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Book of Mormon teachings on Premortality.

Alma 13:3-5

- Prepared from foundation.
- Foreknowledge of God
- First place to choose good or evil
- Chose good- came to earth?
- Those that chose evil have not had such a great privilege as their brethren.
- First in the same standing before choosing evil.

Questions.

How was our faith exceeding enough to choose good and come to earth? When were we left to choose? What holy calling? What does preparatory redemption mean? Blindness of the mind? All on same standing before, what happened to those that hardened their hearts?

1828 Definitions

Evil: Having bad qualities of a moral kind. Evil thoughts, deeds, speaking etc.

Good: Valid, not weak or false. Moral qualities which Gods law requires. Virtuous.

Standing: Continuance; duration or existence; Rank or condition in society.

LDS Scripture Citation

We are eternal beings. In premortal realms, we brethren were foreordained for our priesthood responsibilities. See Alma 3:1-5. Russell M. Nelson, April conference 2004.

In class notes.

2 Nephi 2:17-18; 9:8, 9, 16.

- Angel of God fell from heaven becoming a devil.
- Lehi says according to what was written.
- Sought what was evil before God.
- Having fallen, sought misery on all mankind
- He was the old serpent that talked to Eve.
- Father of all lies.
• Told Eve to partake of Forbidden Fruit to not die, but live forever.
• In 9:8 No more be subject to that angel that fell from before the presence of God.
• That fallen angel became the devil. To rise no more.
• Become like unto him, devils. Shut out of presence of God.
• Transformed himself nigh unto an angel of light.
• Stirreth up children of men to secret combinations- secret works and darkness.
• Devil is filthy, shall be filthy still.
• Go away to an everlasting fire who’s torment is a lake of fire and brimstone.
• Forever and has no end.

Questions.

Who is the angel of God that fell? And where did he fall to? Became a devil not the devil? What evil did he seek before God? Where was this written that Lehi knows of this? A devil fallen seeking misery on all mankind, why? Old serpent? Now it say The devil, the father of all lies? The devil to rise no more, as in no resurrection? Secret works and combinations? What does fire and brimstone mean? Never ending torment?

1828 Definitions.

Fallen: Dropped; descended; degraded; ruined.
Filthy: Dirty; foul; nasty. Polluted; defiled by sinful practices; morally impure.

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Mosiah 3:6

• Cast out devils, or evil spirits that dwell in the hearts of the children of men.

Questions.

Are devils and evil spirits the same? How can they dwell in our hearts?

1828 Definitions.

Devil: Expelled from heaven, chief apostate of the angels. A very wicked person, an great evil.
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