

Alma 26 Chiasm A

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- v1 And now, these are the words of Ammon to his brethren, which say thus:
A(1) My brothers and my brethren, behold I say unto you,
A(2) how great reason have we
A(3) to rejoice;
A(4) for could we have supposed
A(5) when we started from the land of Zarahemla
A(6) that God would have granted unto us *such great blessings?*
- v2 A(6) And now, I ask, what great blessings has he bestowed upon us?
A(7) *Can ye tell?*
- v3 B-1 Behold, I answer for you; for our brethren, the Lamanites,
B-2 were in darkness,
B-2 yea, even in the darkest abyss,
B-3 but behold,
B-4 how many of them are brought to behold the marvelous light of God!
B-5 And THIS IS THE BLESSING which hath been bestowed upon us, that we
have been made instruments in the hands of God to bring about this great
work.
- v4 C-1 Behold,
C-2 thousands of them
C-3 do rejoice,
C-3 and have been brought into the fold of God.
- v5 C-4 Behold, the field was ripe, and blessed are ye, for ye did thrust in the sickle,
and did reap with your might, yea, all the day long did ye labor;
C-5 and behold the number of your sheaves!
C-(6) a And they shall be gathered
b into the garners,
c that they are *not wasted*.
c Yea, they shall *not be beaten down* by the storm at the last
day;
d yea, neither shall they
e be harrowed up by the whirlwinds;
a but when the storm cometh they shall be gathered together
b in their place,
c that the storm cannot penetrate to them;
d yea, neither shall they
e be driven with fierce winds whithersoever the
enemy listeth to carry them.
- v7 C(7) But behold, they are in the hands of the **Lord of the harvest**, and **they are**
his; and he will **raise them up** at the last day.
- v8 D Blessed be the name of our God;
D let us sing to his praise,
D yea, let us give thanks to his holy name,
D for he doth work righteousness forever.
- v9 E For if we had not come up out of the land of Zarahemla, these our
dearly beloved brethren, who have so dearly beloved us, would still
have been racked with hatred against us, yea, and they would also have
been strangers to God.
- v10 F And it came to pass that when Ammon had said **these words**,

v11 G(1) his brother *Aaron rebuked him, saying:*
G(2) Ammon, I fear that *thy joy doth carry thee away*
G(3) unto boasting.
G(1) But *Ammon said unto him:*
G(3) I do not boast in my own strength, nor in my own
wisdom;
G(2) but behold, *my joy is full,*
G(2) yea, *my heart is brim with joy,*
F and *I will rejoice* in my God.

v12 E Yea, I know that I am nothing; as to my strength I am weak; therefore
I will not boast of myself, but I will boast of my God, for in his
strength I can do all things; yea, behold, many *mighty miracles* we
have wrought *in this land,*
D for which we will praise his name forever.

v13 C-1 Behold,
C-2 *how many thousands of our brethren*
C-3 has he *loosed from the pains of hell;*
C-3 and they *are brought to sing redeeming love,*
C-4 and this because of the *power of his word* which is in us,
C-5 therefore have we not great reason to rejoice?
v14 C-5 Yea, we have reason to praise him forever,
C(7) for he is *the MOST HIGH GOD,*
C(6) and *has loosed our brethren from the chains of hell.*

v15 B-1 Yea, *they*
B-2 were encircled about with everlasting darkness
B-2 and destruction;
B-3 but behold,
B-4 *he has brought them into his everlasting light,*
B-4 yea, into *everlasting salvation;*
B-4 and they are encircled about with the matchless bounty of his love;
B-5 yea, and we have been instruments in his hands of doing this great and
marvelous work.

v16 A(3) Therefore, let us glory,
A(3) yea, we will glory in the Lord;
A(3) yea, we will rejoice,
A(3) for our joy is full;
A(3) yea, we will praise our God forever.
A(2) Behold, who can glory too much in the Lord?
A(2) Yea, who can say too much
A(6) of his *great power,*
A(6) and of his *mercy,*
A(6) and of his *long-suffering* towards the children of men?
A(1) Behold, I say unto you,
A(7) *I cannot say the smallest part* which I feel.

v17 A(4) Who could have supposed
A(6) that our God would have been so merciful
A(5) as to have snatched us from our awful, sinful, and polluted state?