

From the Beginning: A Testament of the Covenant

By Jesus Christ

Introduction

I am He who was from the beginning. I am Jehovah, the Holy One of Israel. I am Jesus the Christ, the Only Begotten of the Father in the flesh. To some, I am known as the Messiah; to others, a Prophet; and to many, still, I am awaited. Yet I speak now with clarity and peace to all who will hear, that truth might be gathered from the four corners of the earth, even as my people shall be.

The time is at hand when the hearts of my children will turn again toward the covenants made from the foundation of the world. I speak now of the house of Israel, scattered and lost, yet never forgotten. I speak of the covenants made with Abraham, of the hope of Zion, of the sacred bond that links Judaism, Christianity, and Islam—each a witness, each a chapter in My Father's great plan.

In these pages, I shall tell of the gathering of the ten tribes, of the city of New Jerusalem that shall rise in power and glory, and of the earth, which shall be renewed and receive its paradisiacal glory. I speak not to divide, but to unite, for the work is one, and I am the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Come, and let us reason together.

Chapter 1: The Covenant of Abraham

Before kingdoms rose and prophets spoke, there was a man of great faith. Abraham, My friend, heard My voice and obeyed. In him I established an everlasting covenant, a promise that through his seed all the nations of the earth would be blessed. This covenant is not forgotten.

Judaism remembers this covenant. In the hearts of My people Israel, the fire of the covenant burns still. Through trials, through exile, through long generations of silence, they have remembered Me, though they knew Me not by the name I bore in the flesh. I walked among them. I wept over Jerusalem. I fulfilled the law, not to destroy, but to fulfill. Yet still I wait for their hearts to turn fully unto Me.

Christianity, born of the meridian of time, was nourished by My teachings, My atonement, My resurrection. It is My Church, yet even My Church must be chastened, for many have built up churches to themselves. My doctrine is plain. My gospel is one. Repent, and come unto Me.

Islam, too, I have not forgotten. I am He who inspired prophets among all nations. And to the children of Ishmael, I extended wisdom and understanding. Though the fullness of My gospel

was not given, yet I gave them faith, discipline, and reverence. I know their hearts. I know their prayers. And I will gather them, too.

The covenant is not broken. My promises are sure.

Chapter 2: The Scattering and Gathering of Israel

Because of disobedience, Israel was scattered. The ten tribes were led away, hidden from the knowledge of the world, preserved unto a future day. Judah remained, and from Judah came the Messiah. Yet the scattering was not the end. It was the preparation for a greater gathering.

I have spoken through prophets. I have moved upon apostles. And I have restored My gospel in these latter days, beginning with a boy who sought wisdom in a grove of trees. To him I revealed Myself and My Father. Through him I brought forth the Book of Mormon—a record of My people in the ancient Americas, another testament of Me.

The gathering has begun.

It is not by sword or by conquest, but by the preaching of the gospel, the administering of ordinances, and the power of covenants. The ten tribes shall return. Judah shall recognize Me. Ephraim shall lead. And all Israel shall be gathered as one.

Chapter 3: The Role of the Gentiles

In the days following My resurrection, the gospel went forth to the Gentiles. It was necessary, for Israel rejected Me. Yet in My mercy, I extended My covenant to all who would believe, regardless of lineage.

The Gentiles have carried the gospel across lands and seas. They have built temples, translated scripture, and sent forth missionaries. But pride has crept in. Some have stumbled. Others have turned away. Still, I am not done with them.

Those among the Gentiles who repent and come unto Me shall be numbered among My people. They shall be grafted into the tree of Israel and inherit the blessings thereof. But those who reject My gospel shall fall.

Chapter 4: The Rise of New Jerusalem

Zion shall be built upon the American continent. This is the land of promise, consecrated by My own hand. Here, the New Jerusalem shall arise, a city of holiness, a refuge for the righteous, a temple of My glory.

It shall not be built by the wisdom of men, but by the power of God. The pure in heart shall gather, and I shall dwell in their midst. My law shall go forth from Zion, and My word from Jerusalem.

Old Jerusalem shall be redeemed. New Jerusalem shall be established. And the two shall be one in purpose, in holiness, and in Me.

Chapter 5: The Glorification of the Earth

The earth groans under the weight of sin. But I will cleanse it. I will come again in power and great glory. The wicked shall be consumed, and the meek shall inherit the earth.

In that day, the earth shall be renewed. No more death, no more pain. The lion shall lie down with the lamb. Children shall play in peace. And all shall know Me.

The earth shall receive its paradisiacal glory. The millennium shall commence. Satan shall be bound. And I shall reign as King of kings and Lord of lords.

Conclusion: One Fold, One Shepherd

There shall be one fold, and one shepherd. I am He. The work is not finished. The time is short. My voice calls to Jew, to Christian, to Muslim, to Gentile, to all. Come unto Me.

I will heal you. I will teach you. I will gather you. And I will dwell with you.

This is My covenant. This is My promise. This is My voice.

Even so, come.

Amen.