

Cults: Mormonism (The Book of Mormon)

Grammatical Errors Made & Changed in the Book of Mormon

According to Harry L. Ropp's book, *Are the Mormon Papers Reliable?*, there have been over 3,000 changes made to the Book of Mormon. Among these changes are grammatical errors made in the first edition and changed in later editions. Too many people have fallen prey to this man-made false religion that touts its books as divinely inspired. Only the Bible (not the Book of Mormon or any other book or writing) is completely trustworthy and reliable.

Ropp's excellent book says the following: "Since God made the translation, we would expect the 1830 edition of the Book of Mormon to be exactly as God wanted it to be. It should therefore be the same in the current edition. But there have been hundreds of changes. As early as 1898, Lamoni Call had counted two thousand alterations in what Joseph Smith called 'the most correct of any book on the earth.' Like many who are not well-versed in grammar, Joseph Smith had trouble with the verb *to be*."

Here are six errors from the first edition of the Book of Mormon which have been corrected in later editions:

1. Adam and Eve, which was our first parents. (15)
2. ...and loosed the bands which was upon my wrists. (49)
3. ...but it were in vain. (142)
4. ...it were easy to guard them. (375)
5. ...the words which is expedient. (67)
6. ...here is our weapons of war. (346)

Joseph Smith, the founder and prophet of Mormonism, claimed to have found some golden plates. He translated the Book of Mormon from the golden plates he claimed to have found.

This process of translating the plates involved Joseph Smith looking into a hat with a seer stone inside of it. He would tell the scribe what he saw and the word in question would not change until the scribe correctly wrote that particular word down.

Smith also claims there is an angel named Moroni that is part of this fictional narrative. Galatians 1:8 is very direct and clear. No one should fall for anything that contradicts the plain message of the apostles. (Also, on a side note, an acquaintance of mine once mentioned this concerning Moroni the angel, that: he didn't know their were any Italian angels.)

But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. (Gal. 1:8)

Mr. Ropp goes on to list another error made during this supposedly fool-proof process of translating the Book of Mormon. Smith would insert the letter *a* in the most inopportune manner:

1. As I was a journeying. (249).
2. And as I was a going thither. (249)
3. Moroni was a comng against them. 403).
4. ...he found Muloki a preaching. (284)
5. ...the Lamanites a marching. (529)

Thank God for the truth. Thank God for the Bible. This is the only book whose contents “are able to make thee wise unto salvation...”
2 Timothy 3:15.

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