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What makes God Angry?

[Alma 16:188](#) For it is not written that Zenos alone spake of these things, but Zenock also spake of these things; for behold, he said, Thou art angry, O Lord, with this people, because they will not understand of thy mercies which thou hast bestowed upon them, because of thy Son.

What is justice?

Our problem?

Humanity is in the grasp of justice.

[Alma 19:96](#) And thus we see that all mankind were fallen, and they were in the **grasp** of justice; yea, the justice of God, which consigned them for ever to be cut off from his presence.

No remedy within our ability to pay, for our problem.

An infinite penalty deserved an infinite payment. Not in our power to pay.

Adam and Eve—you shall surely, what?

But Did they?

The First death.

[Helaman 5:70](#) Yea, behold, this **death** bringeth to pass the resurrection and redeemeth all mankind from the **first death**-that spiritual **death**, For all mankind-by the fall of Adam, being cut off from the presence of the Lord-are considered as dead, both as to things temporal and to things spiritual.

Second death

[Jacob 2:65](#) And loose yourselves from the pains of hell, that ye may not become angels to the devil, to be cast into that lake of fire and brimstone, which is the **second death**.

[Alma 9:28](#) "And now behold, I say unto you, then cometh a death, even a **second death** which is a spiritual death;

[Alma 9:52](#) "Therefore, God gave unto them commandments, after having made known unto them the plan of redemption, that they should not do evil, The penalty thereof being a **second death** which was an everlasting death as to things pertaining unto righteousness,

[Helaman 5:73](#) But whosoever repenteth not is hewn down and cast into the fire, And there cometh upon them again a spiritual death, yea, a **second death**, For they are cut off again as to things pertaining to righteousness.

[Helaman 5:74](#) "Therefore, repent ye, repent ye! Lest by knowing these things and not doing them, ye shall suffer yourselves to come under condemnation and ye are brought down unto this **second death**.

But how?

Is it enough to have a savior?

God himself shall come down.

Infinite Atonement for a penalty of infinite price.

[Alma 16:210](#) For it is expedient that there should be a great and last sacrifice; yea, not a sacrifice of man, neither of beast, neither of any manner of fowl; for it shall not be a human sacrifice: but it must be an **infinite** and eternal sacrifice.

[Alma 16:213](#) But the law requireth the life of him who hath murdered; therefore there can be nothing, which is short of an **infinite** atonement, which will suffice for the sins of the world; therefore it is expedient that there should be a great and last sacrifice;

[Alma 16:215](#) And behold, this is the whole meaning of the law; every whit pointing to that great and last sacrifice; and that great and last sacrifice will be the Son of God; yea, **infinite** and eternal; and thus he shall bring salvation to all those who shall believe on his name;

Just enough to believe? If you believe, you will be....what?

Changed. Born again means to be spiritually changed.

What is the Heart?

Answer to life: You must be spiritually changed.

[Genesis 6:63](#) For, by the water ye keep the commandment; **by the Spirit** ye are justified; and by the blood ye are sanctified.

All must be 'born again'—i.e. spiritually changed

I thought I had to....

..unless you do these things...salvation comes to none else

[Mosiah 11:187](#) And the Lord said unto me, **Marvel** not that all mankind, yea, men, and women, all nations, kindreds, tongues and people, must be born again;

[Mosiah 11:188](#) Yea, born of God, changed from their carnal and fallen state, to a state of righteousness, being redeemed of God, becoming his sons and daughters; and thus they become new creatures; and **unless they do this, they can in no wise inherit the kingdom of God.**

[Mosiah 11:189](#) I say unto you, **Unless** this be the case, they must be cast off; and this I know, because I was like to be cast off.

Unless what? Unless your heart is changed, none else.

Justice and mercy.

[Mosiah 1:128](#) Therefore, they have drunk out of the cup of the wrath of God, which **justice** could no more deny unto them than it could deny that Adam should fall, because of his partaking of the forbidden fruit; therefore, **mercy** could have claim on them no more for ever.

[Alma 14:101](#) Behold, he did not exercise his **justice** upon us, but in his great **mercy** hath brought us over that everlasting gulf of death and misery, even to the salvation of our soul

[Alma 16:217](#) And thus **mercy** can satisfy the demands of **justice**, and encircles them in the arms of safety, while he that exercises no faith unto repentance, is exposed to the whole law of the demands of **justice**; therefore, only unto him that has faith unto repentance, is brought about the great and eternal plan of redemption.

Mercy could not rob justice.

[Alma 19:94](#) Therefore, according to **justice**, the plan of redemption could not be brought about, only, on conditions of repentance of men in this probationary state; yea, this preparatory state; for except it were for these conditions, **mercy** could not take effect except it should destroy the work of **justice**.

[Alma 19:97](#) And now the plan of **mercy** could not be brought about, except an atonement should be made; therefore God himself atoneth for the sins of the world, to bring about the plan of **mercy**, to appease the demands of **justice**, that God might be a perfect, just God, and a merciful God also.

[Alma 19:103](#) And if there was no law given if men sinned, what could **justice** do, or **mercy** either: for they would have no claim upon the creature.

[Alma 19:104](#) But there is a law given and a punishment affixed, and repentance granted; which repentance, **mercy** claimeth: otherwise, **justice** claimeth the creature, and executeth the law, and the

law inflicteth the punishment; if not so, the works of **justice** would be destroyed, and God would cease to be God.

[Alma 19:106](#) And thus they are restored into his presence; to be judged according to their works; according to the law and **justice**; for behold, **justice** exerciseth all his demands, and also **mercy** claimeth all which is her own; and thus, none but the truly penitent are saved.

[Alma 19:107](#) What, do ye suppose that **mercy** can rob **justice**? I say unto you, Nay; not one whit. If so, God would cease to be God.

Not enough to just say I forgive you.

Salvation comes to those whose hearts are changed and to none else

[Alma 8:96](#) And he shall come into the world to redeem his people; and he shall take **upon** him the transgressions of those who believe on his name; and these are they that shall have eternal life, and salvation cometh to **none else**;

What is the evidence of a changed heart?

[Mosiah 3:3](#) And also, we know of their surety and truth, because of the Spirit of the Lord Omnipotent, which has wrought a mighty **change** in us, or in our **hearts**, that we have no more disposition to do evil, but to do good continually.

[Mosiah 3:9](#) For behold, this day he hath spiritually begotten you; for ye say that your **hearts** are **changed** through faith on his name; therefore, ye are born of him, and have become his sons and his daughters.

[Alma 3:11](#) Behold, he **changed** their **hearts**; yea, he awaked them out of a deep sleep, and they awoke unto God.

[Alma 3:29](#) Have ye experienced this mighty change in your hearts?

What part do faith and repentance play?

[Helaman 5:96](#) Yea, the prophecies of the holy prophets, which are written, which leadeth them to faith on the Lord, and unto repentance, which faith and repentance bringeth a **change of heart** unto them

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What is the point of life?

Didn't have a marvelous miraculous change. I got baptized because I found the church and sometimes there are good times and sometimes life is rough. In fact, it seems more the latter.

- King Benjamin's people: no more disposition to do evil:
 - [Mosiah 3:3](#) And also, we know of their surety and truth, because of the Spirit of the Lord Omnipotent, which has wrought a mighty change in us, or in our hearts, that we have no more **disposition** to do evil, but to do good continually.
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- Alma jr: I have been born again
- **Lamanite guards. Prison Story.** Helaman 2: **114** And there were about three hundred souls who saw and heard these things; and they were bid to go forth and marvel not, neither should they doubt.
115 And it came to pass that they did go forth, and did minister unto the people, declaring throughout all the regions round about, all the things which they had heard and seen, insomuch that the more part of the Lamanites were convinced of them, because of the greatness of the evidences which they had received;
- **Lamanites swords in the earth.** King speaks, thought he was a good salesman. No. Hearts were changed.
- **Lamoni, I will give away all my sins**

- Alma 12: **175** And it came to pass that when Ammon arose, he also administered unto them, and also did all the servants of Lamoni;
176 And they did all declare unto the people the self-same thing; that their hearts had been changed; that they had no more desire to do evil.

Israel, Exodus, symbolism.

What was the point of the Israelites journey?

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Preface class with the standard—will be the words of the Nephites to Israel.

[2 Nephi 12:43-44](#) he words of your seed should proceed forth out of my mouth unto your seed. And my words shall hiss forth unto the ends of the earth, for a **standard** unto my people, which are of the house of Israel.

The Parashim who visited Jesus. The Separate one. He was Clean on the outside. Jesus tells the most important thing: you must be clean on the inside. And that does not happen until you are changed by God's Spirit.

I thought most important thing was faith and repentance?

Faith and repentance lead you to the change of heart.

[Helaman 5:96](#) Yea, the prophecies of the holy prophets, which are written, which leadeth them to **faith** on the Lord, and unto **repentance**, which **faith** and **repentance** bringeth a **change** of heart unto them;

The Change of Heart, demonstrates all in Adam: Justice, the Infinite sacrifice required, Jesus Christ becomes because of gracious love, the change of Heart required, only happens by His Spirit entering us, cleansing us.

[Genesis 6:61 - Genesis 6:68](#)

61 Therefore I give unto you a commandment, to teach these things freely unto your children, saying, that by reason of transgression cometh the fall, which fall bringeth death; and inasmuch as ye were born into the world by water and blood, and the spirit, which I have made, and so become of dust a living soul;

62 Even so ye must be born again, into the kingdom of heaven, of water, and of the Spirit, and be cleansed by blood, even the blood of mine Only Begotten; that ye may be sanctified from all sin;

63 For, by the water ye keep the commandment; by the Spirit ye are justified; and by the blood ye are sanctified.

65 And now, behold, I say unto you, This is the plan of salvation unto all men, through the blood of mine Only Begotten, who shall come in the

meridian of time.

67 And it came to pass, when the Lord had spoken with Adam our father, that Adam cried unto the Lord, and he was caught away by the Spirit of the Lord, and was carried down into the water, and was laid under the water, and was brought forth out of the water; and thus he was baptized.

68 And the Spirit of God descended upon him, and thus he was born of the Spirit, and became quickened in the inner man.

Alma—I have been born again. The day of Alma’s ‘Baptism’

17. That payment to overcome the demands of justice could only be made by the Creator himself. |{Alma 19:97}

18. Only an Eternal and Infinite sacrifice could satisfy the laws of eternity, otherwise man would be eternally separated from God. |{2 Nephi 6:15} {2 Nephi 6:16} {Alma 16:210} {Alma 16:213} {Alma 16:215}

19. The 'payment' was limited to one option: God himself would take upon flesh, living without sin, and die for the sins of man, in the hands of His own creation. This act was the eternal act of Grace. This is the only way that the demands of justice could be overcome. |{Mosiah 8:5} {Mosiah 8:13} {Mosiah 8:28} {Alma 16:216}

20. Grace means that the Creator did for us what we could not do for ourselves, that was to pay an eternal price we could not pay. The price of sin was eternally infinite in cost. To pay an infinite price was something only the Creator could do. |{2 Nephi 7:42} {2 Nephi 6:15-17}

21. His Gracious act to save is called 'The Plan of Mercy.' |{Alma 16:217}

"And thus mercy can satisfy the demands of justice, and encircles them in the arms of safety, while he that exercises no faith unto repentance, is exposed to the whole law of the demands of justice; therefore, only unto him that has faith unto repentance, is brought about the great and eternal plan of redemption."

[Read Here: Alma 16:217](#)

{Alma 9:54}

"But God did call on men, in the name of his Son, (this being the plan of redemption which was laid,) saying: If ye will repent, and harden not your hearts, then will I have mercy upon you, through mine only begotten Son."

[Read Here: Alma 9:54](#)

22. Salvation offered by Grace means that God stepped out of eternity into time, to pay a price we could not pay ourselves. Grace means that he offered to do it willingly-it was His idea, not something we asked for or worked for. |{John 10:15} {John 10:18} {John 15:13} {1 John 3:16}

23. Grace does not mean there is nothing we have to do, but rather there is nothing we could have done. |{Titus 2:11}

24. Salvation through His Grace is offered to every human soul, and God denies none who come to him. |{2 Nephi 11:114}

25. This gift is freely offered to all. |{2 Nephi 11:114} {2 Nephi 1:66} {2 Nephi 1:120} {2 Nephi 7:40} {Helaman 5:85}

26. But Grace by itself cannot rob Justice. In other words, Grace does not simply fix everything on its own. Humans must respond. That response required is a change within the heart of man. |{Alma 19:107} {Genesis 6:62} {John 3:7} {Mosiah 11:187} {Alma 5:24}

27. God's plan is to offer salvation to mankind. Salvation is the greatest of all gifts. |{1 Nephi 4:63}

28. To be saved means to have Eternal life with God. |{John 17:3}

29. The final state of man is to dwell in the Kingdom of God or be cast out from His presence. |{1 Nephi 4:61} {Alma 16:234} {3 Nephi 11:33}

30. If we do not change, we face justice and mercy has no claim. |{Alma 19:111} {Alma 8:97} {Alma 9:32}

31. This First Death is temporary, as all mankind will return to stand before God. This is made possible only because of the death of Jesus. Being 'redeemed' means salvation, but being redeemed also means we will be brought back into His

presence for judgement. Jesus death makes that at all possible. |{Helaman 5:71} {Alma 19:105} {Mormon 4:72}

32. Eternal and final separation from God is the Second Death. |{Alma 9:52} {Revelation 20:6} {Alma 10:30} {Helaman 5:73}

33. God's plan is to bring us back into His presence, overcoming the penalty of sin is the only payment sufficient to meet the penalty. The Creator's life was sacrificed for His own Creation. |{Alma 16:210} {Alma 16:216}

34. His purpose is to bring to pass our immortality, being Mighty to Save. As many as believe on His Name shall receive of His FULLNESS. |{John 1:16} {Isaiah 63:1} {Alma 5:25} {Alma 16:218}

35. The Final Prophecy describes how the world returns to Christ in the end.

The Type and Shadow of the Mosaic Law—teaching Justice, Mercy via the Atonement.

The Change of heart—evidenced by Charity.

[Moroni 7:50](#) And if a man be meek and lowly in heart, and confesses by the power of the Holy Ghost, that Jesus is the Christ, he must needs have **charity**; for if he have not **charity**, he is nothing; wherefore he must needs have **charity**.... wherefore, my beloved brethren, if ye have not **charity**, ye are nothing, for **charity** never faileth... Wherefore, cleave unto **charity**, which is the greatest of all, for all things must fail; but **charity** is the pure love of Christ, and it endureth for ever; and whoso is found possessed of it at the last day, it shall be well with them.

Outline for class:

- Previous Review
- The Standard
- The Change
- You must be spiritually changed.
- Jesus and the Parshim
- The Destroyer of the Church
- Alma's story
- The People of Zarahemla
- Alma's Calling
- When the Sinful are baptized by Fire: Helaman 2
- The message started with The First man Adam
- I thought it was all about faith and repentance?
- When we stand before God.

The Question of a changed Heart. Alma 3.

Asks over 40 questions. To whom? Those of the church.