

Episode 5: The Conversion of Alma the Younger

Mosiah 27

Name: _____

Principle: No one is beyond the reach of the Savior. Real conversion shows in what we do next.

Read Mosiah 27:8; Mosiah 27:14; Mosiah 27:24–26; Mosiah 27:35

Mosiah 27:8 ⁸ Now the sons of Mosiah were numbered among the unbelievers; and also one of the sons of Alma was numbered among them, he being called Alma, after his father; nevertheless, he became a very wicked and an idolatrous man. And he was a man of many words, and did speak much flattery to the people; therefore he led many of the people to do after the manner of his iniquities.

Mosiah 27:14 ¹⁴ And again, the angel said: Behold, the Lord hath heard the prayers of his people, and also the prayers of his servant, Alma, who is thy father; for he has prayed with much faith concerning thee that thou mightest be brought to the knowledge of the truth; therefore, for this purpose have I come to convince thee of the power and authority of God, that the prayers of his servants might be answered according to their faith.

Mosiah 27:24–26 ²⁴ For, said he, I have repented of my sins, and have been redeemed of the Lord; behold I am born of the Spirit. ²⁵ And the Lord said unto me: Marvel not that all mankind, yea, men and women, all nations, kindreds, tongues and people, must be born again; yea, born of God, changed from their carnal and fallen state, to a state of righteousness, being redeemed of God, becoming his sons and daughters; ²⁶ And thus they become new creatures; and unless they do this, they can in nowise inherit the kingdom of God.

Mosiah 27:35 ³⁵ And they traveled throughout all the land of Zarahemla, and among all the people who were under the reign of king Mosiah, zealously striving to repair all the injuries which they had done to the church, confessing all their sins, and publishing all the things which they had seen, and explaining the prophecies and the scriptures to all who desired to hear them.

Discuss & reflect

1. Alma's father kept praying "with much faith" for his son (27:14). Who could you pray for by name, consistently?
2. Being "born again" and becoming "new creatures" (27:25–26): is conversion a single event or a process? What does each look like?
3. Afterward, Alma and the sons of Mosiah worked "to repair all the injuries" they had done (27:35). Why is repairing part of repentance?
4. Most of us won't see an angel. What quieter ways does the Lord use to get our attention?

Cross-reference

Alma 36:20 "And oh, what joy, and what marvelous light I did behold; yea, my soul was filled with joy as exceeding as was my pain!"

Isaiah 1:18 "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

✍ Mark it

Mark Mosiah 27:24. Next to it, write a date when you felt forgiven or changed.

Sketch notes

doodle, map, or diagram

Family discussion

Who in our family or circle could we pray for by name this week, the way Alma's father did?

What I learned

One thing I'll do this week:

✂ cut out · keep in your scriptures as a bookmark

MEMORY VERSE

"I have repented of my sins, and have been redeemed of the Lord; behold I am born of the Spirit."

Mosiah 27:24