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Mosiah 7

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THE RESCUE

LESSONS FROM THE TEMPLE (THE EFFECTUAL STRUGGLE)

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Mosiah 7:21

And ye all are witnesses this day, that Zeniff, who was made king over this people, he being overzealous to inherit the land of his fathers, therefore being deceived by the cunning and craftiness of king Laman,

22 And all this he did, for the sole purpose of bringing this people into subjection or into bondage.

23 And now, is not this grievous to be borne? And is not this, our affliction, great? Now behold, how great reason we have to mourn.



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- ▶ "Fanaticism is the devil's substitute for and perversion of true zeal. It is exhibited in wildly extravagant and overzealous views and acts. It is based either on unreasoning devotion to a cause, a devotion which closes the door to investigation and dispassionate study, or on an over emphasis of some particular doctrine or practice, an emphasis which twists the truth as a whole out of perspective.
- ▶ "Through the ages religious fanatics have fought and died on the field of battle in false causes; in the Church there are those who became fanatics...Stable and sound persons are never fanatics; they do not ride gospel hobbies." (*Mormon Doctrine*, p. 275)



LESSONS FROM THE TEMPLE (THE EFFECTUAL STRUGGLE)

- 1) Zeal without knowledge (Overzealous) can lead to being deceived. V. 21
- 2) When over zealousness blinds us, our inequities then place us in bondage v.21
- 3) Once in bondage to a wicked king, a grievous tribute (tax) must be paid and we prosper not... V. 29
- 4) Once in bondage we cannot save ourselves (...our many strugglings are in vain...) V. 18
- 5) God rescues us when we turn to him with:
 - 1) ...Full *purpose of heart*
 - 2) ...serve him with *all diligence of mind*. V.33



LIMHI THE SCRIPTURE SCHOLAR

Mosiah 7: 29-32 East Wind

Mosiah 8: 19-21 Wisdom



A silhouette of a figure with a halo, holding a staff and a tablet, standing on a rocky cliff against a blue sky. The figure is positioned on the left side of the image, with the staff held in the right hand and the tablet in the left. The background is a clear blue sky, and the foreground is a dark, rocky cliff.

SEE-ERS

Mosiah 8

SEE-ER

A silhouette of a person standing on a hill, looking out over a vast landscape at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow across the sky, which is filled with soft, wispy clouds. The person's hands are in their pockets, and they are standing with their back to the camera, looking towards the horizon.

It is important to note that the Hebrew root ra'ah, for Seer, is the same word used when it says that God SAW. (God saw that it was good...)

Thus, it can be suggested that a Seer sees what God sees; he is given some of the prophetic vision of God.