

# Book of Mormon Search Questions Handout

Alma 34-63

# Alma 34 AMULEK TESTIFIES OF CHRIST

- 1. What did Amulek say was the real question in the minds?
- 2. In addition to the three prophets, what testimony does Amulek give?
- 3. What kind of atonement did Amulek say was expedient to be made?
- 4. What example does Amulek use to show the need of an infinite atonement?
- 5. What was the great and last sacrifice of the law of Moses?
- 6. What was the intent of this last sacrifice?
- 7. Through the law of sacrifice what can be satisfied?
- 8. To whom is the whole law of the demands of justice exposed?
- 9. How does Amulek say a person can get the mercy of Christ?
- 10. When one does not cry out to the Lord, what should he do?
- 11. What does Alma say will make one's prayer vain?
- 12. What is this life, according to Amulek
- 13. What will happen if we do not improve our time while in this life?
- 14. What spirit will have power to possess our body in the eternal world?
- 15. What tow spirits are the alternatives?
- 16. Where does the spirit of the Lord not dwell?
- 17. How does Amulek suggest we work out our salvation?
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
- 18. What was Alma's final admontion?

# Alma 35 THE ZORAMITE BELIEVERS COME TO THE LAND OF JERSHON

- 1. Why were the more part of the Zoramites angry with the word?
- 2. What happened to those who were in favor of the words spoken of by Alma and his brethren?
- 3. Who began making preparations for war against the people of Ammon and the Nephites?
- 4. What is said about Alma, Ammon, and their brethren and the two sons of Alma?
- 5. Why did Alma gather his sons together?

# Alma 36 ALMA RECOUNTS HIS REBIRTH TO HELAMAN

- 1. What does Alma swear to Helaman?
- 2. Who was able to deliver "our Fathers" from bondage?
- What two promises does Alma give to those who ut their trust in God?
  a.

b.

- 1. What experience enabled Alma to know of spiritual things?
- 2. What statement of the angel shows the principle of agency?
- 3. What kind of torment did Alma suffer? (Compare D&C 19:4-12)
- 4. What does Alma equate with murder?
- 5. As Alma cried for mercy, what could he no more remember?
- 6. With what was Alma filled? To what extent?
- 7. What did Alma think he saw as did Lehi?
- 8. What had Alma done since he was born of God?
- 9. With what was Alma filled?
- 10. What did Alma say he knew?
- 11. What does Alma say that Helaman ought to know?

# Alma 37 ALMA INSTRUCTS HELAMAN REGARDING THE RECORDS

- 1. What does Alma command Helaman?
- 2. What had been prophesied about the plates of brass?
- 3. How are great things brought to pass?
- 4. What had the plates of brass already accomplished?
- 5. What does Alma tell Helaman by the spirit of prophecy?
- 6. What was Helaman to keep? Why?
- 7. For whom was the stone (interpreters) prepared? See D&C 78:9 Why?
- 8. What was Helaman to retain? Why?
- 9. What was Helaman to teach this people?
- 10. What was Helaman to learn in his youth?
- 11. What direction was Helaman given concerning God?
- 12. What is the name of the ball or director? It's interpretation?
- 13. How did the director work?
- 14. Of what shadow or type was the ball or director?
- 15. Why was Helaman admonished to not be slothful?

# Alma 38 ALMA INSTRUCTS SHIBLON

- 1. Why was Shiblon encouraged to continue to keep the commandments?
- 2. What two things which Alma told Helaman was repeated to Shiblon?

a.

b.

- 3. What was the wisdom which Alma wished Shiblon to learn?
- 4. What guidelines for teaching does Alma give Shiblon?
- 5. Like whom was Shiblon warned against praying?

# Alma 39 THE THREE MOST SERIOUS SINS

- 1. Whose example had Corianton not followed?
- What did Alma have against Corianton?
  a.
  b.
- 3. What did Alma say was no excuse for Corianton?
- 4. What two things did Alma say was worse than chasing after harlots?a.b.
- 5. What is an unpardonable sin?
- 6. For what sin is forgiveness not easy to obtain? (Compare D&C 42:18, 79)
- 7. Why does Alma dwell upon Corianton's crime or sin?
- 8. What does Alma say must be done before Corianton can inherit the kingdom of God?
- 9. With whom does Alma say Corianton should counsel?
- 10. Why would the Zoramites not believe Alma's words? What was the result?
- 11. Why did Alma command Corianton to refrain from his inequities?
- 12. How was Corianton instructed to turn to the Lord?
- 13. What was Corianton to do in regards to the Zoramites?
- 14. Why did Alma tell Corianton to not seek after riches and vain things of the world?
- 15. What was the ministry to which Corianton was called?
- 16. Why was the coming of Christ known so long before He came?

# Alma 40 CORIANTON'S QUESTION ABOUT THE RESURRECTION

- 1. Alma says there was to be no resurrection until when?
- 2. What did Alma say was sufficient to know concerning the time of the resurrection?
- 3. Why does Alma say that it matterth not whether there is more than one time appointed for men to rise?
- 4. What was the thing which Alma did know?
- 5. When will people know that God knoweth all the times which are appointed unto man?
- 6. Who had told Alma about the state of the soul between death and the resurrection?
- 7. Where are the spirits of all men taken when they depart from the mortal body?
- 8. Where are the spirits of the righteous received?
- 9. What will happen to the spirits of the wicked? Why?
- 10. How long do the wicked and the righteous remain in the above states?
- 11. What is the meaning of the first resurrection?
- 12. What does Alma say about the wicked, as well as the righteous, being resurrected at once?
- 13. What opinion does Alma give?
- 14. What restoration does the resurrection and appearance before the judgment bar of God bring about?
- 15. What shall be restored at the time of the resurrection?
- 16. How does Alma define the awful death which comes upon the wicked?

#### Alma 41 THE MEANING OF RESTORATION

- 1. With what is the plan of restoration requisite?
- 2. What is requisite and just according to the power and resurrection of Christ?
- 3. What is requisite and just about man being judged by their works?
- 4. How are men their own judges?
- 5. What does Alma wan Corianton against risking?
- 6. What does Alma say Corianton should not suppose? Why?
- 7. What does Alma equate with a state of nature?
- 8. What does Alma say about all men in a state of nature or carnal state?
- 9. What is the meaning of the word restoration?
- 10. Why should Corianton be merciful to his brethren, deal justly, etc?
- 11. What does the word restoration more fully do?

#### Alma 42 THE JUSTICE OF GOD AND THE SINNER

- 1. What does Alma say he will explain to Coriantor?
- 2. Why did the Lord God place Cherubim and a flaming sword at the east end of the garden of Eden?
- 3. What was granted unto man? Why?
- 4. What did man become as they were cut off from the tree of life?
- 5. How were our first parents cut off?
- 6. What did our first parents become?
- 7. What became expedient since all mankind were cut off?
- 8. Why did this probationary state become a preparatory state?
- 9. According to justice, what only could bring about the plan of redemption?
- 10. What would happen if the work of justice was destroyed?
- 11. As all mankind were fallen, whose grasp were they in?
- 12. How could the plan of mercy be brought about?
- 13. Why was the atonement made?
- 14. What was required for repentance to come unto man?
- 15. What would have been the result if there was no law given?
- 16. What is the result if mercy does not claim the creature?
- 17. Who inflicts the punishment? If not, what would be the result?
- 18. What does justice do? Mercy do?
- 19. What does Alma tell Coriantor to let trouble him?
- 20. What is Coriantor called to do?

#### Alma 43 THE LAW OF WAR

- 1. How did Alma and his sons preach the word and the truth?
- 2. Who did Zarahemnah appoint as chief captains of the Lamanites? Way?
- 3. What were the designs of Zarahemnah?

The Nephites?

- 3. What two groups did the Nephites know the Lamanites would destroy?
- 4. What did the people of Ammon give unto the Nephites?
- 5. What peoples constituted the Lamanites at this time? How large were they?
- 6. Who was the chief captain of the Nephites? How old was he?
- 7. How did Moroni know the travels and intents of the Lamainte army?a.b.
- 9. How did Moroni justify his actions of stratagem?
- 10. Who inspired the Lamanites to fight with exceeding great strength and courage?
- 11. What better cause inspired the Nephites?
- 12. What words of the Lord were the Nephites following?
- 13. Whom did the Nephites call upon for freedom?
- 14. Who inspired them to do it?

# Alma 44 MORONI DEFEATS ZARAHEMNAH

- 1. Of what did Moroni bear testimony to Zarahemnah concerning?
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
- 2. Although Zarahemnah delivered up his arms, unto what did he attribute Moroni's victory?
- 3. Why did Moroni return the weapons of war?
- 4. By whom were the Lamanites soldier stirred up to anger?
- 5. Why did Moroni cease the work of death among the Lamanites?

# Alma 45 ALMA'S PROPHECY AND DEPARTURE

- 1. What three questions does Alma ask Helaman?
  - a.
  - b.
  - с.
- 2. When was the prophecy made by Alma to Helaman to be made known?
- 3. What was the prophecy of Alma?
- 4. Who did Alma say would be numbered among the Lamanites? Who would not?
- 5. What did Alma prophecy about this land (America)? Why?
- 6. What did Alma do before he departed out of the land?
- 7. What saying went abroad in the church?
- 8. Why did Helaman go forth among the people to declare the work unto thee?

# Alma 46 MORONI'S TITLE OF LIBERTY

- 1. How did Amalickiah obtain support to gather against their brethren?
- What two things does Mormon want us to learn from the previous account?
  a.
  b.
- 3. What was the 'title of liberty'?
- 4. What were all the true believers of Christ called? Why?
- 5. What part of the land did Moroni name "A chosen land, and a land of liberty?
- 6. Why did the people rend their garments?
- 7. Whom did Moroni declare these people were?
- 8. What words of Jacob did Moroni ask his people to remember?
- 9. How did Moroni apply Jacob's words?
- 10. What happened to those followers of Amalickiah who were captured?
- 11. Why did some die at this time? How were some healed?

#### Alma 47 THE DECEIT OF AMLICKIAH

- 1. To where did Amalickiah flee and what did he do?
- 2. How did Amalickiah become leader of the Lamanite army?
- 3. How did the king of the Lamanites meet his death?
- 4. Who was blamed for the king's death? By whom?
- 5. Who did Amalickiah marry?
- 6. How did the dissenters from the Nephites become?
- 7. Who did they entirely forget?

# Alma 48 THE CHARACTER OF GENERAL MORONI

- 1. After Amalickiah had obtained the kingdom, what did he appoint men to do?
- 2. While Amalickiah was obtaining power by fraud, what was Moroni doing?
- 3. List the characteristic of Moroni as given by Mormon
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
- 4. What had the Nephites been taught concerning war?
- 5. What was the Nephites and Mormon's faith?
  - a.
  - b.
- 6. If all men had been and were and ever would be like Moroni, what would be the result?
- 7. With whom was Moroni compared?
- 8. Why were Nephites sorry to take up arms against the Lamanites?

#### Alma 49 THE LAMANITES ARE DEFEATED

- 1. Why did the Lamanites leave Ammonihah to attack the city of Noah?
- 2. What was Amalickiah's reaction to the Lamanite defeat?
- 3. What was the Nephite reaction to their victory?
- 4. Why was there continual peace in the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> year?

#### Alma 50 THE CAUSE OF WAR

- 1. What did Moroni do in the commencement of the 20<sup>th</sup> year?
- 2. What words of the Lord does Mormon remind us are again verified?
- 3. What was the cause of war among the Nephites?
- 4. How happy were the people at this time in the days of General Moroni?
- 5. How did General Moroni learn of the contention in the land of Morianton?
- 6. What had inspired the people of Morianton to their stubborness?
- 7. What did the oath and sacred ordinance of Nephihah include?
  - a.
  - b.
  - с.
  - d.
  - e.

#### Alma 51 THE KINGMEN AND THE FREEMEN

- 1. What did a part of the people desire?
- 2. What was the desire of the kingmen?
- 3. What was the desire of the freemen?
- 4. Who were in support of the kings?
- 5. What did the kingmen refuse to do when they heard the Lamanites were coming to battle?
- 6. What did General Moroni propose to do to counter the kingmen dissenters?
- 7. Why were the leaders of the kingmen placed in prison? What did others do?
- 8. How did Teancum celebrate New Year's Eve?

# Alma 52 RETAKING THE CITY OF MULEK

- 1. Who replace Almalickiah as king?
- 2. For what did General Moroni intend to use the Lamanite prisoners?
- 3. For how long were Moroni's men to fall upon the Lamanites?
- 4. How many Lamanites chose to give up their weapons and surrender?

#### Alma 53 THE SONS OF THE PEOPLE OF AMMON

- 1. What did Moroni cause the Lamanite prisoners to do?
- 2. Why were the Lamanites able to gain some ground on the west sea south?
- 3. Why did the people of Ammon not take up arms to defend their country?
- 4. Why did the 2,000 sons of the people of Ammon take up arms?
- 5. How were the 2,000 sons of the people of Ammon described?
- 6. What did these sons call themselves?
- 7. Who did they want for their leader?

#### Alma 54 THE OFFER TO EXCHANGE PRISONERS

- 1. What did General Moroni tell Ammoron concerning?
- 2. What conditions did Moroni give to Ammoron for the exchange of prisoners?
- 3. What did Moroni threaten if they would not exchange prisoners? Why?
- 4. What was Ammoron reply to Moroni? His excuses?

## Alma 55 LAMANITES TAKE WINE

- 1. Why was General Moroni angry over Ammoron's epistle?
- 2. How was General Moroni able to take the city of Gid without bloodshed?
- 3. How were the Nephites able to keep from being poisoned or drunken?

#### Alma 56 THE FIRST BATTLE OF THE SONS OF HELAMAN

- 1. What is "that quarter of the land" from where Helaman wrote? (See Alma 53:22)
- 2. Why would Helaman not allow the people of Ammon to break their covenant?
- 3. What does Helaman say concerning those who were slain?
- 4. Who di the Lamanites retain as prisoners? What did they do with others?
- 5. Why did Helaman say his army had been favored of the Lord?
- 6. What did the sons of Helaman tell Helaman in response to going to battle?
- 7. From whose and what teachings had the sons obtained their courage?
- 8. How did the courage and faith of the sons of Helaman pay off?

# Alma 57 THE FAITH OF THE SONS OF HELAMAN

- 1. How did they capture the city of Cumeni?
- 2. Why did they take their prisoners to Zarahemla?
- 3. What kind of soldiers were the sons of Helaman?
- 4. To what was the fact that none of the sons were killed ascribed?
- 5. In what did Helaman trust for those who were slain?

# Alma 58 MANTI CAPTURED WITHOUT SHEDDING OF BLOOD

- 1. How was Helaman's army strengthened in spite of lack of food?
- 2. To whom did Helaman give credit and trust in their victories and battles?
- 3. Now of Helaman's sons were killed but many were wounded. Nevertheless, what did they do?
- 4. In what was the sons of Helaman's faith strong?

#### Alma 59 MORONI'S FIRST EPISTLE TO PAHORAH

- 1. What did General Moroni know was easier
- 2. Why did Moroni and his chief captains begin to doubt

#### Alma 60 MARONI'S SCATHING EPISTLE TO PAHORAN

- 1. Who does General Moroni say was responsible for the suffering and slain of the Nephites?
- 2. Why does the Lord allow the righteous to be slain?
- 3. Why had the Lamanites (their enemies) gained power over the Nephites?
- 4. What does General Moroni say the Lord expects of them?
- 5. What does God say concerning cleansing? (Compare D&C 112:25-56)
- 6. What did General Moroni threaten to do if help was not soon forthcoming?
- 7. Whom did General Moroni fear?
- 8. What does the Lord say concerning governors who are in sin and iniquity?
- 9. What did General Moroni seek?

# Alma 61 PAHORAN'S PATRIOTIC REPLY

- 1. For what did Pahoran seek?
- 2. How does Pahoran say evil should be resisted?
- 3. What instructions did Pahoran tell Moroni to give to Lehi and Teancum?

# Alma 62 PEACE ESTABLISHED ON BOTH FRONTS

- 1. Following their trial, why were some of the men of Pachus put to death?
- 2. How did Teancum meet his death? What tribute is paid Teancum?
- 3. How many years had they been at war: (see 43:3)
- 4. To what does Mormon attribute the sparing of the Nephites?
- Name two contrasting results of the exceeding great length of war?
  a.
  b.
- 6. What were the results of the preaching of Helaman and his brethren?

# Alma 63 HAGOTH, THE SHIP BUILDER

- 1. Who took over the sacred things upon the death of Helaman?
- 2. What other prominent person died at this time?
- 3. Who built ships at this time and what happened to them?
- 4. Why did Shiblom give the records to Helaman, the son of Helaman?