

Discrepancy #2

Mike's Video

They Ask?

- Why is sacrifice required for “Jesus to forgive sin/us”

The Question

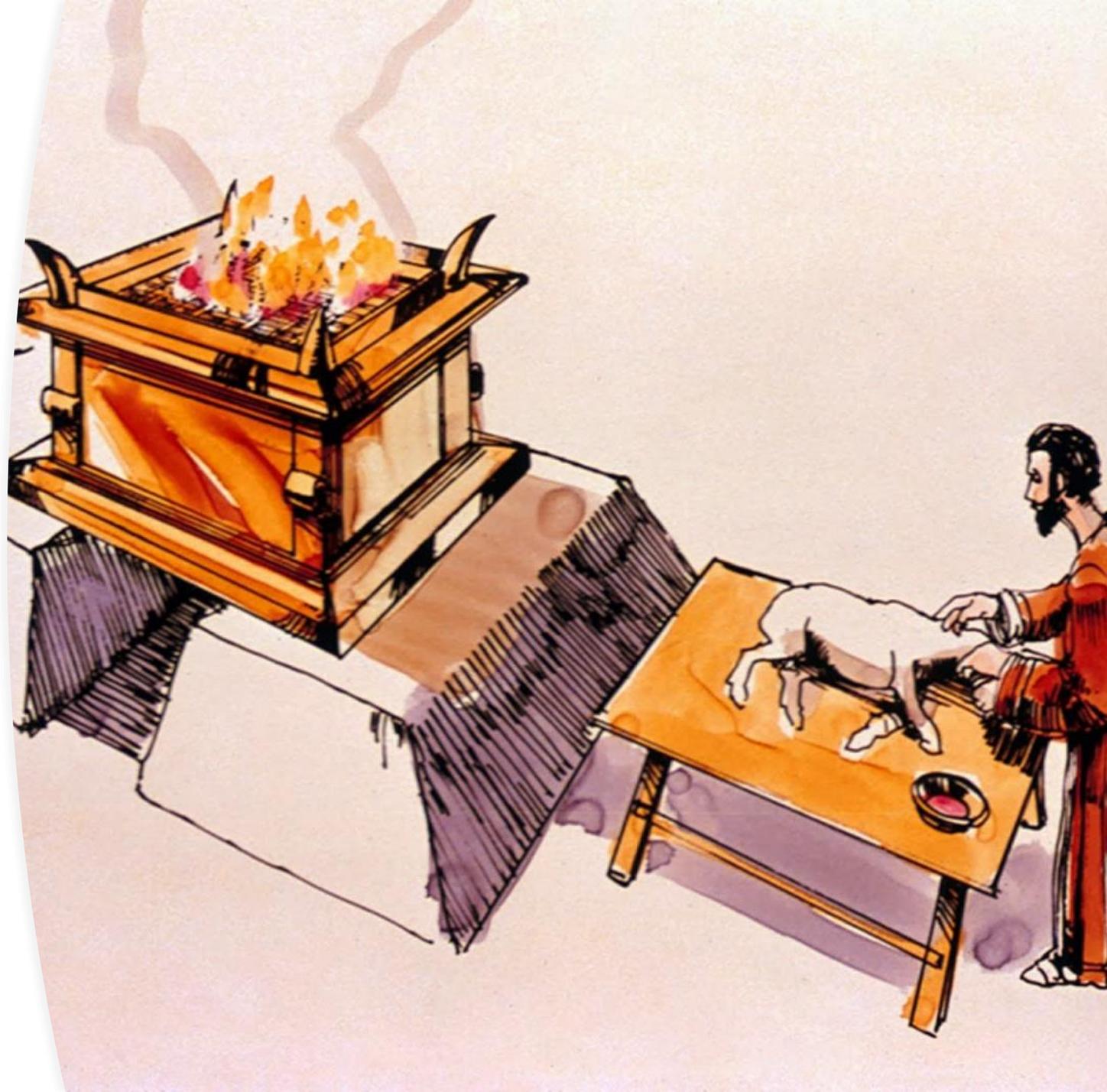
- Comes from misunderstanding

Incorrect Thought

- That Jesus needs to kill something for forgiveness to occur

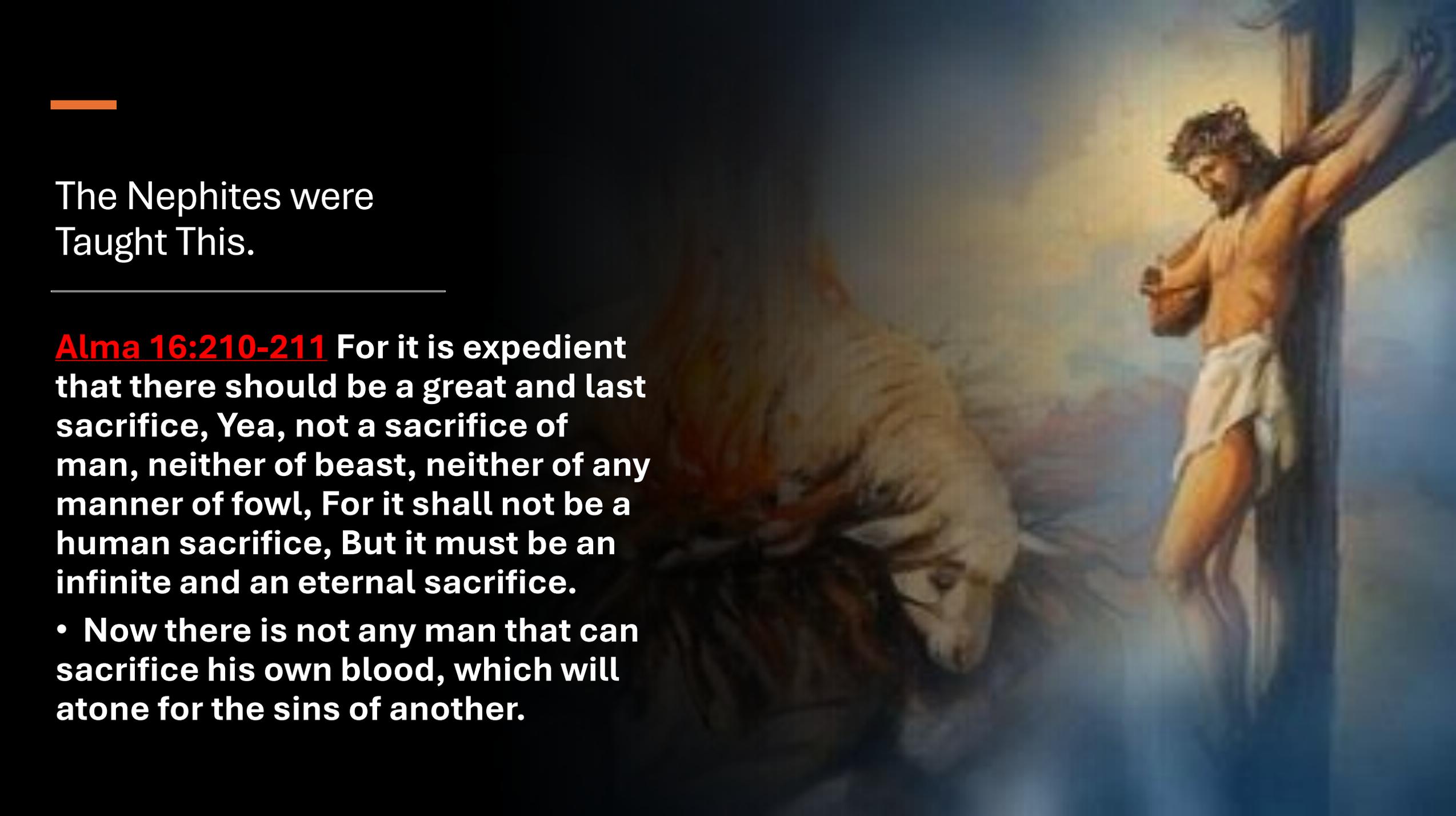
The Law of Moses was a SYMBOL

- That's where all the blood came from
- It symbolized Jesus FUTURE blood.



The Nephites were Taught This.

**2 Nephi 11:45-46 And notwithstanding we believe in Christ,
We keep the law of Moses and look forward with
steadfastness unto Christ until the law shall be fulfilled, For,
for this end was the law given; Wherefore, the law hath
become dead unto us, And we are made alive in Christ
because of our faith;**



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Alma 16:210-211 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 an eternal sacrifice.

- Now there is not any man that can sacrifice his own blood, which will atone for the sins of another.

They need to understand...

- No blood of an animal ever forgave sin.
- Killing animals didn't make God 'happy.' These were only symbols to teach humans.
- The Law of Moses was in affect over Israel from the Exodus until Jesus died on the Cross.

The Book of Mormon Explains:

Mosiah 1:110 'Yet the Lord God saw that **His people were a stiff-necked people** and He appointed unto them a law, even the law of Moses.

(LDS: [Mosiah 3:14](#))

Mosiah 1:113 And yet they hardened their hearts and understood not that **the law of Moses availeth nothing, except it were through the atonement of His blood.**

(LDS: [Mosiah 3:15](#))

The Real issue is Justice must be Satisfied

- God's words can not be changed or taken back.
- If he says something, it sticks.
- God said to Adam, 'in the day you eat you will surely die.'
- Dying meant being separated from God....forever.
- Adam and Even partook.
- God could not take back his word.
- This pronouncement was upon humanity forever.
- THIS IS JUSTICE.

The question is not about God's ability to forgive

The question is, how can sin be removed.

Our sin is what separated us from God.

What was the cost of our sin?

Mercy can not rob Justice

- Means God can not say 'I didn't mean it.'
- God did not issue idle threats
- There was no way God could allow us to be with him, even if he forgave us.
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Justice and Mercy

- Justice is that we were cast out of God's Presence Forever by our own will.
- It can not be undone because God can not take back his word.
- Justice must still persist.
- But Mercy can overcome justice. It required a payment equal to the debt.

An Infinite Atonement

- The Cost of Humanities Sin was INFINITE.
- ONLY an INFINITE Atonement will Satisfy and Infinite Debt.

Mercy can not Rob Justice

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

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Alma 16:217 "And thus mercy can satisfy the demands of justice and encircles them in the arms of safety, While he that exerciseth no faith unto repentance is exposed to the whole law of the demands of justice; Therefore, only unto him that hath faith unto repentance is brought about the great and eternal plan of redemption.

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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;

How is it done?

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.**

Discrepancy-Was Jesus Afraid to Die?

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[Mosiah 1:101](#) For behold, **blood cometh from every pore, so great shall be His anguish for the wickedness and the abominations of His people.**

(LDS: [Mosiah 3:7](#))

Jesus was Determined from the Beginning

Alma 5: 20-23 (LDS: Alma 7:11)

And He shall go forth, suffering pains and afflictions and temptations of every kind,
And this that the word might be fulfilled which saith
He will take upon Him the pains and the sicknesses of His people;

And He will take upon Him death,
That He may loose the bands of death which bind His people;
And He will take upon Him their infirmities,
That His bowels may be filled with mercy, according to the flesh,
That He may know according to the flesh, how to succor His people according to their infirmities.

Now the Spirit knoweth all things;
Nevertheless, the Son of God suffereth, according to the flesh,
That He might take upon Him the sins of His people,
That He might blot out their transgressions according to the power of His deliverance.

And now behold, this is the testimony which is in me.

Alma 5:25 (LDS: Alma 7:13)

Therefore,
Come and be baptized unto repentance,
That ye may be washed from your sins,
That ye may have faith on the Lamb of God
Which taketh away the sins of the world,
Which is mighty to save and to cleanse from all unrighteousness.