

# Premortal Spirit World

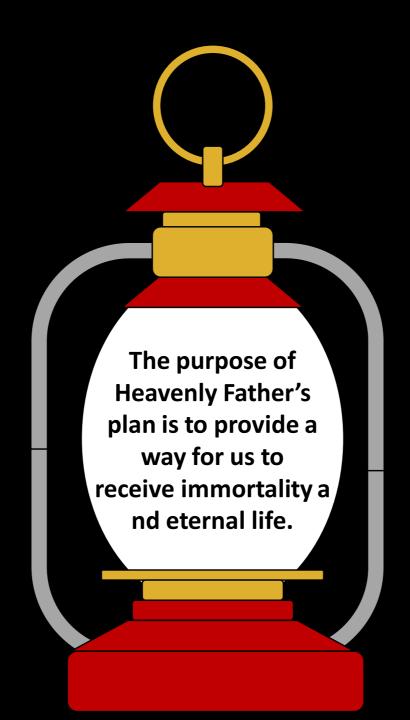
From the Beginning

Intelligences

Moses 4: 1-2

Abraham 3:22-28

Through this plan, we would be able to become like Him and dwell in His presence forever.



# Mhat is the Plan of Salvation?

The fulness of the gospel of Jesus Christ, designed to bring about man's immortality and eternal life



# What is included in this plan?

The Creation Alma 22:12-14

The Fall 2 Nephi 2:25-28

Doctrinal Mastery

The Atonement 2 Nephi 9:6-7

God-given laws, ordinances, and doctrines. 2 Nephi 11:5

This plan makes it possible for all people to be exalted and live forever with God.

Alma 24:14

# Other Names for this plan

The merciful plan of the great Creator 2 Nephi 9:6

The great and eternal plan of deliverance 2 Nephi 11:5 from death

The plan of redemption Alma 12:25

The plan of salvation Alma 24:14

The great plan of happiness Alma 42:8

The plan of mercy Alma 42:15

Heavenly Father's plan is designed to bring His children eternal salvation and happiness.



#### Mosiah 3:17

Jesus Christ is the central figure in the plan of salvation, and His Atonement is what makes the plan work for all God's children.



"The fundamental principles of our religion are the testimony of the Apostles and Prophets, concerning Jesus Christ, that He died, was buried, and rose again the third day, and ascended into heaven; and all other things which pertain to our religion are only appendages to it"

Joseph Smith

# Salvation - Saving Us

We need to be saved from:

2 Nephi 9:6-10 Physical death, the fall, and

transgression

3 Nephi 9:21-22 Worldly sin

What would happen if there were no Atonement? 2 Nephi 9:7,9

Our bodies would die and never rise again, and our spirits would become subject to the devil.



2 Nephi 2:25-28

Freedom



Doctrinal Mastery

2 Nephi 31:17-20

Repentance, Baptism, Remission of Sin, Receiving Holy Ghost

Alma 34:15-16

Mercy, justice, safety

How do our actions influence our ability to receive the blessings of the Atonement?

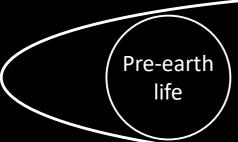
As we choose to live the gospel of Jesus Christ and follow God's plan, we prepare to receive eternal life through the Savior's Atonement.

### Rewards

#### 2 Nephi 2:25

Doctrinal Mastery "Adam fell that men might be; and men are, that they might have joy."





#### The Presence of God

In our pre-earth life, we lived as spirits in the presence of our Heavenly Father.



Heavenly Father had a perfected body and character...we did not.

Pre-earth life

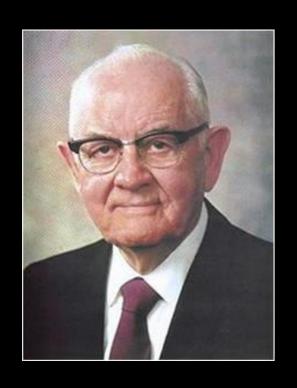
#### The Presence of God



Why did we need to leave God's presence in order to become more like Him?

To gain a body; to learn and grow by using our agency

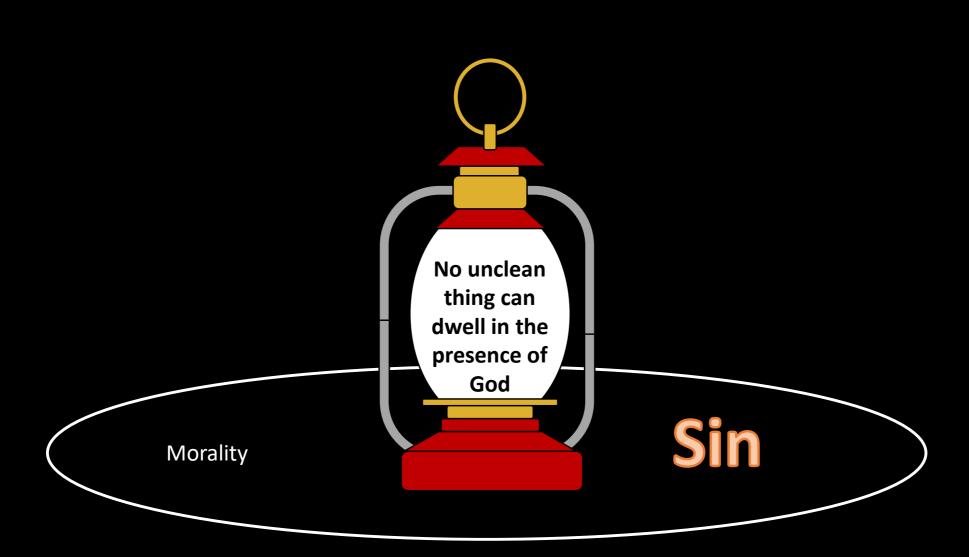
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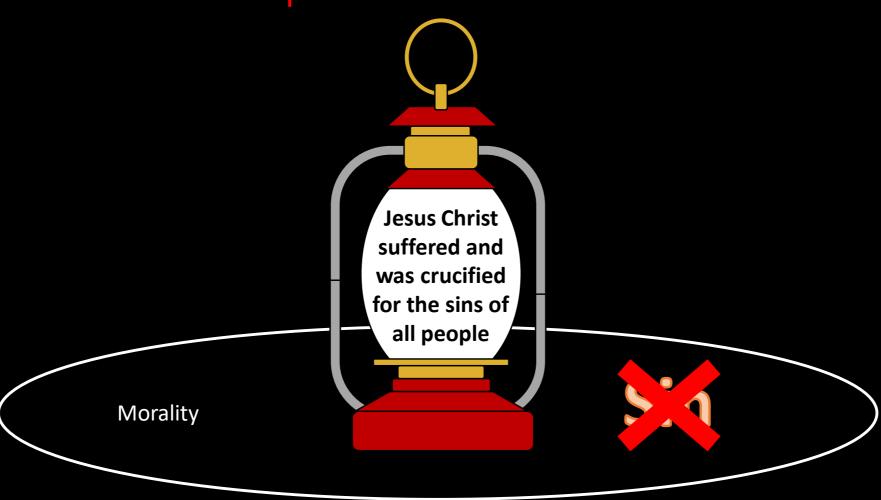
"God has given us a plan. He has sent us all to earth to obtain bodies and to gain experience and growth."



### Obstacles



# Overcoming Sin What makes it possible for us to overcome sin?



Pre-earth life

#### The Presence of God





What must we do to come unto Jesus

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Christ and receive the blessings of His atoning sacrifice?

Sin





#### The Presence of God

What happens to our spirits and bodies after we die?







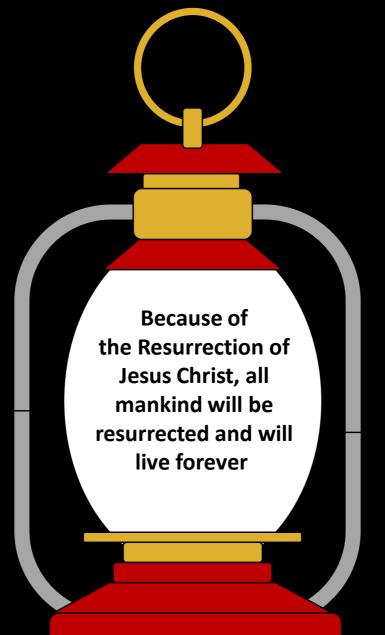
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Physical Death



We cannot be like Heavenly Father without a body of flesh and bones.



For man is spirit. The elements are eternal, and spirit and element, inseparably connected, receive a fulness of joy;

And when separated, man cannot receive a fulness of joy. D&C 93:33-34

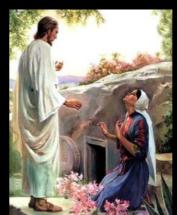
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# The End of Het 3

#### "We are in the second act of a three act play:

If you expect to find only ease and peace and bliss during act 2, you surely will be frustrated. You will understand little of what is going on and why things are permitted to be as they are.

Remember this! The line "And they all lived happily ever after" is never written into the second act. That line belongs in the third act. When the mysteries are solved and everything is put right...

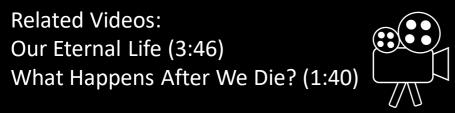
Do not suppose that God willfully causes that which, for his own purposes he permits. When you know the plan and purpose of it all, even these things will manifest a loving Father in Heaven.

--Pres. Boyd K. Packer



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