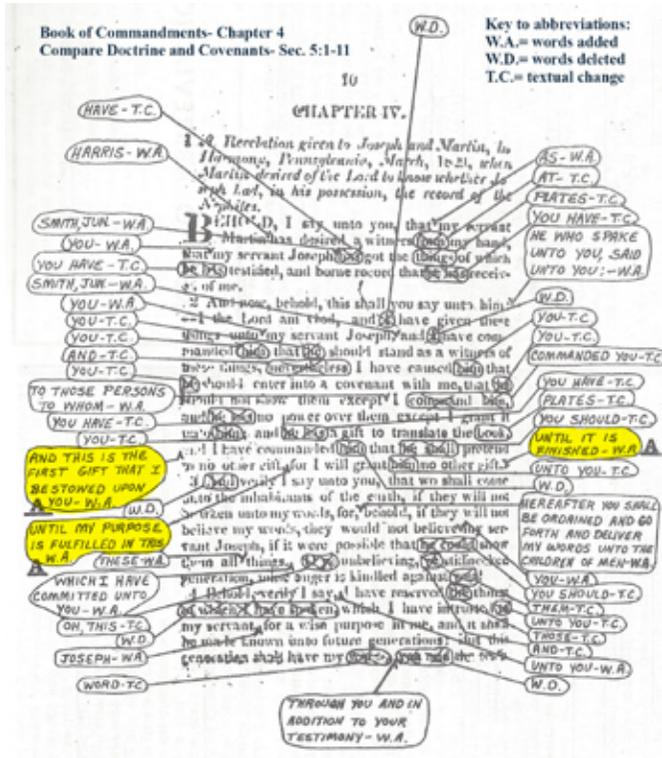


Later, Smith pretended to the gift of translating the Bible and then the *Book of Abraham*. Rather than receiving a new revelation concerning "other gifts," the old revelation was falsified. This would allow the Church to accept Smith's later writings as scripture.

The revelation now claims this would be the "FIRST GIFT" and Smith would not receive another gift "UNTIL MY PURPOSE IS FULFILLED IN THIS."



THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE

Since the first printing of the *Pearl of Great Price* in 1851, there have been over 1,600 WORD CHANGES. The following photocopy is of the 1851 edition of the *Pearl of Great Price* (page 41, first paragraph). Here, the angel that told Joseph Smith about the "gold plates" is named, "NEPHI." Modern editions have been changed to read, "MORONI." (Compare *Pearl of Great Price*, 1981 edition, Joseph Smith-History 1:33)

This could not have been a "clerical error." While Joseph Smith was editor of the Church newspaper the *Times and Seasons*, he printed his history and claimed the angel's name was "NEPHI" (vol. 3, p.753). He never made a retraction. Even the handwritten manuscript for the *History of the Church* reads, "NEPHI."

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son. When I first looked upon him I was afraid, but the fear soon left me. He called me by name and said unto me, that he was a messenger sent from the presence of God to me, and that his name was Nephi. That God had a work for me to do and that my name should be had for good and evil among all nations, kindreds, and tongues; or that it should be both good and evil spoken of among all people. He said there was a book deposited, written upon gold plates, giving an account of the former inhabitants of this continent, and the source from whence they sprang. He also said that, the fulness of the everlasting gospel was contained in it, as delivered by the Saviour to the ancient inhabitants. Also, that there were two stones in silver bows (and these stones, fastened to a breastplate, constituted what is called the Urim and Thummim) deposited with the plates, and the possession and use of these stones was what constituted Seers in ancient or former times, and that God had prepared them for the purpose of translating the book.

THE BIBLE WARNS!

ADD THOU NOT UNTO HIS WORDS, Lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar." (Proverbs 30:6)

Ye shall not ADD unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye DIMINISH aught from it,... (Deuteronomy 4:2)

WHY NOT TRUST THE BIBLE ALONE?

God, who at sundry times and in divers manners SPAKE IN TIME PAST unto the fathers by the prophets, HATH IN THESE LAST DAYS spoken unto us by his Son (Hebrews 1:1,2)

THE LAW AND THE PROPHETS WERE UNTIL JOHN: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it. (Luke 16:16)

Jesus saith unto him, I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND, THE LIFE, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)

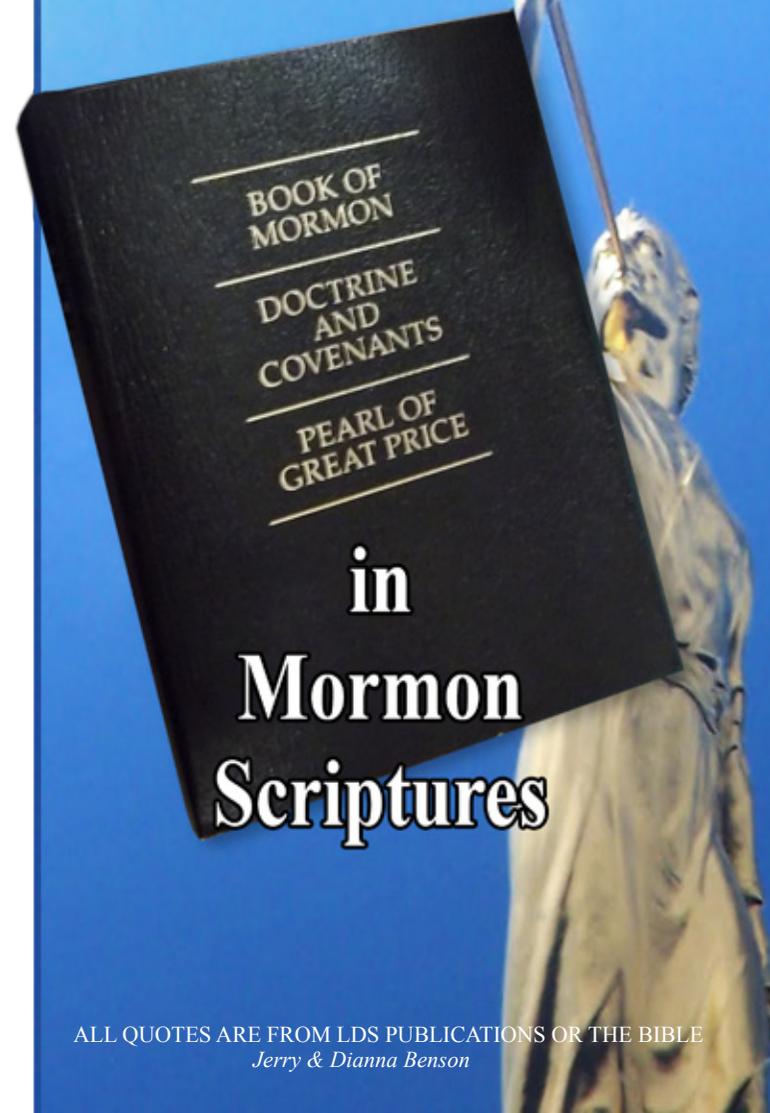
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