

Episode 4: Abinadi and King Noah

Mosiah 11–17

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Principle: Truth doesn't change based on who is listening. Standing for it can change one heart, and one heart can change a people.

Read Mosiah 13:5; Mosiah 13:9; Mosiah 17:2–4; Mosiah 17:9–10; Mosiah 17:20

Mosiah 13:5 ⁵Now it came to pass after Abinadi had spoken these words that the people of king Noah durst not lay their hands on him, for the Spirit of the Lord was upon him; and his face shone with exceeding luster, even as Moses' did while in the mount of Sinai, while speaking with the Lord.

Mosiah 13:9 ⁹But I finish my message; and then it matters not whither I go, if it so be that I am saved.

Mosiah 17:2–4 ²But there was one among them whose name was Alma, he also being a descendant of Nephi. And he was a young man, and he believed the words which Abinadi had spoken, for he knew concerning the iniquity which Abinadi had testified against them; therefore he began to plead with the king that he would not be angry with Abinadi, but suffer that he might depart in peace. ³But the king was more wroth, and caused that Alma should be cast out from among them, and sent his servants after him that they might slay him. ⁴But he fled from before them and hid himself that they found him not. And he being concealed for many days did write all the words which Abinadi had spoken.

Mosiah 17:9–10 ⁹Now Abinadi said unto him: I say unto you, I will not recall the words which I have spoken unto you concerning this people, for they are true; and that ye may know of their surety I have suffered myself that I have fallen into your hands. ¹⁰Yea, and I will suffer even until death, and I will not recall my words, and they shall stand as a testimony against you. And if ye slay me ye will shed innocent blood, and this shall also stand as a testimony against you at the last day.

Mosiah 17:20 ²⁰And now, when Abinadi had said these words, he fell, having suffered death by fire; yea, having been put to death because he would not deny the commandments of God, having sealed the truth of his words by his death.

Discuss & reflect

1. Abinadi saw only one convert, Alma, but Alma went on to baptize many and lead the Church. What does that say about how we measure success?
2. Alma was a young man in the king's court when he spoke up (17:2). What did it cost him? What might standing for truth cost you among friends?
3. "...it matters not whither I go, if it so be that I am saved" (13:9). Where did Abinadi's peace come from?
4. King Noah "was about to release him" (17:11) but gave in when the priests objected (17:12). Where do you feel that kind of pressure?

Cross-reference

Romans 1:16 "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

Mosiah 18:9 "stand as witnesses of God at all times and in all things, and in all places that ye may be in"

✍ Mark it

Mark Mosiah 17:2. In the margin write: "One person can make a difference."

What I learned

One thing I'll do this week:

Sketch notes

 doodle, map, or diagram

Family discussion

Abinadi's words reached later generations because Alma wrote them down. Whose testimony has shaped our family?

✂ cut out · keep in your scriptures as a bookmark

MEMORY VERSE

"I finish my message; and then it matters not whither I go, if it so be that I am saved."

Mosiah 13:9