

SAMUEL THE LAMANITE TELLS ABOUT JESUS CHRIST

Chapter 40



The Lamanites obeyed God's commandments. They became more righteous than the Nephites.

Helaman 13:1



Samuel, a Lamanite prophet, went to Zarahemla to preach to the wicked Nephites. He told them to repent.

Helaman 13:2



The Nephites threw Samuel out of the city, and he started going back to his own land.

Helaman 13:2



But the Lord told Samuel to return to Zarahemla and tell the people the things that the Lord would put into his heart.

Helaman 13:3



The Nephites would not let Samuel back into the city, so he climbed to the top of the city wall and preached from there.

Helaman 13:4



He prophesied that the Nephites would be destroyed in 400 years unless the people repented and had faith in Jesus Christ. *Helaman 13:5–6*



Samuel told the Nephites that Jesus Christ would be born in five years and that he would save all those who believed in him. *Helaman 14:2*



Samuel told them about the signs of Jesus' birth. A new star would appear, and the night before Jesus would be born it would not get dark. *Helaman 14:3–5*



Then Samuel told them the signs of Jesus' death. There would be three days of total darkness—the sun, moon, and stars would not shine. *Helaman 14:20*



There would also be thunder and lightning and earthquakes. Mountains would crumble, and many cities would be destroyed. *Helaman 14:21–24*



Some Nephites believed Samuel and repented of their sins. They went to find Nephi, a righteous Nephite who could baptize them. *Helaman 16:1*



The rest of the Nephites did not believe Samuel. They threw rocks and shot arrows at him. But the Lord protected him, and none of the rocks or arrows hit him.

Helaman 16:2



When the people saw he could not be hit, many more believed him and went to Nephi to be baptized.

Helaman 16:3



Nephi also taught the people about Jesus. He wanted them to believe in Jesus, repent, and be baptized.

Helaman 16:4-5



Most Nephites, however, did not believe Samuel. They tried to capture him.

Helaman 16:6



Samuel jumped down from the wall and ran to his own country.

Helaman 16:7



Samuel began teaching the Lamanites. He was never heard of again among the Nephites.

Helaman 16:7-8