1832) “all nations shall hear” the long and loud trump of God. Needless to say, the Earth-shaking sound of the Archangel's trumpet around the World never happened as predicted. False prophecy by Joseph Smith.

LOUD SOUND OF THE LORD'S VOICE: 45:49 states that “the Lord shall utter his voice, and all the ends of the earth shall hear it...”. V. 21 limits the time of this worldwide sound of God's voice when it says “**THIS GENERATION** of Jews shall not pass away...” before hearing it. V. 19 agrees when it limits it to “**THIS GENERATION**” (1831). 43:18 confirms that “**THE DAY COMETH** that the Lord shall utter his voice out of heaven; the heavens shall shake and the earth shall tremble...”. This 1831 prophesy “...is **NIGH** at

hand”, according to v. 17. V. 28 warns the listeners “**FOR THE LAST TIME--FOR THE LAST TIME** call upon the inhabitants of the earth.” V. 21 warns **THE PEOPLE OF 1831** to “Repent, and prepare for the great day of the Lord.” V. 22 even goes so far as to assert that it “**IS COME**”! WOW! But, this star-shaking and Earth-trembling sound never happened either when predicted or since. False prophecy by Joseph Smith!

133:21-22 asserts that the sound of Christ's Voice at His coming will be heard around the World and will be “as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder, which shall break down the mountains, and the valleys shall not be found.” Such amplitude (loudness) of sound vibrations would destroy all buildings, shatter ice at the poles, destroy all plant and animal and human life. The whole of Section 133 (and of D&C) insists that everyone should be prepared because Jesus is coming **SOON** (to the 1830's). False prophecy! No human-sized body could produce such loudness without destroying itself.

CHRIST IS THE LITERAL LIGHT: 88:7-13 says that Christ is literally the light:

V. 7. “...as also he is in the sun, and the light of the sun, and the power thereof by which it was made.

V. 8. “As also he is in the moon, and is the light of the moon, and the power thereof by which it was made;

V. 9. “As also the light of the stars, and the power thereof by which they were made”

V. 10. “And the earth also, and the power thereof, even the earth upon which you stand.”

V. 11. “And the light which shineth, which giveth you light, is through him who enliveneth your eyes, which is the same light that quickeneth your understandings”

V. 12. “Which light proceedeth forth from the presence of God to fill all the immensity of space...

V. 13. “The light which is in all things, which giveth life to all things, which is the law by which all things are governed, even the power of God who sitteth upon his throne, who is in the bosom of eternity, who is in the midst of all things.”

How can all of these claims be true if Jesus is limited to a human-sized physical body (130:1, 22)?

These assertions that Christ is in the Sun, Moon, and stars, as well as is the light of them is in direct conflict with 93:4 and 130:1-2 which assert that Christ has a physical Body of flesh and bones **LIKE OURS**.

If He cannot thus live in believers, as 130:3 claims, how then can He live in the Sun, Moon, and stars and be their light? False again!

Besides, the temperatures of stars, planets, and moons have a range of thousands of degrees, making survival of a human-like body impossible!

DARKNESS AS AN ENTITY: Anyone at all familiar with physics is well aware of the fact that darkness is merely the absence of light. D&C, however, differs from established facts of physics, and describes darkness **as an entity in itself**. Thus we read in:

38:5 “...the wicked have I kept in **CHAINS of darkness** until the judgment...”.

38:8 “But the day **SOON** cometh that ye shall see me (Jesus)...for the **VEIL of darkness** shall **SOON** be **RENT**...”. This prophecy by the prophet Joseph Smith was made in 1831, and never came to pass. False again.

SOURCE OF HEAT: 133:41 says “the presence of the Lord shall be as the melting fire that burneth, and as the fire which causeth the waters to boil.” And, 133:44 declares that when the Lord comes down that then will “the mountains flow down at thy presence...” (cf. 67:12). Frankly, it is inconceivable that a body the **size and composition**

of a normal human (130:1) could be the source of such infinite energy. It would vaporize the body! Error in D&C.

IMMATERIAL MATTER: Typical Physicists would not see the necessity of 131:7 which says “there is no such thing as immaterial matter...”. There is a serious problem of logic here as “immaterial” means “non-matter”. This would show about as much intellectual maturity as to say “there is no such thing as non-dark black”, “there is no such thing as non-noisy racket”, or “there is no such thing as non-quiet silence.” This is inspired Scripture??!

SPIRIT = MATTER: 131:7 says “...all spirit is matter...”. See also v. 8. This **contradicts** 130:22 that asserts that although the Father and Jesus have physical bodies, that “the Holy Ghost has not a body of flesh and bones, but is a personage of Spirit. Were it not so, the Holy Ghost could not dwell in us.” It is in definite conflict with the Bible in which both the Hebrew and Greek words for “spirit” indicate that spirit is **not** matter!

ELEMENTS ARE ETERNAL: 93:33 asserts that “...the elements are eternal, and spirit and element, inseparably connected...”. Obviously the Creator did not inspire this Section as He would be aware that radioactive elements necessarily had a beginning and do have an end. They do cease from being parent elements and become daughter elements. Radioactive elements are obviously not eternal. And since radioactive elements obviously had a beginning, consistency demands that stable elements also had a beginning. The Big Bang concept, if true, demands that elements had a beginning. Genesis 1 and 2 certainly demand that elements had a beginning. Errors in D&C.

ELEMENTS ARE THE TABERNACLE OF GOD: 93:35 claims that “the elements are the tabernacle of God; yes, man is the tabernacle of God...”.

- A. But the Bible never claims that elements are the tabernacle of God.
- B. In fact, neither do the B.O.M. or PGP.
- C. In fact the Bible does not say that mankind is the temple of God. It says only of believers that they are the temple of God (I Cor. 3:16-17) and that believers' bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit (I Cor. 6:19).
- D. Another problem here is that 93:35 is in conflict with 130:22 which insists that, neither the Father nor Jesus, but only the Holy Ghost can “dwell in us” because He “has not a body of flesh and bones” (i.e., not matter).
- E. It also flatly **contradicts** Alma 34:36 B.O.M. which says that **God dwells in our hearts!**

GOLD PLATES: 3:19 refers to the Gold Plates from which Joseph Smith claimed that he translated the B.O.M. No gold was available in eastern North America. Before colonial times there were no significant uses for metal.

Gold simply was not available in or near New York in 421 A.D. Nor could Joseph Smith have possibly carried 200 to 600 pounds of gold when he supposedly found it! Is he ever right?

MERIDIAN OF TIME: 20:26; 39:3; PGP--Moses 6:57,62; 7:46 all speak of the meridian of time as though this is a scientific designation. D&C and PGP use the term to designate Jesus' birth as though mankind agrees that His birth were the most important event in history. But:

1. No one unfamiliar with Smith's usage of the term knows the term. The non-Christian world commonly uses other divisions of time.
2. The exact year of Jesus' birth is not precisely established.
3. It is His crucifixion that offers Salvation, not His birth!

VAPOR OF SMOKE: See Chemical Problems for 45:41.

“You shalt not bear false witness.” Exodus 20:16

“Thou shalt not steal” Exodus 20:15

PHYSIOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

Physiology is the science that deals with functions of bodies of organisms. I find it most puzzling that some people suppose that those of us who seek to protect our Biblical faith are being hateful. Nothing could be farther from the truth! We yearn to help our Mormon loved ones to have a sure faith in the trustworthiness of the Bible and Jesus Christ rather than in these very faulty false Scriptures. Thus:

DIGESTION – MEATS: 89:12-13 warns that meats are to be used sparingly and only in winter or famine. However 59:17-20 **contradicts** this when it clearly says “...all things which come of the earth are made for the benefit and use of man... for unto this were they made to be used...”.

CARE FOR BODY: 101:37 says “care not for the body, neither the life of the body...”. This directly **CONTRADICTS** Word of Wisdom D&C 89 that is very specific about care for the body.

HEART FAILURE: In 1831 D&C 45:19-26 had this to say:

V. 19. “...desolation shall come upon **THIS** generation as a thief in the night, and **THIS** people shall be destroyed and scattered among **ALL** nations.”

V. 21. “...**THIS** generation of Jews shall not pass away until every desolation which I have told you concerning them shall come to pass.” (Never happened!)

V. 26. “And in that day shall be heard of wars and rumors of wars, and the whole earth shall be in commotion, and **MEN'S HEARTS SHALL FAIL THEM...**”

Do you see the problems? This prophecy was given by Joseph Smith in 1831. It clearly refers to the 1831 generation. But there was **no epidemic of heart failure** during that or any subsequent period. False prophecy.

HOT DRINKS: 89:9 specifies “hot drinks are not for the body or belly.” What is injurious about moderately hot drinks? Modern Mormon scholars read into this that it means coffee and tea.

1. Why does it not say clearly what it means?
2. What about herbal teas?
3. What about the fact that caffeine can be used medicinally to combat drowsiness, migraines, and some other headaches? Some scientists claim that it may help prevent diabetes, etc.
4. What about decaffeinated coffee and tea?
5. What about iced coffee and tea?
6. What about cold soft drinks?
7. What about hot soups?

Don't you think that 89:9 should say what it means and mean what it says?

JOSEPH SMITH GREATLY BLESSED: 104:46 promises: “I will multiply blessings upon Joseph Smith, inasmuch as he is faithful, even a multiplicity of blessings.” These rich blessings started in 1834. But if he were being blessed so abundantly, why was he imprisoned and his life snuffed out in 1844? Because he blatantly revealed Masonic secret rituals in his temple.

NO HUNGER OR THIRST: 84:75 prophesies that “from **THIS VERY HOUR** upon all the world...” that (84:80) “any man that shall go and preach this gospel ... **shall not be weary ... shall not go hungry, neither athirst.**” It never happened. Another of several hundreds of false prophecies.

GOD THE FATHER “Has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man's (130:122)”. Yet, in spite of this **severe limitation** to a human type and size of body, D & C still asserts that:

Wisdom: His Wisdom is vastly superior to all others (76:2-8).

Knowledge: Even with a mere **human-sized brain**, he knows all the works of all people (121:24), and about their spiritual life (3:16). He knows all the universe (Moses 7:30).

Eyes: He observes all people from Heaven (1:1; 121:2-4 and 24). As he is said to have two humanlike eyes, and exist in far away Heaven on the star Kolob, this is nothing short of amazing that his humanlike eyes have such power of magnification that they can see such a vast distance through walls, and even all around the other side of the Earth! He also observes all the endless worlds in space (76:1-119; “millions of earth like this”: (Moses 7:30).

Ears: His human-like ears hear from the star Kolob all his people on Earth simultaneously. This is in addition to hearing all people with those very same ears on the numerous “millions of earths like this” (Moses 7:30)!

Hand: His human-sized hand, unbelievably is in ALL things (59:21)!

King: In spite of his human-size, he reigns over the whole Earth as well as over all the many “millions of earths like this” (Moses 7:30).

Power: Even in spite a human-sized body, he is Almighty (all powerful) (76:106-107; 121:4; 109:77).

Voice: “The Lord shall utter his voice out of heaven...” (43:23) from his human-sized body and shall actually be heard on Earth! That prophesy was made in 1831, and **never happened** even though V. 20 assures us that that was “The last time - for the last time”, i.e., very soon to take place.

Light Emission: The light of God “proceedeth forth from the presence of God to fill the immensity of space” (88:12). It seems highly improbable for a human type or size of a body to be the source of such a vast intense amount of radiant energy, or that the physiological processes of such a body could continue to exist in the proximity of such a powerful source!

Eternal Fullness: The Father has “an everlasting fullness, from everlasting to everlasting.” (109:77). This is contrary to the famous Mormon couplet, “As man is, God once was. As God is, man may become.” Eternal fullness is in conflict with the Mormon concept of a finite body for God.

Companionship: All the increasing billions of faithful will dwell in companionship with the Father in eternity (76:62). We have a very serious problem here in the Father's body being present intimately associated with the countless trillions of eternally reproducing humans in the next life.

GOD THE SON: (Jesus Christ) Made flesh “his tabernacle” (93:4), “has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man’s (130:1 and 22). But, **in spite of this severe infinite handicap** of human size and structure:

Knowledge: He knows and comprehends all things (38:2; 88:6 and 41; 101:32-34)

Eyes: His eyes shall see **all** people (38:7; 121:2-3), and **everything** else in the whole Universe (38:2)!

Ears: He hears prayers of the faithful on Earth even while he is on the star Kolob (105:15; 121:2-3)!

Temple Presence: He shall definitely be physically present in the Kirtland, Ohio, Temple according to 109:12. This 1836 “prophecy” totally failed – It never happened.

Creator: In spite of the limitations of a human type and size body, he created ALL the Universe and its inhabitants (45:1; 76:24; 88:7 and 41; 133:9)!

King: In spite of the limitations imposed by a human type of body and size, he reigns over the entire Universe (49:6), “His hand is in ALL things” (59:21)! His “arm is over ALL earth” (15:2; 16:2), and his arm “shall fall upon the nations” (45:47) . He is over ALL (63:59) in spite of his tiny size! How so?

Power: He is Almighty (All Powerful) (19:14) even while inhabiting such a human-sized body!

TOBACCO FOR SICK CATTLE: D&C 89--See Botanical Problems:

NO NEGATIVE SENSATIONS: D&C 84:89--See Psychological Problems:

INTELLIGENCE NOT CREATED: D&C 93:29, 30--See Psychological Problems.

POST-RESURRECTION INTELLIGENCE: D&C 130:18-19--See Psychological Problems.

INDEPENDENT INTELLIGENCE: D&C 93:29, 30--See Psychological Problems. **“Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.” Exodus 20:8**

PSYCHOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

In Christian humility and compassion we must point out these fatal flaws to those who would firmly have us believe D&C to be Scripture.

Psychology is the science of behavior, mental processes, emotions, memory, sensations, learning, mind, etc.

FEAR: 45:74-75 prophesies that “when the Lord shall appear he shall be terrible unto them, that fear may seize upon them, and they shall stand afar off and tremble. And all nations shall be afraid because of the terror of the Lord...”. This worldwide devastating fear was predicted in 1831. 45:37 says that the time “is **NOW NIGH AT HAND.**” V. 26 adds that “men's hearts shall fail them...”. V. 21 limits this devastating worldwide fear to the time of “**THIS** generation of Jews”. This epidemic of **WORLDWIDE** fear never happened. **False prophecy** as usual.

ANGUISH: 124:51 gives God's command to build up a city and Temple in Jackson County, Missouri. V. 52 warns “And I will answer judgment, wrath, and indignation, wailing, and anguish, and gnashing of teeth upon their heads unto the third and fourth generations, so long as they repent not, and hate me, saith the Lord your God.” This was given in 1838. V. 10 warns that God's “visitation cometh **SPEEDILY.**” Although I have known of numerous Missourians, have traveled there at various times, I have never met any in, near, or from Jackson County, Missouri, who are suffering from such devastating psychological agony as described here. False prophecy by Joseph Smith!

FRIGHTENING PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE: 122:4 says that the Lord told Joseph Smith that “thy voice shall be more terrible in the midst of thine enemies than the fierce lion, because of thy righteousness; and thy God shall stand by thee forever and ever.” This revelation of a **fear-inducing voice for Smith never occurred.** His voice never thus frightened the many he had antagonized. He was shot in 1844, and his people were driven out of Missouri because of aggressive social acts and revealing Masonic rituals.

PEACEFULNESS: 59:23 promises “that he who doeth the works of righteousness shall receive his reward, even peace in this world and eternal life in the world to come.” But, history of the Mormons shows that their life in Ohio, Missouri, Illinois, and elsewhere was anything but peaceful because of their often sexual misbehavior. Section 123 shows how highly upset and “loving” Joseph Smith can get when things do not please him. False prophecy.

ABILITY WITH WORDS: 84:85 advises Mormon witnesses and missionaries “Neither take ye thought beforehand what ye shall say, but treasure up in your minds continually the words of life, and it shall be given you in the very hour that portion that shall be meted out to every man.” Then, why do the speeches of the sincere, enthusiastic young Mormon elders sound memorized? They obviously do think very much about what they shall say. False prophecy.

UNLEARNED LANGUAGE SKILLS: 68:10 promised in 1831 that “he that believeth **SHALL BE** blest with signs following, even as it is written.” 46:24-25 specifically lists two of those signs given to believers as tongues and interpretation of tongues (1831). 109:6 is a prayer by inspiration in 1836 that the people in the Temple would have the “gift of tongues” as at Pentecost accompanied by cloven tongues of fire, and the interpretation of tongues. This instant language ability without learning, though claimed temporarily by Mormons in the past, was **actually a form of gibberish** (not each person hearing **IN HIS VERY OWN LANGUAGE** as in Acts 2:8). In spite of the references above we do not ever see Mormons with this instant language ability today.

CHANGING BUT UNCHANGING GOD: On the one hand D&C stresses that God is **UNCHANGING** throughout eternity. Thus 20:12 says “...he is the **SAME GOD** yesterday, today, and forever.” 20:17 declares “...we know that...God...is infinite and eternal, from everlasting to everlasting the **SAME UNCHANGEABLE** God...”. 35:1 states “...God...is...the **SAME** today as yesterday, and forever.” 76:4 confirms “From eternity to eternity he is the **SAME**...”. The Bible and B.O.M. both steadfastly agree with this.

However, other Mormon authorities **flatly contradict** the above by the concept that Heavenly Father was once a mere man who underwent **ETERNAL PROGRESSION** to Godhood! See Bruce McConkie, Mormon Doctrine, etc.

INFINITE MENTAL ABILITY: 38:2 says that Heavenly Father “knoweth all things, for all things are present before mine eyes.” Many people see a **very** serious difficulty in vast infinite knowledge being encased in a human-sized body (130:22).

NO NEGATIVE SENSATIONS: 84:80 promises that Mormon witnesses and missionaries “**shall not be weary in mind,... they shall not go hungry, neither athirst.**” This 1832 promise has never been fulfilled even though v. 75 assures us that “this revelation unto you...**IS IN FORCE FROM THIS VERY HOUR** upon all the world...”. False prophecy.

DAYS OF SORROW: 136:35 is typical of scores and scores of prophecies in D&C, etc. that never ever happened. It announced in 1847 that in the **near** future are coming “the **days of sorrows**, like a woman that is taken in travail; and **their sorrows shall be great** unless they speedily repent, yea, very speedily.” This is another of numerous empty promises.

SWEET DEATH: 42:46 prophesied that in the **near future** the faithful “**shall not taste of death**, for it (death) **shall be sweet unto them**”. This 1831 prophecy is definitely indicated throughout section 42 to come about **very shortly**. It obviously never did. I am very sorry to say that I have known of various Mormons to suffer horrible deaths.

SPIRIT + BODY = SOUL: 88:15 states “and the spirit and the body are the soul of man.” No sir! The Hebrew and Greek for both “spirit” and “soul” are derived from “breath”. 88:15 is almost like saying “breath + body = breath.”

GOD DWELLING IN HEART: 130:3 asserts that “the idea that the Father and the Son dwell in a man's heart is an old sectarian notion, and is false.” This **CONTRADICTS** B.O.M.'s Alma 34:36 which clearly states: “...the Lord...dwelleth...in the hearts of the righteous...” Both cannot be correct!

POST-RESURRECTION INTELLIGENCE: Strangely, 130:18-19 says:

V. 18. “Whatever principle of intelligence we attain unto in this life, it will rise with us in the resurrection.

V. 19. “And if a person gains more knowledge and intelligence in this life through his diligence and obedience than another, he will have so much the advantage in the world to come.”

Do you suppose that the prophet Joseph Smith actually thought about what he was saying? This doctrine faces some very serious problems. Thus, if our intelligence in Heaven is based on how much our intelligence was developed on Earth, then it would

mean that the following would be unfairly discriminated against through absolutely no fault of their own: e.g. the financially handicapped, those preferring social or athletic or other non-academics interests, stillborn fetuses, dead babies, dead children, the uneducated, the poorly educated in inadequate schools, mentally retarded, normal mental capacity but with disturbing physiological problems (e.g. ADD, ADHD, etc.), emotionally handicapped, malnutrition harmed, handicapped by deafness or blindness, paralytics, missing limbs, foreign speakers, persons born into non-intellectual families, the 98% of the world's population who lived before the present skyrocketing of intellectual development, the misinformed due to their culture or the times, etc. It contradicts 1:35 and 38:16 which state that “God is no respecter of persons”.

But the Lord God of the Bible does not reward people in Heaven like 130:18-19 claims. This is definitely ungodly - very much so.

SINLESS CHILDREN: 29:47 informs us that children “cannot sin, for power is not given unto Satan to tempt little children...”. 45:58 prophesies “their children shall grow up without sin unto salvation.”

1. One wonders how many children Joseph Smith cared for or knew personally.
2. What did he remember about his own childhood? His biographies show that he sinned greatly as a child, like all of us.
3. How many parents would agree that children are incapable of sin?
4. Little children can learn right from wrong very early as any parent can testify.
5. Children are much smarter than these assertions claim.
6. People sin even when Satan is not involved.

INDEPENDENT INTELLIGENCE: 93:29-30 claims:

V. 29. “...Intelligence, or the light of truth, was **not created or made, neither indeed can be.**” Wrong!

V. 30. “**All truth is independent in that sphere in which God has placed it**, to act for itself, as all intelligence also; otherwise there is no existence.” Wrong!

Psychologically, there are several serious problems here.

1. It is a common everyday experience to observe the growth of intelligence in people.
2. The development of an individual results in formation of intelligence.
3. Facts & wisdom do not exist in a vacuum, but in people's minds, books, etc.
4. Beings possess intelligence, and it grows with them.
5. It is a falsehood that without intelligence there is no existence. Plants, algae, fungi, bacteria, animal spores, non-neuronal tissues of animals, human and other cells, etc. all exist without intelligence of their own.
6. Webster says that intelligence is “the ability to learn or understand from experience; ability to acquire and understand knowledge; mental ability; the ability to respond quickly and successfully to a new situation; use of...reason in solving problems; directing conduct...”.
7. Intelligence is indeed “created or made” anytime a creature becomes aware of the conditions and changes in its environment.
8. Intelligence is destroyed any time a brain loses its ability, e.g. by injury, drugs, disease, or death.
9. Intelligence can’t independently “act for itself”, but causes organisms to act.
10. Comatose, sleeping, hibernating, estivating, hypothermic, and anesthetized animals exist at a very low level of intelligence.
11. Truth and intelligence are not synonymous. Thus, for centuries intelligent people believed that the Earth was flat, and that the Earth was the center or bottom of the universe. But their “intelligence” was untrue.

Thus it is perfectly obvious that intelligence **CANNOT** be **independent of living organisms** as claimed in D&C.

WORLDWIDE FEAR: 64:43 warns that “the day shall come when the **NATIONS** of the earth shall tremble because of her (Zion).” This never happened. All of Joseph Smith's prophecies were always false. **When my two daughters, Carolyn and Martha, were little girls, they could easily prophesy much better than Joseph Smith!**

“But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof.” Romans 13:14

SOCIOLOGICAL PROBLEMS IN GENERAL

Fellow Christians, Mormonism is vastly more persistent in winning members from Christian churches than Christians are in trying to win people to Jesus Christ as Savior. Compassionately defend your faith from attack by gently pointing out these flaws to those who would destroy your Biblical faith.

Sociology deals with the development, organization, problems, etc. of social groups.

EQUAL POSSESSIONS: 48:20 states that “it is not given that one man should possess that which is above another, whereof the world lieth in sin.” This **contradicts** 124:56 which requires housing to be provided in Jackson Co., Mo., for Joseph Smith and his descendants. This never happened. But, the intention shows favoritism and nepotism. It contradicts 1:35 and 38:16 that say that God is “no respecter of persons.” 48:20 is certainly **VERY** contrary to present Mormon practice. It denies the value of hard work, thrift, and wise investments! It is a form of communism in D&C and its flaws.

MORMON COMMUNISM: 82:17-24 is dangerously similar to Marxism's goal: “from each according to his ability, and to each according to his need.” V. 17 prescribes: “...you are to be equal, or in other words, you are to have equal claims on the properties ...every man according to his wants and needs...” This is idealistic with head in the clouds but with feet not on the ground. It has never worked in communistic countries or in religious communes as it **detracts from the work incentive**. In observing modern Mormon storehouses, Relief Societies, and my Mormon friends in very serious need, I have been disappointed to see that their needs were not being met unless, it seemed to me, the Church perceived that it would benefit the Church itself! Communism in D&C!

PRIESTLY CLASS: 68:2-4 declares that all who are ordained to the Aaronic Priesthood are “to go forth...and whatsoever they shall speak when moved upon by the Holy Ghost shall be scripture, shall be the will of the Lord, and shall be the mind of the Lord, shall be the word of the Lord, shall be the voice of the Lord, and the power of God unto salvation.” This leads us to the next question: how are the members to know when a priest is moved by the Holy Ghost?

Countless contradictions, too numerous to list here; have been based on this notion in 68:2-4. The fact that women are not allowed to be priests, the fact that blacks, until 1978 were forbidden the priesthood, and the lofty ranks of church leaders indicates a clear-cut class distinction in the Mormon Church. This runs counter to 1:35 and 38:16 which say that God is “no respecter of persons.” Inconsistent.

PRIESTHOOD LIMITED TO LITERAL DESCENDANTS OF AARON: Running contrary to 1:35 and 38:16 which say that God is “no respecter of persons”, 107:16 insists that “No man has a legal right to this office, to hold the keys of the priesthood, except he be a **LITERAL** descendant of Aaron (brother of Moses).” This class distinction is not taught in B.O.M. or in the New Testament. Contradicting this order is the fact that men of all races are now given Aaronic priesthood without being “a literal

descendant of Aaron"! It is not Biblically allowed for Aaronic priests. Jewish priests had to be descendants of Levi, not of Aaron!

ETERNAL SOCIALITY: 130:2 in speaking of Eternity says: "And that same sociality which exists among us here will exist among us there, only it will be coupled with eternal glory, which glory we do not now enjoy." How can we have the "same kind of sociality" there if families there will be polygamous and eternally breeding (see Section 132)? Sociality in this world which we certainly would not expect in Heaven includes prejudicial treatment against people because of age, social class, family, accomplishments, physical appearance, race, sex, location of origin, and skills. We would not expect sociality based on bullying, criminal record or behavior, retardedness, rebellion, military might, etc. Personality, wealth, and good looks certainly will play no role. In short this statement appears naive.

WORLD'S PEOPLE TO ZION, MISSOURI: 64:42 declares that people shall come to Zion, Jackson Co., Missouri, "out of every nation under heaven." Yet, in spite of the implication in Section 64 that this would happen **RIGHT AWAY**, this 1832 prophecy **never happened**. Jackson County has never become cosmopolitan like that. **All** of many scores of Smith's prophecies are false!

SLAVERY: Regarding slavery, 134:12 **SHAMELESSLY** proclaims (1835): "...We do not believe it right to interfere with bond servants, neither preach the gospel to, nor baptize them contrary to the will and wish of their masters, nor to meddle with or influence them in the least to cause them to be dissatisfied with their situations in this life...such interference we believe to be unlawful and unjust, and dangerous to the peace of every government allowing humans to be held in servitude."

This statement **contradicts** 1:35 and 38:16 which say God is "no respecter of persons". Amazingly this "inspired" Scripture was actually changed...! Mormons actually **changed** their Scripture! **What would God say about their changing Scripture?**

WORLDWIDE SCATTERING OF THE PEOPLE: 45:19 prophesies that "...this people shall be destroyed and scattered among all nations." V. 19 is not clear about whether it is speaking of unfaithful Mormons or of enemies. But, in either event at no time did either people become destroyed or scattered among **all nations**." This 1831 prophecy was to have happened before "**THIS GENERATION** of Jews shall pass away." Obviously a false prophecy.

GATHERING OF REMNANT: 45:43 in 1831 stated "And the remnant shall be gathered unto this place" (i.e., Kirtland, Ohio). As with 45:19 above, 45:43 indicates that this will happen before "**THIS** generation of Jews shall pass away." Needless to say, this remnant never did gather together. Another FALSE prophecy of Joseph Smith.

SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE: 134:9 declared in 1835 emphatically that "We do not believe it just to mingle religious influence with civil government, whereby one religious society is fostered and another prescribed in its spiritual privileges, and the individual rights of its members, as its citizens denied." The history of the LDS Church runs contradictory to this ideal. Brigham Young himself was Governor of Utah. Utah, in accordance with Mormon doctrine, is the only state that authorizes death by firing squad for capital offenders. The list could go on and on.

PEACE AND SAFETY: 105:25-27 predicted in 1834 regarding the Mormons in Jackson County, Missouri: "... I will give unto you favor and grace in their eyes, that you may rest in peace and safety...And I will soften the hearts of the people...". This never

happened, and mob violence against the Mormon's lustfulness towards women and offending Masons grew more intense until they were finally forced to leave shortly afterwards.

PROBLEM-FREE SOCIETY: 100:16 prophecies (1833) "...I will raise up unto myself a pure people that will serve me in righteousness." Yet, articles in Wall Street Journal (e.g., May 14, 1985) discuss the tie-in between Mormons and gambling in Las Vegas. The Latter Day Sentinel of Oct. 19, 1985, admits that "Utah is well known as the ...fraud capital of the U.S." Deseret News of May 19, 1985, A-17, said "Abuse reports rose 287 percent in Utah during the past four years." Other shocking statistics could be provided for Utah's rate of suicides, sexually transmitted diseases, alcoholism, divorce, welfare, theft, drug abuse, violent crime, sexual degeneracy, pornography, rape, child abuse, illegitimacy, and other very serious problems. Disturbing impurities!

NO CHURCH JUDICIAL AUTHORITY FOR PUNISHMENT: 134:10 says "We...do not believe that any religious society has authority to try men on the right ...of life...or to put them in jeopardy of either life or limb, or to inflict any physical punishment upon them...". (See also 132:26-27). This **contradicts the ungodly Masonic-like vows** that Temple Mormons took until April, 1990 that if they reveal the Temple ceremonies, that their throats should be slit, lungs pulled out etc. It is also contrary to what Brigham Young and other Mormon leaders taught and practiced regarding "blood atonement". (See below).

BLOOD ATONEMENT: 134:10 (see above), I John 1:7, etc. contradict the Mormon doctrine of Blood Atonement, the doctrine that some sins cannot be atoned for by the Blood of Christ, but must be atoned for by the literal shedding of one's own blood. Thus, Joseph Smith in History of the Church, Vol. 5, p. 296 stated that a murderer must have his own blood shed to be forgiven. Brigham Young in History of the Church, Vol. 7, p. 597, said of any thief: "I say kill him on the spot." Heber C. Kimball in Journal of Discourses, Vol. 4, p. 375 said "...if men turn traitors to God and his servants, their blood will surely be shed, or else they will be damned." Although the Mormon Church today denies the Blood Atonement was ever carried out, this claim is contradicted by Brigham Young in Journal of Discourses, Vol. 4, p. 220: "I could refer you to plenty of instances where men have been righteously slain, in order to atone for their sins." Unbiblical!

GRANGER THE STRANGER: 117:12 is one of hundreds of false prophecies like all the hundreds of others by the Prophet Joseph Smith. It quotes God as saying "verily I say unto him that his name shall be held in sacred remembrance from generation to generation, forever and ever...". Yet hardly any Mormon can tell anything at all about him or why he was supposed to be famous! False prophecy.

NEW JERUSALEM: 45:66-71 promises that Kirtland "shall be called the New Jerusalem, a land of peace, a city of refuge, a place of safety for the saints of the Most High God...the glory of the Lord shall be there...the wicked will not come to it...and there shall be gathered unto it out of **EVERY NATION** under heaven; and it shall be the only people that are not at war with one another...". Kirtland never changed its name to New Jerusalem. It was not a city of refuge and a place of safety when the Mormons were forced out because of their rudeness, etc. Its jail, locked houses and buildings and cars, and police testify that these glowing prophecies of its virtues do not place it better than many others cities. False prophecy. [Pray fervently for salvation for Mormons. God deeply loves us all.](#) ["Thou shalt not covet."](#) Exodus 20:17

SOCIOLOGICAL PROBLEMS WITH POLYGAMY

CLAIM THAT BIBLE COMMANDS POLYGAMY: 132:1 erroneously refers to "the principle and doctrine of their having many wives and concubines", and mentions

several patriarchs. 132:31-37 **wrongly** asserts that God commanded Abraham and Sarah for Abraham to marry Hagar also. Genesis 16 **disproves** this. Genesis 25 shows that Abraham married Keturah **after** Sarah's death. Genesis 24-49 indicates that Isaac had **only one** wife, Rebekah, contrary to the error in 132:1. Genesis 29-30 does indicate that Jacob had two wives and two concubines, but **contrary** to 132:1, this was **not commanded by God**. This **sin** resulted in very vicious competition and physical fighting among the wives. Contrary to 132:1 and 38, Moses had only one wife at a time. Exodus 2, 4, and 18 tell of Zipporah. After her death and forty years after their marriage, Moses then married an Ethiopian woman (Numbers 12). David and Solomon did have many wives, but not only was this **sin** not commanded by God, but also it was forbidden (Deut. 17:17)!

ONE WIFE FOR ADAM: Although 132 commands polygamy, the Bible says that God provided Adam with one wife, Eve. It does not speak of Adam and Eve, Susie, Janet, Betty, Mary, and so on for twenty or so wives. Even PGP: Moses 5:4, etc. and other Mormon writings list only one wife for Adam. Obviously that was God's will. D&C is very wrong again. **“Thou shalt not commit adultery.” Exodus 20:14**

POLYGAMY AS DOCTRINE: 132:1 speaks of “touching the principle and doctrine of their having many wives and concubines...”. A principle and doctrine? Deuteronomy 17:17 states that it is a **sin**. And, so do various Mormon Scriptures. Later we will see how secular law took precedence.

POLYGAMY MUST BE OBEYED: 132:3 requires: “Therefore, prepare thy heart to receive and obey the instructions which I am about to give unto you; for all those who have this law revealed unto them must obey the same.” (How would the problem be solved if there were too few women available?)

POLYGAMY AN EVERLASTING COVENANT: 132:4 firmly states that polygamy is **“a new and everlasting covenant; and if ye abide not that covenant, then are ye damned;** for no one can reject this covenant and be permitted into my glory.” Just think of what this means to all Mormons who choose to obey public laws forbidding polygamy rather than Mormonism's God's laws absolutely requiring it in order not to be damned. **If it is everlasting, it cannot ever be changed - Never.**

DAMNATION FOR DISOBEYING POLYGAMY: 132:4 and 6 give the terrifying warning that whoever disobeys polygamy shall be damned. This does not sound like John 3:16 at all or anything else from the true God of the Bible.

POLYGAMY REQUIRED FOR BLESSING: 132:5 asserts that “all who will have a blessing at my hands shall abide by the law” of polygamy. Does this Mormon Scripture mean that God has not blessed anyone since they were forced by the laws of the U.S. to give up polygamy? That is what it indicates.

PURPOSE OF POLYGAMY: 132:6 explains that polygamy “was instituted for the fullness of my (God's) glory...”. How could it possibly glorify God to have many wives for each man? **This would prove that His creation of woman was grossly inferior to man!** How could it possibly glorify God to have a form of marriage that strongly encourages adultery, jealousy, covetousness, homosexuality in both sexes, insecurity, fighting, poverty, diluted father-child relationships, sibling rivalry, loneliness in men who cannot find wives, and numerous other problems? **Disgusting and sick doctrine.**

POLYGAMY REQUIRED FOR EXALTATION TO GODHOOD: 132:18-19 warns that in order to be exalted to godhood that one must marry properly on Earth, and to propagate a “continuation of seeds forever and ever.” But, what if one cannot find a suitable mate on Earth -- to say nothing of a whole harem as required in 132 for exaltation to godhood? What if one dies before reaching marriageable age? What if one is handicapped and can find no willing partner? This false terrible doctrine **contradicts** 1:35 that says that God is “no respecter of persons.” 132:21-24 emphasizes again that it is

ONLY through polygamy and eternal marriage on Earth that one can be exalted to godhood. 132:31-66 emphasizes this notion again. Then why do my many Mormon friends seek exaltation to godhood without being polygamous in this life as absolutely required by 132? Temple ceremonies for polygamy in heaven are not authorized by any of the three Mormon Scriptures or the Bible. **They face the problem of the nearly equal numbers of men and women!**

POLYGAMY BOTH FORBIDDEN AND REQUIRED! 42:22 commands:

V. 22. "Thou shalt love thy wife with all thy heart, and shalt cleave unto her **AND NONE ELSE**."

V. 23. "And he that looketh upon a woman to lust after her shall deny the faith, and shall not have the Spirit; and if he repents not he shall be cast out."

The D&C of 1835, 101:4 **STRICTLY FORBIDS** polygamy, as revolting and utterly wicked. But Mormon Scripture **got changed**, and this was removed later! Amazing, the Mormon god keeps changing his mind!

B.O.M.: Jacob 2:23-24 and Mosiah 11:1-2 **UTTERLY CONDEMN** polygamy.

The Bible **NOWHERE** approves of polygamy and such passages as Genesis 2:24; Deuteronomy 17:17; I. Timothy 3:12; etc., show God's clear plan for monogamy instead.

1. Strangely, in 1843, D&C 132:19 reverses the Mormon God's monogamy requirement for polygamy as an everlasting covenant, and as an absolute requirement for exaltation to godhood (v. 22). Immoral!
2. Then in 1890 LDS President Wilford Woodruff's Manifesto reversed God's command again by actually repudiating polygamy! Amazing.
3. And, today there are growing movements to make polygamy acceptable again. In Mormonism truth keeps changing back and forth like a ping pong ball. Mormon politicians pose as conservative, **but commonly quietly approve of gay and lesbian marriages because they realize that it will then be much easier to permit and legalize polygamous marriages**. Inconsistent. Anti-Biblical!

POLYGAMY CONDEMNED BY BOOK OF MORMON: 132 flatly contradicts the B.O.M.'s Jacob 2:24 which says "Behold, David and Solomon truly had many wives and concubines, which thing was **ABOMINABLE** before me, saith the Lord." Jacob 2:27 orders: "...hearken to the word of the Lord: for there shall not any man among you have save (unless) it be **ONE** wife; and concubines he shall have **NONE**." Jacob 5:5 refers to "...the commandment of the Lord... that they should have save it were one wife, and concubines they should have none...". Then, Ether 10:5 declares that "...Riplakish **DID NOT DO THAT WHICH WAS RIGHT** in the sight of the Lord for he did have **MANY WIVES AND CONCUBINES...**". **"Thou shalt not covet."** Exodus 20:17

DENIAL OF CONTINUATION OF POLYGAMOUS WEDDINGS: Attached at the end of D&C, is "Official Declaration--1" (1890) from LDS President Wilford Woodruff which claims: "We are not teaching polygamy or plural marriage, nor permitting any person to enter into its practice, and I deny that...any...number of plural marriages have during that period been solemnized in our Temples or in any other place...". Assuming the historical accuracy of Woodruff's assertion, we are faced with the serious problem of knuckling the supposed Will of God under the secular laws. The Bible never permits this (e.g., Daniel and the lion's den, Queen Esther, Jeremiah and all Biblical prophets, the martyrdom of Stephen and many thousands of other Christians, the persecutions of Paul and millions of other Christians, and the Crucifixion of Christ, etc.). **If D&C is the Word of God, then President Woodruff was its Judas. He thus forced the damnation of all nonpolygamous Mormons according to 132:4 and 6 and prohibited the exaltation to godhood of all Mormons according to 132:18-19!**

POLYGAMY CONDEMNED BY D&C: Polygamy is so clearly forbidden in 49:16 which states "...it is lawful and that he (any man) should have **ONE** wife, and they twain shall be one flesh...". It does not say "a man shall have a dozen or more wives, and they thirteen shall be one flesh."

POLYGAMY CONTRARY TO PGP: PGP assumes one wife for one husband. See Moses 3:18, 3:21-25, 4:22, Abraham 5:15-19.

RELATIONSHIP OF HUSBAND TO ALL HIS WIVES: 132:54-56 requires Joseph Smith's wife, Emma, to be faithful to and forgiving of Joseph, and to accept his attentions to other women! **Nothing is ever said that Joseph should be considerate of Emma!** 132:61-64 requires polygamous wives to be faithful to their husband. Little is said about the husband's faithfulness to each of his many wives. Gross and very sick!

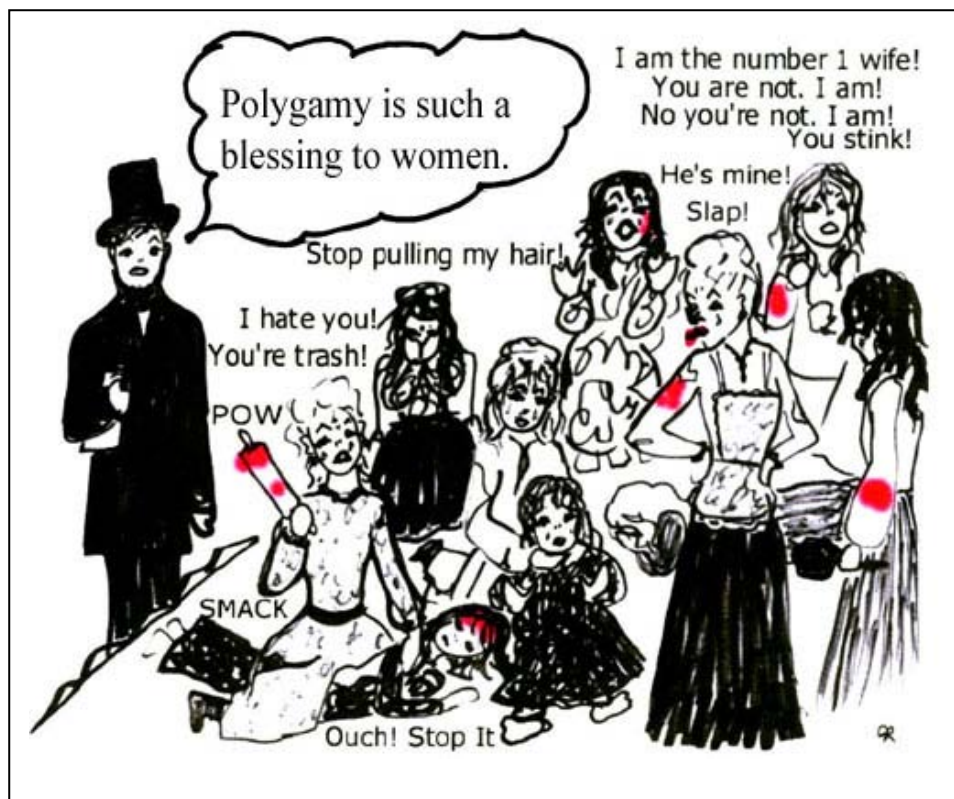
PRACTICAL PROBLEMS OF POLYGAMY: There are many serious practical problems with polygamy that would lead us to doubt seriously that Section 132 is genuinely inspired by God.

1. It is based on the assumption that males are vastly superior to females (contrary to the implications in Gen. 1 and 2, the teachings of Jesus, Gal. 3:28, etc.). It assumes that even several dozen women do not equal the value of a single man. Very, very sick D&C doctrine.
2. It assumes that the sex drive of one man can satisfy that of several scores of women. Nothing could be farther from the truth.
3. It is unfair to most men as it forces most men to be unmarried. If God had intended people to be polygamous, He would logically have caused most babies to be girls instead of around 110 boys born for every 100 girls. At around age 18 the numbers are about equal.
4. It tempts unmarried men into frustration, loneliness, stress, visiting prostitutes, masturbation, fornication, dwelling on pornography, alcoholism, drug abuse, homosexuality, neuroses, violence, bestiality, and physical violence (even murder of competing men). **Ungodly doctrine from Satan.**
5. It tempts the less favored co-wives into loneliness, rejection, lesbianism, adultery, bitterness, resentment, jealousy, stiff competition, neuroses, masturbation, alcoholism, physical fighting, drug abuse, bestiality, and violence (or even murder of competing co-wives). **Ungodly doctrine from Lucifer!**



6. It causes the co-wives to be much more subject to depression than are most monogamous wives because of stiff competition, loneliness, rejection, jealousy, etc. And, the problem gets worse with age, naturally. **Ungodly doctrine from Hell.**
7. It engrains upon women that they are for the purpose of satisfying the supposedly superior male sex drive and bear his children, but otherwise to serve the male (not for the Biblical goal of genuine love, fellowship, caring, sharing, and companionship without a man on an equal but charmingly different basis).
8. If given a choice free of economics, social pressures, etc. few women would ever choose polygamy over monogamy where they can cherish the fact that they are **special, unique, treasured, and precious! Amen! Praise God!**
9. It puts the husband under a severe financial strain, thus taking away his effectiveness as a proper father to his children and companion to his wife.
10. When a man has several wives and numerous children which he cannot support, an unfair burden is placed on charity organizations and government welfare programs. Ungodly!
11. It radically increases in-law problems, vacation problems, grandparent and grandchild problems, father-child problems, sibling rivalry, problems with all the step-mothers, etc. **A very ungodly doctrine.**
12. It radically increases the likelihood of bullying and physical fighting among the wives and children.
13. It puts the male under extreme pressures to perform sexually, thereby increasing tendencies to impotence, frustration, emotional stress, alcoholism, drug abuse, etc.

POLYGAMY CAT FIGHTS!



14. It forces the husband to be in the very unenviable position of being judge and peacemaker among his wives and their children, thereby increasing his pressures. **“Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor’s wife.” Exodus 20:17**
15. It is not based on genuine Biblical AGAPE love (genuine caring with no strings attached), but rather on lust, pride, prestige, craving for power, egotism, and other self-centered motives. These are its appeal, not spiritual values at all.
16. If a man genuinely and honestly loves a woman, he very obviously **does not show his love for her by bringing more competing women into the home**. That would be cruel, vicious, hateful, ungodly, and disgusting.
17. Polygamy distracts the husband from social responsibilities outside the home. He would have little time, for example, for Church and Biblical service.
18. It would detract from his friendships with other men.
19. It would detract from his time with his own parents and other relatives.
20. It emphasizes sexuality over companionship, parenting, and other virtues.
21. The eternal reproducing indicated in Section 132 and elsewhere would eventually populate all habitable planets. The eternal human bodies, though celestialized and glorified, will be much like ours (according to 130:1, etc.). Therefore, all stars and planets will be uninhabitable to them. But, even so, the number of astronomical globes, though innumerable to our minds, is essentially limited and fixed. This throws even further questioning at the claim that Section 132 could possibly be inspired.
22. Not once has Mormonism ever admitted that polygamy was a gross, ungodly, bad idea, unfair to women, and to men who are unable to find mates of their own because of selfish men who have multiple wives. Never have Mormon prophets or apostles admitted that polygamy was never given by God to them.
23. While many splinter groups still often practice polygamy, mainline Mormons do not normally practice it in the usual sense, but they commonly arrange to be married thus for Heaven. Until the whole Mormon church **deeply repents** of its terribly wicked sin that God never ever approved of, Mormonism can never get right with God.

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24. If a polygamist has one, two, three dozen or more children, he obviously can not support them. They must be on welfare for the rest of us to support. It is far from ideal to force wives and children to live in poverty for the sake of their religion.
25. The children and wives are strictly taught if they ever leave the polygamist family, they will go to Hell. Totally unbiblical!
26. Owen Allred, in order to defend the “goodness” of polygamy, insists that his wives love each other more than they love him, making him a little jealous at times. (Owen Allred considered Lesbianism to be safer than conflicts.)
27. Former polygamist wife Ruthann Stephens says “I don’t believe polygamy inherently is a full balanced harmonious way of life... It asks you to make a lot of sacrifices, and people believe sacrifice is a way to God. I don’t believe God asks you to make sacrifices. I believe people do.” (Ruthann was one of many who were convinced that the spiritual and emotional stress of living in polygamy was almost intolerable.)
28. Polygamists typically feel isolated from the rest of society and feel that others consider them to be strange and awful.

29. From the legal stand point, polygamous weddings are totally non-legal. But polygamists assert religious freedom, and that “God’s Law” is obviously superior to government law.
30. Carmen Thompson: “I truly believe that the mere act of sharing your spouse is emotional abuse. I’ve seen it in women’s faces and my shoulder has been there when they cried on it. And several times Steven’s wives have come to me. They have cried on my shoulder, and they told me that they **can’t** take it any more. And with the addition of the third wife, that one of his wives said that she has had it and was leaving.”
31. Carmen Thompson tells about the awful pain and suffering in polygamy. “It’s very difficult to lay in bed at night, trying to believe that you are doing what God wants, listening to your husband in the next room, having sex with another wife. It is so de-humanizing.” Disgusting!
32. Carmen Thompson: “I don’t believe that there are any successful polygamous relationships... It’s a third degree felony in the State of Utah... It’s against the law... It’s a crime!”

For more thorough discussion of polygamy see also Sociological Problems about Polygamy in B.O.M. and PGP in the Light of Science.

TECHNOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

It makes me uncomfortable to see Mormon Scripture filled with such questionable teachings. Please help me with this. Thousands of times Mormon missionaries have moved into predominantly Christian areas and split up families and churches. Without showing anger, we should kindly, lovingly, patiently, but persistently ask them if they have prayed about the following scientific errors in D&C:

CHARIOTS: 62:7 says “...if any among you desire to ride upon horses, or upon mules, or in chariots...”. The major vehicles in the early 1800's were wagons, surreys, and coaches, etc., but not chariots. The use of the word “chariot” sounds like Joseph Smith's attempt to sound religious and King James-like rather than to be accurate.

OCEAN HIGHWAY: 133:27 states that “an highway shall be cast up in the midst of the great deep.” This was revealed in 1831, and v. 17 states that “the hour of his coming” (of which this highway in the sea is a sign) “is **NIGH**”. Vv. 38, 58, 64, and others agree that the time is **VERY SOON**. Needless to say, this highway in the ocean never was constructed “**SOON**” after 1831 or since. In light of vv. 23-24 that indicates that all the land masses would be united in the southern part of the Earth and the oceans (which account for about 70% of Earth's surface) would be in the northern part, one wonders what could be the possible purpose of such a highway to nowhere! This notion sounds more like fanciful, impractical ideas of Joseph Smith rather than the inspired wisdom of God.

2 Peter 1:20 “Knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, (21) but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”

ZOOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

Would it be acceptable to you for a Zoology professor to lead a field trip who failed to warn his students on how to tell the majority of very valuable helpful snakes from the usually uncommon poisonous snakes? It is eternally more important for him to help our Mormon friends about discerning Biblical truths from errors such as:

KILLER FLIES: 29:18 prophesies that there will **SOON** be a worldwide scourge of flies: "...I the Lord God will send forth flies upon the face of the earth, which shall take hold of the inhabitants thereof, and shall eat their flesh, and shall cause maggots to come in upon them." This terrible judgment was predicted in **1830** as **SOON** to occur. Thus 29:9 and 10 warn us that the "hour is **NIGH**" for this. The rest of Section 29 expresses a sense of urgency.

1. But when in the vicinity of 1830 was there a worldwide (or even a local) plague of killer flies? Never then or since!
2. The fly Order Diptera does contain some species that bite and some that lay eggs in wounds and infections. The screwworm fly maggot can burrow deeply in an animal. But no flies are capable of gobbling humans like this gross exaggeration. Very false prophecy and 100% wrong!

FISH EXTERMINATION: 133:68 prophesied in 1831 that the sea and rivers will **very soon** dry up at the Lord's rebuke, and then will "their fish stink". This is one of the numerous signs of the last days prophesied to occur shortly after 1831 that never happened. Error in D & C.

KILLER BEASTS AND BIRDS: 29:20 warns regarding the world's inhabitants that "...the beasts of the forest and the fowls of the air shall devour them up." Again, 29:9 and 10 both inform us in 1830 that "the hour is **NIGH**". Obviously, it is mankind that has drastically reduced the number of beasts and birds, not the reverse. False prophecy as usual in D&C..

BLESSED WITH ANIMALS: While 29:20 warns that the animals and birds are about to **start eating up the people**, 59:16-20 promises that "...the beasts of the field and the fowls of the air, and that which climbeth upon the trees and walketh upon the earth" are for the benefit of mankind. You cannot have it both ways. This promise was given as part of the anticipated blessings associated with the promised Temple at Zion (Independence), Jackson County, Missouri, that never came about for generations. You cannot have it both ways with the animals being a blessing and a curse at the same time like that. (1831). Very false prophecy.

CREEPING ANIMALS: Section 89 is called the "Word of Wisdom". 89:14 says: "All grain is ordained...to be the staff of life...for **ALL** animals that run or creep on the earth." **This is a gross distortion.** Lizards creep. Snakes creep. Tree frogs can creep. Turtles creep. Salamanders and caecilians (burrowing amphibians resembling worms) creep. But no snakes, caecilians, salamanders, or tree frogs eat grain! **Lizards and turtles** generally eat foods other than grains. In fact many birds never eat grains, but rather fruits, insects, fish, carrion, etc. Some grains such as tares, millet, certain wild varieties of rye, maize, etc. are not eaten by man. False, as usual.

WHEAT FOR MAN: 89:17 is very definite and specific when it prescribes: "...wheat for man, and corn for the ox, and oats for the horse, and rye for the fowls and for swine, and for **ALL** beasts of the field, and barley for **ALL** useful animals...". However, in reality **all of those grains are almost interchangeable**. Humans do well on a variety of grains. 89:17 is almost like saying that raspberry flavor is for the Marthas of the world, blueberry is for the Susies, chocolate is for the Lisas, and pineapple is for the Carolyns. False claim.

HOG FOOD: 89:17 reports that rye is food particularly "for swine." But successful hog farmers **never** use only or even primarily rye. They often feed hogs a mixture of such things as rye, barley, ground corn, linseed meal, milo, wheat, vegetable oils, oil cakes, skim milk, whey, powdered milk, fish meal, slaughterhouse by-products, alfalfa hay, clover, bluegrass, soybeans, etc. Hogs prefer feed other than rye. Rye is sometimes infected with harmful ergot, a toxin from a fungus.

It would be infinitely **wiser not to discuss a topic dogmatically if one is not informed on it**. False claims.

UNIVERSAL BEAST FOOD: D&C 89:17 specifically prescribes “rye...for **ALL** beasts of the field”. A beast is a large four-footed animal. Beasts of the field include cattle, horses, donkeys, and mules. They could also include bears, deer, bison, etc.

Bears are omnivorous, and eat fish, bee hives, leaves, roots, bulbs, berries and fruits, nuts, insects, snails, pine cones, frogs and toads, snakes, turtles, birds, various mammals, etc. Rye is certainly **NOT** prominent in diet of bears.

Carnivores such as the wolf, dog, bobcat, lynx, fox, coyote, weasel, otter, seal, etc. **do not choose rye or other grains**.

Herbivores often consider the flavor of **rye not as desirable as other plant foods**.

It is **most unrealistic** to teach that rye is specifically designed for **ALL** cattle, horses, donkeys, deer, bison, etc. Their nutritional requirements are **MUCH broader than that!** False claim.

GEOGRAPHIC FEED DIFFERENCES: 89:17 totally ignores geographic differences. It reflects strictly the New York area from which Joseph Smith came. If it were truly inspired, it would seem reasonable that it would take some geographic considerations into account. Thus, **89:17 ignores milo, rice, wheat, and even leftovers** from human foods that hogs, etc. love and thrive on.

CORN FOR OXEN: 89:17 says that corn is for the ox. Cattle do well on any of the grains, but **they do best on a balance of grasses, hay, and corn (maize)**.

OATS FOR HORSES: 89:17 claims the oats are for the horse, but horses do well on any of them. Horses prefer corn to oats. They do especially well on corn, oats, hay, and grasses--but not necessarily in that order.

RYE FOR FOWL: 89:17 asserts that rye is for fowls, but chickens, turkeys, and other grain-eating birds (remember that not all birds eat grain) are not that specific. They thrive on any grain on the ground.

BIRD FOOD: 89:17 lists the food God designed for various animals, and specifically prescribes “**RYE FOR THE FOWLS**”. This statement makes one wonder **if Joseph Smith ever got off the sidewalk!** Did he not see that **birds have a very wide range of food?**

1. If “fowl” is intended to mean birds in general (see 89:12), then it is way, way off base because the various species eat **other birds, lizards, snakes, fish, insects, worms, nectar, seeds, fruits, eggs, etc.**
2. If “fowl” is limited to “chickens”, then it is still wrong as chickens (if given a choice) eat mostly worms, insects, spiders, wide variety of seeds, green plant parts, chicken wastes, etc.
3. Rye for fowls? They can eat rye, but they are omnivorous, and require a **much broader diet for good health**.

BARLEY FOR ALL USEFUL ANIMALS: 89:17 says that barley is for “all useful animals.” This simply is **not true**. Dogs are among our most useful animals (watch dogs, pulling sleds in the far North, fire dogs, military purposes, pets, working with livestock, seeing-eye dogs, rescue efforts in the Alps, drug sniffing, medical and other research, racing, hunting, entertainment, etc.), yet they show no interest in barley. Cats are very useful as pets, keeping down mice, etc., and likewise show no interest in barley. Barley is more coarse than wheat and some other grains and thus is less desirable than some others. Other useful animals that never eat barley or that eat it only if the opportunity presents itself include camels, swine, chickens, ducks, turkeys, llamas, deer, laboratory rats and mice, etc.

ENMITY: 101:26 promises that “...in that day the enmity of man, and the enmity of beasts, yea, the enmity of all flesh, shall cease from before my face.” This promise was revealed in 1833, and 101:11 and 98 assure us that this and related events are “**SOON** to befall the nations.” That was over 170 years ago. **It never happened.** False prophecy.

WISE AS SNAKES: 111:11 **plagiarizes** the KJV of Matthew 10:16: “...be ye as wise as snakes...”. In my agnostic days as a budding young Biologist, I considered the Biblical references to the wisdom of snakes to be one of many evidences that the Bible was full of errors. I would ask, “if snakes are so smart, why can I catch so many of them so easily?” Then someone pointed out that the Greek word translated here as “wise” is FRONIMOS which means “cautious, discreet, wary, discerning, etc.” rather than “intelligent” or “wise”. When Joseph Smith wrote this in 1837, the word, cautious, would have been the more accurate choice. Snakes certainly are not wise in the modern English sense, but they are noted for being very cautious. Yet, Joseph Smith claimed repeatedly that his translations and revelations were perfect. They are very far from that as you have seen!

1. D&C 111:11 should use proper form and designate that it is a quotation, and show the source.
2. The Bible is not in error in the original Greek as snakes are definitely discreet, cautious, wary and discerning. The 400 year old KJV English translation of “wise” is unfortunate. The original Greek is free of errors.
3. This is one of the countless examples in which, if Joseph Smith were a true prophet, he could have corrected to the original true Greek meaning!

SNAKE POISON: 84:72 promises: “And the poison of a serpent **SHALL NOT** have power to harm them.” This 1832 revelation was a part of the signs that “**SHALL** (not may) follow them that believe” (v. 65). 84:75 emphatically declares: “...this revelation unto you and commandment is in force **FROM THIS VERY HOUR** upon the world...” 24:13 confirms that believers **WILL NOT** be harmed by “poisonous serpents” (1830). There is no scientific evidence of Mormons **being any better protected against snake poison than anyone else.** False prophecies abound throughout D&C.

LIONLIKE VOICE: As terrifying as the voice of a lion is, 122:4 prophesied in 1839 that Joseph Smith's “voice shall be more terrible” to his “enemies than the fierce lion,” and that God would stand by him “forever and ever”! This promise never happened. **His voice was never lionlike.** The Mormons were driven out of Jackson Co., Missouri, and Smith was shot in 1844. Another among numerous false prophecies.

CATTLE MEDICINE: Section 89 is called the “Word of Wisdom”, and contains several insistent problems. 89:8 informs us that “...tobacco is...for...**all sick cattle**...”. **No sir. All sick cattle?** It is absolutely valueless against anthrax, tuberculosis, mastitis, cancers, genetics disorders, nutritional disorders, cowpox, endocrine disorders, reproductive dysfunctions, metabolic diseases, or any bacterial or fungal or viral disease of any kind. It is useless as a de-wormer. It does not protect against screwworm flies. “All sick cattle”? -- No way. False claim as always.

NOTE: LDS APOSTLES

D & C refers many times to LDS apostles. Consult Pearl of Great Price in the Light of Science page 31 (Articles of Faith Moses 1:3).

CONCLUSION

I sincerely apologize to any faithful Mormons if I have misinterpreted any concept of Mormonism's Doctrine and Covenants. I sincerely welcome any criticism or

suggestions for improvement of this or any other of my publications.

Some Mormon friends have asked me why I undertake articles like this. My study is triggered by the fact that so many of them have sincerely sought my conversion. I greatly admire and respect their zeal and enthusiasm. They encouraged me to investigate their claims as honestly and sincerely as possible.

As a result of studying the Bible, I must conclude that: “My faith is built on nothing less, than Jesus' Blood and Righteousness.” IS YOURS?

VERY HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS FOR MAKING DOCTRINE & COVENANTS ACCEPTABLE TO CHRISTIANS

I have no desire whatsoever to attack any other religion. Instead, I would like very much to present some most helpful suggestions that would definitely help Christians reduce their resistance to D&C as follows:

1. Pray honestly about D&C several times. Is it or not really God's Word?
2. Honestly examine the scores of Joseph Smith's prophecies in D&C. Eradicate those which are obviously erroneous (that is 100% of them). That would radically improve D&C!
3. Honestly remove all of the several scores of Joseph Smith's statements in D&C that contradict the Book of Mormon (B.O.M.), Pearl of Great Price, (PGP), and The Bible. This would distinctly improve the integrity and honesty of D&C.
4. Certainly removing the excessive passages within D&C itself that contradict each other would make D&C more trustworthy.
5. All of the excessive inappropriate quotations in D&C of the King James Version of the Bible certainly can in no way be inspired by God, so let's distinctly improve D&C by removing them.
6. Remove the remainder from D&C all of those that honestly have no essential value. It is most deceptive and dishonest for Mormon missionaries to use the Book of Mormon as their most important source of doctrines. **Not one** single major unique LDS doctrine is found in the Book of Mormon! Unique Mormon doctrines are rooted entirely in D&C and PGP, and **definitely not** in the Bible or B.O.M. Honesty and integrity would require that D&C and PGP be the only Scriptures that they should issue to potential converts. **D&C would not be offensive at all if Mormons would only follow the above six suggestions!**

ROMANS 3:23 -- “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.”

ROMANS 6:23 -- “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord”

JOHN 3:16 – “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

ACTS 16:31 -- “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shall be saved.”

EXODUS 20:4 -- “Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.”

MORMON SCRIPTURES SAY THIS ABOUT ETERNAL LIFE

NOTE: **Nothing** is said in the Book of Mormon about Jesus suffering in the Garden of Gethsemane for our suffering or about our needing to be “worthy” of salvation. Alma 34:33-35 states emphatically that there is no chance of salvation after death. “...This is the plan of salvation unto all men through the **blood of mine only begotten...**” P.G.P. -- Moses 6:62 “...Salvation was, and is, and is to come, in and **through the atoning blood of Christ...**” Mosiah 3:18

1. OUR URGENT NEED FOR CLEANSING FROM SIN: “For whoso cometh not unto me [Jesus] is under the bondage of sin.” D & C 84:51. See also D & C 1:33; 38:11; 72:6; 82:2; 84:49-53; Alma 13:27
2. BAPTISM AND GOOD WORKS [DEEDS OR RITUALS] ARE UTTERLY USELESS FOR HELPING US TO HEAVEN: “...although a man should be baptized a hundred times it availeth him nothing...neither by your dead works.” D & C 22:2. See also Ether 4:18; 3 Nephi 18:11-13; Moses 6:59-62 [“...by the **blood** ye are sanctified...”].
3. FAILURE TO REPENT RESULTS IN ETERNAL HELL: See Jacob 3:11; Mosiah 3:18; Alma 13:29-30; D & C 104:18; 121:23; Moses 5:15
4. IN ORDER TO GO TO HEAVEN, WE MUST REPENT AND RECEIVE [TRUST IN] JESUS CHRIST AND HIS CRUCIFIXION: “I am Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who was **crucified for the sins of the world, even as many as believe on my name**, that they may become the sons of God...” D & C 35:2 “...there is no other way...whereby man can be **saved only through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ...**” Helaman 5:9
 - “...Jesus was crucified...for the sins of the world...” D & C 21:9
 - “...the great Creator... suffereth himself to become **subject** unto man in the **flesh, and die for all men...**” 2 Nephi 9:5
 - “And I, Nephi, saw that he was lifted up **upon the cross and slain for the sins of the world.**” 1 Nephi 11:33

See also D & C 46:13; 76:41-42; 27:2; 53:2; 3 Nephi 27:19; Alma 21:9; Mosiah 4:7-8; 16:13; Moses 5:15; Helaman 14:13 18; Moroni 7:41; etc.

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT ETERNAL LIFE

Please consider prayerfully what the Bible says:

1. WE ARE ALL REBELLIOUS SINNERS WHO CANNOT SAVE OURSELVES BY GOOD DEEDS, RELIGIOUS RITUALS, OR WORTHINESS:
 - “...All our righteousnesses are as filthy rags...” Isaiah 64:6
 - “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.” Romans 3:23
 - “To will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not”. Romans 7:18
 - “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” Romans 6:23
 - “Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us...” Titus 3:5

NOTE: Even though the thief on the cross could not be baptized, join the church, or do good deeds or religious rituals, Luke 23:43 notes Jesus as saying “Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise.” John 4:2 says “Jesus Himself baptized no one.” Does that mean that He saved no one?

2. WE ARE SAVED BY GRACE [UNDESERVED FAVOR OF GOD] THROUGH LIFE-CHANGING FAITH ALONE: “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should *not* perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16
- “Believe [completely trust] on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved”. Acts 16:31
 - “...The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from **all** sin.” I John 1:7
 - If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” I John 1:9
 - “Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us...” Titus 3:5
 - “and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Saviour.” Luke 1:47
 - “For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.” Luke 19:10
 - “Verily, verily I say unto you, he that believeth on Me hath everlasting life.” John 6:47
 - “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God. Not of works lest anyone should boast.” Ephesians 2:8, 9
 - “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.” Romans 10:9

NOTE: Have you followed the Bible’s plan of salvation? **We must lay our sins at the cross of Christ!** Be specific about your sins and guilt. Feed on the Bible daily for spiritual growth and live an attitude of praying without ceasing for your spiritual growth.

AUTHOR’S TESTIMONY

I bear you my testimony that there is no one true church, that the **Biblical** prophets and apostles are the only true prophets and apostles, and that the Bible is the only true Scripture.

I know from the Bible and from the Holy Spirit’s confirming to me that it is not our worthiness that cleanses us, but that we can be cleansed from guilt in the past, defeat in the present, and fears for the future by:

1. **Professing** Jesus Christ’s death on the Cross for our sins and guilt.
2. **Possessing** Him in our daily lives by feeding deeply on the Bible and living for Him.

My Mormon friend, if the Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, and Pearl of Great Price are right and the Bible is wrong, Mormon teachings are that I will still go to a lower level of Heaven. But if the Bible is right and the three Mormon Scriptures are wrong, my Mormon friends will suffer terrible everlasting loss. Please, please do realize that there is an eternal and awful Hell to shun and an eternal delightful Heaven to gain through yielding our guilt to the Cross of Jesus Christ.

This is my testimony in the name of Jesus Christ, my own personal Saviour and Lord. Praise His Holy Name! Amen.

“Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.” 2 Peter 1:20-21

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT FALSE PROPHETS

Throughout the Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, and Pearl of Great Price, Joseph Smith has presented numerous prophesies. **None** of these prophesies have ever been truthful. Below is what the Bible has to say about false prophets even with one error.

Deuteronomy 18:20 “But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, **even that prophet shall die.**”²¹ And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?²² When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.”

Deuteronomy 13:8 “Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him:⁹ But thou shalt **surely kill him**; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.¹⁰ And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.”

WHEN WE FACE OVERWHELMING ERRORS IN D&C

It is most obvious that LDS Scriptures are definitely not inspired by God. The same is clearly also true of B.O.M. and P.G.P. Deuteronomy 18:20-22 and 13:8-10 condemned to death any prophet who makes even one error.

Instead of giving up and becoming a skeptic as the author of this book did and as so many Mormons do when they discover these numerous errors, please realize that the true Biblical Jesus is capable of rescuing us by the blood of the Cross. Jesus can cleanse us of all our guilt.

Titus 3:5 – “Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us.”

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