

# A Promise of Preservation

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[13] And now behold, this was the desire which I desired of him -- that if it should so be, that my people, the Nephites, should fall into transgression, and by any means be destroyed, and the Lamanites should not be destroyed, that the Lord God would **preserve a record of my people**, the Nephites; even if it so be by the power of his holy arm, **that it might be brought forth at some future day unto the Lamanites, that, perhaps, they might be brought unto salvation** --

[15] Wherefore, I knowing that the Lord God was able to **preserve our records**, I cried unto him continually, for he had said unto me: Whatsoever thing ye shall ask in faith, believing that ye shall receive in the name of Christ, ye shall receive it.

[16] And I had faith, and I did cry unto God that he would **preserve the records**; and he covenanted with me that **He would bring them forth** unto the Lamanites in his own due time.

[17] And I, Enos, knew it would be according to the covenant which He had made; wherefore my soul did rest.

[18] And the Lord said unto me: Thy fathers have also required of me this thing; and it shall be done unto them according to their faith; for their faith was like unto thine.

[25] And it came to pass that I began to be old, and an hundred and seventy and nine years had passed away [about 421 BC] from the time that our father Lehi left Jerusalem.

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