

Time of the Gentiles

3 Nep 16:6 And blessed are the ^aGentiles, because of their belief in me, in and of the Holy Ghost, which ^bwitnesses unto them of me and of the Father.

7 Behold, because of their belief in me, saith the Father, and because of the unbelief of you, O house of Israel, in the ^alatter day shall the truth come unto the ^bGentiles, that the fulness of these things shall be made known unto them.

8 But wo, saith the Father, unto the ^aunbelieving of the Gentiles—for notwithstanding they have come forth upon the face of this land, and have ^bscattered my people who are of the house of Israel; and my people who are of the house of Israel have been ^ccast out from among them, and have been trodden under feet by them;

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, thus hath the Father commanded me—that I should give unto ^athis people this land for their inheritance.

3 Nep 20:11 Ye remember that I spake unto you, and said that when the ^awords of ^bIsaiah should be fulfilled—behold they are written, ye have them before you, therefore search them—

12 And verily, verily, I say unto you, that when they shall be fulfilled ...

14 And the Father hath ^acommanded me that I should give unto you this land, for your inheritance.

3 Nep 21: 1 And verily I say unto you, I give unto you a ^asign, that ye may know the ^btime when these things shall be about to take place—that I shall gather in, from their long dispersion, my people, O house of Israel, and shall establish again among them my Zion;

2 And behold, this is the thing which I will give unto you for a sign—for verily I say unto you that ^awhen these things which I declare unto you, and which I shall declare unto you hereafter of myself, and by the power of the Holy Ghost which shall be given unto you of the Father, shall be made known unto the Gentiles that they may

know concerning this people who are a remnant of the house of Jacob, and concerning this my people who shall be scattered by them;

↓ Verily, verily, I say unto you, when these things shall be made ^aknown unto them of the Father, and shall come forth of the Father, ^bfrom them unto you;

↓ For it is wisdom in the Father that they should be established in this land, and be set up as a ^afree people by the power of the Father, that these things might come forth from them unto a remnant of your seed, that the ^bcovenant of the Father may be fulfilled which he hath covenanted with his people, O house of Israel;

5 Therefore, when these works and the works which shall be wrought among you hereafter shall come forth ^afrom the Gentiles, unto your ^bseed which shall dwindle in unbelief because of iniquity;



The Lord has designated these days in which we live as the “times of the Gentiles” (Luke 21:24). The Gentile nations are the so-called Christian nations—North and South America and the European nations from which many of us came. The phrase times of the Gentiles refers to that period of time extending from when the gospel was restored to the world (1830) to when the gospel will again be preached to the Jews—after the Gentiles have rejected it.



D&C 90:9 That through your administration they may receive the word, and through their administration the word may go forth unto the ends of the earth, unto the Gentiles first, and then, behold, and lo, they shall turn unto the Jews.

And when the times of the Gentiles is come in, a light shall break forth among them that sit in darkness, and it shall be the fullness of my gospel; [D&C 45:28]









The Gospel is now restored to us Gentiles, for we are all Gentiles in a national capacity, and it will continue with us if we are faithful, until the law is bound, and the testimony sealed, [Isa. 8:16](#) and the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled, when it will again revert to the Jews, whom the Lord will have prepared to receive it. [1 Ne. 10:12-14](#) [1 Ne. 15:12-19](#) They will gather to their own land, taking with them their gold and silver, and will rebuild their city and temple, according to the prediction of Moses and the Prophets. When this time arrives, which is nigh, even at our doors, let the Gentile nations who reject the Gospel which is now sent to them, prepare to meet the judgments of an offended God! [3 Ne. 16:4-15](#) For when their cup is full even to the [\[p. 221a\]](#)brim, the Lord will then remember the chastisements of the Jews, his favored people, and at whose hands they will have received double for their iniquities. [Isa. 40:2](#) [Jer. 16:18](#) Offenses must come, said the Savior; but woe unto them by whom they come. [Matt. 18:7](#) Woe unto the Gentiles, who have administered afflictions to the Jews for these many years! Woe unto them if they now reject this only means of salvation, for the awful calamities spoken of in these books, the Bible and Book of Mormon, will certainly befall them. Willford Woodruff JD

3 Nep 21: 6 For thus it behooveth the Father that it should come forth from the ^aGentiles, that he may show forth his power unto the Gentiles, for this cause that the Gentiles, **if they will not harden their hearts, that they may repent and come unto me and be baptized in my name and know of the true points of my doctrine,** that they may be ^bnumbered among my people, O house of Israel;
7 And when these things come to pass that thy ^aseed shall begin to know these things—it shall be a sign unto them, that they may know that the work of the Father hath already commenced unto the fulfilling of the covenant which he hath made unto the people who are of the house of Israel.

9 For in that day, for my sake shall the Father ^awork a work, which shall be a great and a ^bmarvelous ^cwork among them; and there shall be among them those who will not believe it, although a man shall declare it unto them.

10 But behold, the life of my servant shall be in my hand; therefore they shall not hurt him, although he shall be ^amarred because of them. Yet I will heal him, for I will show unto them that ^bmy wisdom is greater than the cunning of the devil.



| Sequence of Events Leading to the Establishment of God's Kingdom | |
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|  | Nephite nation destroyed (see 1 Nephi 12:19–23) |
|  | Nephite record preserved (see 1 Nephi 13:35, 40) |
|  | Land of promise discovered by Gentiles (see 1 Nephi 13:12) |
|  | Land of promise settled by Gentiles (see 1 Nephi 13:13–16) |
|  | An international war in the land of promise (Revolutionary War; see 1 Nephi 13:16–19) |
|  | Gentiles who hearken to the Lord may be "numbered among the house of Israel" (Restoration of the gospel; see 1 Nephi 14:1–2) |
|  | New scripture comes forth (see 1 Nephi 13:35–40; 14:7) |
|  | Christ's Church restored (see 1 Nephi 14:10–17) |

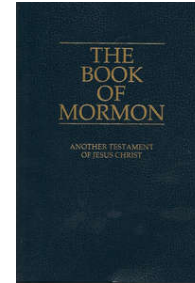
3 Nep 16:4 ... that these sayings which ye shall write shall be kept and shall be manifested unto the ^bGentiles, that through the fulness of the Gentiles, the remnant of their seed, who shall be scattered forth upon the face of the earth because of their ^cunbelief, may be brought in, or may be brought to a ^dknowledge of me, their Redeemer.

3 Nep 20:15 And I say unto you, that if the Gentiles do not ^arepent after the ^bblessing which they shall receive, after they have scattered my people—

16 Then shall ye, who are a ^aremnant of the house of Jacob, go forth among them; and ye shall be in the midst of them who shall be many; and ye shall be among them as a lion among the beasts of the forest, and as a young ^blion among the flocks of sheep, who, if he goeth through both ^ctreadeth down and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.

3 Nep 21:11 Therefore it shall come to pass that whosoever will not believe in my words, who am Jesus Christ, which the Father shall cause ^ahim to bring forth unto the ^bGentiles, and shall give unto him power that he shall bring them forth unto the Gentiles, (it shall be done even as Moses said) they shall be ^ccut off from among my people who are of the covenant.

12 And my people who are a remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles, yea, in the midst of them as a ^alion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep, who, if he go through both treadeth down and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.



5 And then will I ^agather them in from the four quarters of the earth; and then will I fulfil the ^bcovenant which the Father hath made unto all the people of the ^chouse of Israel.

17 Thy hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.

18 And I will ^agather my people together as a man gathereth his sheaves into the floor.

19 For I will make my ^apeople with whom the Father hath covenanted, yea, I will make thy ^bhorn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass. And thou shalt ^cbeat in pieces many people; and I will consecrate their gain unto the Lord, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth. And behold, I am he who doeth it.

20 And it shall come to pass, saith the Father, that the ^asword of my justice shall hang over them at that day; and except they repent it shall fall upon them, saith the Father, yea, even upon all the nations of the Gentiles.

21 And it shall come to pass that I will establish my ^apeople, O house of Israel.

13 Their hand shall be lifted up upon their ^aadversaries, and all their enemies shall be cut off.

14 Yea, wo be unto the Gentiles except they ^arepent; for it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Father, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy ^bchariots;

15 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy ^astrongholds;

16 And I will cut off ^awitchcrafts out of thy land, and thou shalt have no more soothsayers;

9 And because of the mercies of the Father unto the Gentiles, and also the judgments of the Father upon my people who are of the house of Israel, verily, verily, I say unto you, that after all this, and I have caused my people who are of the house of Israel to be smitten, and to be afflicted, and to be ^aslain, and to be cast out from among them, and to become ^bhated by them, and to become a hiss and a byword among them—

And in that day shall be heard of wars and rumors of wars, and the whole earth shall be in commotion, and men's hearts shall fail them, and they shall say that Christ delayeth his coming until the end of the earth. And the love of men shall wax cold, and iniquity shall abound. [D&C 45:26–27]

But they receive it not; for they perceive not the light, and they turn their hearts from me because of the precepts of men. And in that generation shall the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. [D&C 45:29–30]

And again, this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world, for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come, or the destruction of the wicked. [JST Matthew 24:32]

10 And thus commandeth the Father that I should say unto you: At that day when the Gentiles shall **sin** against my gospel, and shall reject the fulness of my gospel, and shall be **lifted up** in the pride of their hearts above all nations, and above all the

people of the whole earth, and shall be filled with all manner of lyings, and of deceits, and of mischiefs, and all manner of hypocrisy, and **murders**, and **priestcrafts**, and whoredoms, and of secret abominations; and if they shall do all those things, and shall **reject the fulness of my gospel**, behold, saith the Father, I will bring the fulness of my gospel from among them.

13 But if the Gentiles will repent and return unto me, saith the Father, behold they shall be **numbered** among my people, O house of Israel.

14 And I will not suffer my people, who are of the house of Israel, to go through among them, and tread them down, saith the Father.

15 But if they will not turn unto me, and hearken unto my voice, I will suffer them, yea, I will suffer my people, O house of Israel, that they shall go through among them, and shall **tread** them down, and they shall be as salt that hath lost its savor, which is thenceforth good for nothing but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of my people, O house of Israel.

22 And behold, this **people** will I establish in this land, unto the fulfilling of the **covenant** which I made with your father Jacob; and it shall be a **New Jerusalem**. And the **powers** of heaven shall be in the midst of this people; yea, even **I** will be in the midst of you.

23 Behold, I am he of whom Moses spake, saying: **A prophet** shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. And it shall come to pass that every soul who will not hear that prophet shall be cut off from among the people.

24 Verily I say unto you, yea, and **all** the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have testified of me.

25 And behold, ye are the **children** of the prophets; and ye are of the house of Israel; and ye are of the **covenant** which the Father made with your fathers, saying unto Abraham: And **in** thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.

26 The Father having raised me up unto you first, and sent me to **bless** you in **turning** away every one of you from his iniquities; and this because ye are the children of the covenant—

27 And after that ye were blessed then fulfilled the Father the covenant which he made with Abraham, saying: **In** thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed—unto the pouring out of the Holy Ghost through me upon the Gentiles, which **blessing** upon the **Gentiles** shall make them mighty above all, unto the **scattering** of my people, O house of Israel.

28 And they shall be a **scourge** unto the people of this land. Nevertheless, when they shall have received the fulness of my gospel, then if they shall harden their hearts against me I will return their **iniquities** upon their own heads, saith the Father.

3 Nep 21: 17 Thy **graven images** I will also cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee, and thou shalt no more worship the works of thy hands;

18 And I will pluck up thy **groves** out of the midst of thee; so will I destroy thy cities.

19 And it shall come to pass that all **lyings**, and deceivings, and envyings, and strifes, and priestcrafts, and whoredoms, shall be done away.

20 For it shall come to pass, saith the Father, that at that **day** whosoever will not repent and come unto my Beloved Son, them will I **cut off** from among my people, O house of Israel;

21 And I will execute **vengeance** and **fury** upon them, even as upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.

22 But if they will repent and hearken unto my words, and **harden** not their hearts, I will **establish** my church among them, and they shall come in unto the covenant and be **numbered** among this the remnant of Jacob, unto whom I have given this land for their **inheritance**;

23 And they shall assist my **people**, the remnant of Jacob, and also as many of the house of Israel as shall come, that they may build a city, which shall be called the **New Jerusalem**.

24 And then shall **they** assist my people that they may be gathered in, who are scattered upon all the face of the land, in unto the New Jerusalem.

25 And then shall the **power** of heaven come down among them; and **I** also will be in the midst.

For after your testimony cometh the testimony of earthquakes, that shall cause groanings in the midst of her, and men shall fall upon the ground and shall not be able to stand.

And also cometh the testimony of the voice of thunderings, and the voice of lightnings, and the voice of tempests, and the voice of the waves of the sea heaving themselves beyond their bounds.

And all things shall be in commotion; and surely, men's hearts shall fail them; for fear shall come upon all people. [D&C 88:89–91]

And there shall be men standing in that generation, that shall not pass until they shall see an overflowing scourge; for a desolating sickness shall cover the land.

But my disciples shall stand in holy places, and shall not be moved; but among the wicked, men shall lift up their voices and curse God and die.

And there shall be earthquakes also in divers places, and many desolations; yet men will harden their hearts against me, and they will take up the sword, one against another, and they will kill one another. [D&C 45:31–33]

The world will present a scene of conflict such as has never been experienced before. Still, men's hearts will be hardened to the revelations from heaven. Even greater signs shall then be given to manifest the approaching great day of the Lord. [ETB]

And they shall see signs and wonders, for they shall be shown forth in the heavens above, and in the earth beneath. And they shall behold blood, and fire, and vapors of smoke. And before the day of the Lord shall come, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon be turned into blood, and the stars shall fall from heaven. [D&C 45:40–42]

Time of the Gentiles Fulfilled

Time of the Jews

Wherefore, I must bring forth the fulness of my gospel from the Gentiles unto the house of Israel. [D&C 14:10]

3 Nep 16: 11 And then will I **remember** my covenant which I have made unto my people, O house of Israel, and I will bring my gospel unto them.

12 And I will show unto thee, O house of Israel, that the Gentiles shall not have power over you; but I will remember my covenant unto you, O house of Israel, and ye shall come unto the **knowledge** of the fulness of my gospel.

3 Nep 16:17 And then the **words** of the prophet Isaiah shall be fulfilled, which say: **18** **Thy watchmen** shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing, for they shall see eye to eye when the Lord shall bring again Zion.

19 Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem; for the Lord hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

20 The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of God.

3 Nep 20:12 ...then is the fulfilling of the **covenant** which the Father hath made unto his people, O house of Israel.

13 And then shall the **remnants**, which shall be **scattered** abroad upon the face of the earth, be **gathered** in from the east and from the west, and from the south and from the north; and they shall be brought to the **knowledge** of the Lord their God, who hath redeemed them.

3 Nep 20:29 And I will **remember** the covenant which I have made with my people; and I have covenanted with them that I would **gather** them together in mine own due time, that I would give unto them again the **land** of their fathers for their inheritance, which is the land of Jerusalem, which is the promised land unto them forever, saith the Father.

30 And it shall come to pass that the time cometh, when the fulness of my gospel shall be preached unto them;

31 And they shall **believe** in me, that I am Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and shall pray unto the Father in my name.

32 Then shall their **watchmen** lift up their voice, and with the voice together shall they sing; for they shall see eye to eye.

33 Then will the Father gather them together again, and give unto them **Jerusalem** for the **land** of their inheritance.

34 Then shall they break forth into joy—**Sing** together, ye waste places of Jerusalem; for the Father hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

35 The Father hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of the Father; and the Father and I are one.

36 And then shall be brought to pass that which is written: **Awake**, awake again, and put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city, for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

3 Nep 21:26 And then shall the work of the Father commence at that day, even **when** this gospel shall be preached among the remnant of **this people**. Verily I say unto you, at that day shall the work of the Father commence among all the dispersed of my people, yea, even the tribes which have been **lost**, which the Father hath led away out of Jerusalem.

And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. [Luke 21:24]

3 Nep 22:1 And then shall that which is written come to pass: Sing, O **barren**, thou that didst not bear; break forth into **singing**, and cry aloud, thou that didst not travail with child; for more are the children of the **desolate** than the children of the married wife, saith the Lord.

2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy **stakes**;

3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left, and thy seed shall **inherit** the **Gentiles** and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

D&C 133:2 The Lord who shall suddenly **come** to his temple; the Lord who shall come down upon the world with a curse to **judgment**; yea, upon all the nations that **forget** God, and upon all the ungodly among you.

3 For he shall make **bare** his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the **salvation** of their God.

4 Wherefore, prepare ye, prepare ye, O my people; sanctify yourselves; gather ye together, O ye people of my church, upon the land of Zion, all you that have not been commanded to **tarry**.

5 Go ye out from **Babylon**. Be ye **clean** that bear the vessels of the Lord.

D&C 1:13 And the anger of the Lord is kindled, and his sword is bathed in heaven, and it shall fall upon the inhabitants of the earth.

14 And the arm of the Lord shall be revealed; and the day cometh that they who will not hear the voice of the Lord, neither the voice of his servants, neither give heed to the words of the prophets and apostles, shall be cut off from among the people;

15 **For they have strayed from mine ordinances, and have broken mine everlasting covenant;**

16 They seek not the Lord to establish his righteousness, but every man walketh in his own way, and after the image of his own god, whose image is in the likeness of the world, and whose substance is that of an idol, which waxeth old and shall perish in Babylon, even Babylon the great, which shall fall.

3 Nep 20:37 Shake thyself from the dust; arise, sit down, O Jerusalem; loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

38 For thus saith the Lord: Ye have sold yourselves for naught, and ye shall be redeemed without money.

39 Verily, verily, I say unto you, that my people shall know my name; yea, in that day they shall know that I am he that doth speak.

40 And then shall they say: ^oHow beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings unto them, that ^bpublisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings unto them of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion: Thy God reigneth!

41 And then shall a cry go forth: ^oDepart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch not that which is ^bunclean; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye ^cclean that bear the vessels of the Lord.

42 For ye shall ^onot go out with ^bhaste nor go by flight; for the Lord will go before you, and the God of Israel shall be your rearward.

43 Behold, my servant shall deal prudently; he shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.

44 As many were astonished at thee—his visage was so marred, more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men—

45 So shall he ^osprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him, for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they ^bconsider.

46 Verily, verily, I say unto you, all these things shall surely come, even as the Father hath commanded me. Then shall this covenant which the Father hath covenanted with his people be fulfilled; and then shall ^oJerusalem be inhabited again with my people, and it shall be the land of their inheritance.

3 Nep 21:27 Yea, the work shall commence among all the ^odispersed of my people, with the Father to prepare the way whereby they may ^bcome unto me, that they may call on the Father in my name.

28 Yea, and then shall the work commence, with the Father among all nations in preparing the way whereby his people may be ^ogathered home to the land of their inheritance.

29 And they shall go out from all nations; and they shall ^onot go out in ^bhaste, nor go by flight, for I will go before them, saith the Father, and I will be their rearward.

3 Nep 21:8 And when that day shall come, it shall come to pass that kings shall shut their mouths; for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they ^oconsider.

3 Nep 22: 4 Fear not, for thou shalt not be ashamed; neither be thou confounded, for thou shalt not be put to ^oshame; for thou shalt forget the ^bshame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the ^creproach of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more.

5 For thy maker, thy ^ohusband, the Lord of Hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel—the God of the whole earth shall he be called.

6 For the Lord hath called thee ^oas a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.

7 For a small moment have I ^oforsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee.

8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment, but with everlasting ^okindness will I have ^bmercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer.

9 For ^othis, the ^bwaters of Noah unto me, for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth, so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee.

10 For the ^omountains shall depart and the hills be removed, but my ^bkindness shall not ^cdepart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

11 O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted! Behold, I will lay thy ^ostones with fair colors, and lay thy foundations with sapphires.

12 And I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.

13 And ^oall thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the ^bpeace of thy children.

Ezekiel 36:23 And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the ^oheathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be ^bsanctified in you before their eyes.

24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and ^ogather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own ^bland.

25 ¶ Then will I ^osprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your ^bfilthiness, and from all your ⁱidols, will I cleanse you.

And when that day shall come, it shall come to pass that kings shall shut their mouths; for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they ^oconsider.

3 Nep 22: 14 In [righteousness](#) shalt thou be established; thou shalt be far from oppression for thou shalt not fear, and from terror for it shall not come near thee.

15 Behold, they shall surely gather together [against](#) thee, not by me; whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

16 Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy.

17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall revile against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the [servants](#) of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.