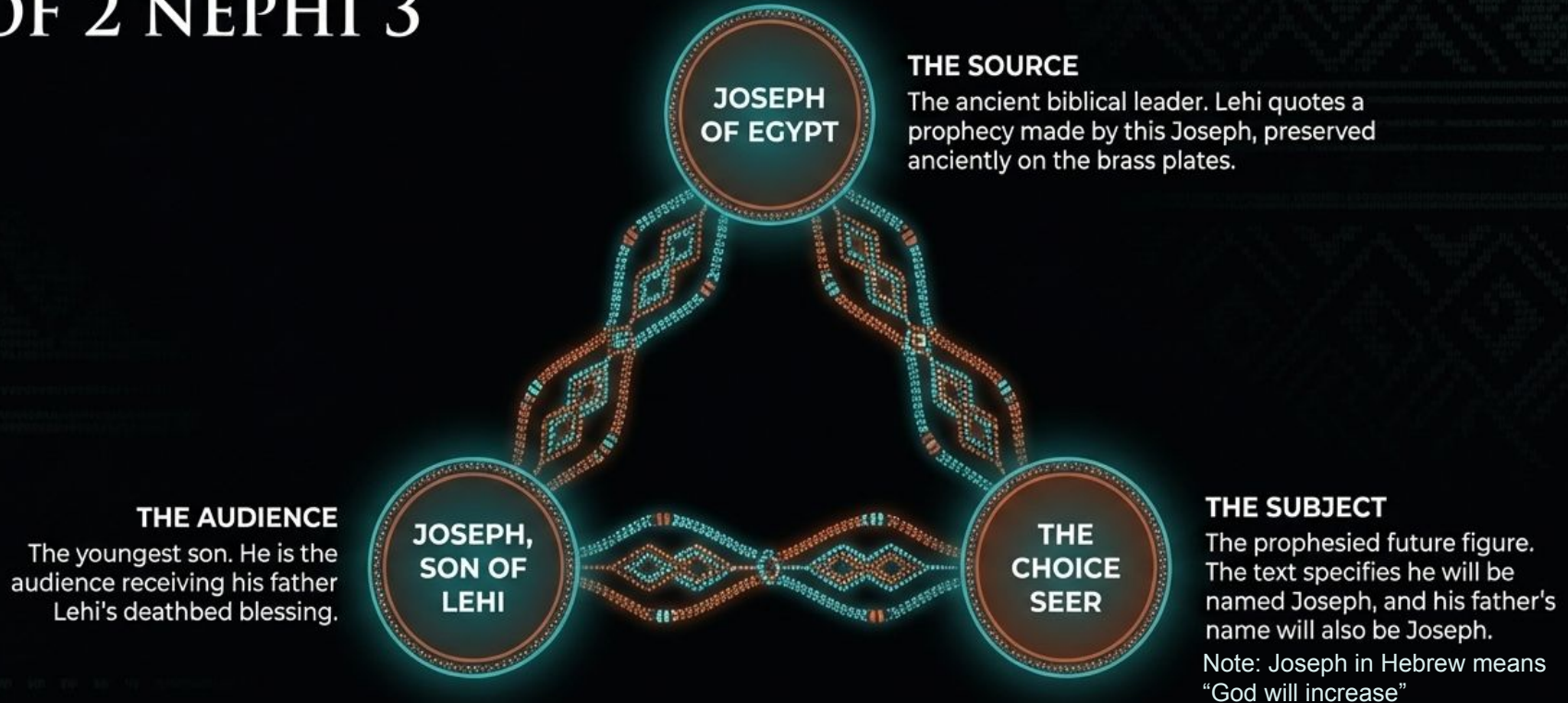


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THE CHOICE SEER

Unlocking 2 Nephi 3 and the Future
Indigenous Prophet of the Restoration

DISAMBIGUATING THE THREE JOSEPHS OF 2 NEPHI 3



A Covenant Unbroken, A Story Incomplete

Ancient Covenants



God establishes His eternal promises with the House of Israel from the Old Testament forward.

The Book of Mormon



A record preserved to remind the remnant of Israel of their ancestry and future redemption.

The Deliverer



A latter-day Moses-type figure prophesied in 2 Nephi 3 to complete the physical and spiritual gathering.

Properly understanding this prophetic plan reshapes the Restoration—shifting focus toward the indigenous peoples of the Americas and a kingdom yet to be built.

The *Lord's Work* Via the Choice Seer



Bring Forth
the Word

He will be raised up to bring scripture specifically to the seed of Joseph (indigenous peoples of the Americas).



Convince
of the Truth

His primary power is in opening hearts. He will bring a people to belief in scriptures that have already gone forth among them.



Restore the
House of Israel

Acting as a Moses-like deliverer, he will be instrumental in the gathering to do a great and marvelous work among the remnant of Jacob.



The Primary Suspect: Joseph Smith Jr.



His name shall be called
after me; and it shall be
after the name of his father.
(2 Nephi 3:15)

Across Restoration churches, the assumption is universal: Joseph Smith Jr. is the Choice Seer.

The given name matches perfectly.
The father's name matches perfectly.

But do the other, more stringent prophetic criteria align with his life and lineage?
Let us examine the textual forensics.

Specific Prophetic Details Matter



The text requires the Seer's **tongue shall not be loosed**, necessitating a spokesman like Aaron to Moses. Joseph Smith, conversely, was a gifted speaker.

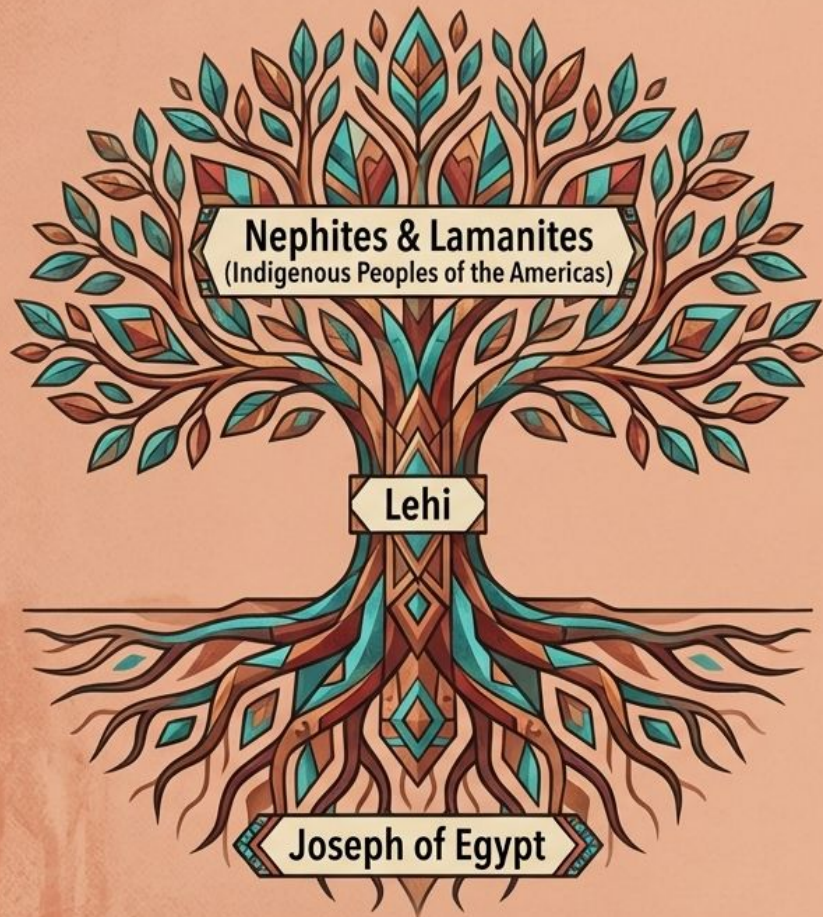
Furthermore, the prophecy promises the Seer's **enemies shall be confounded**. Tragically, Joseph's enemies prevailed at Carthage in 1844.

David Whitmer, one of the original eyewitnesses to the golden plates, recognized these discrepancies in his 1887 *Address to All Believers in Christ*.

**“He never convinced
a single Lamanite
that I ever heard of.”**

— David Whitmer, 1887

Discrepancy The Fruit of the Loins



The Prophecy

The Choice Seer must be born directly from this specific biological line, raised out of the fruit of the loins of the indigenous remnant.

The Historical Reality

Joseph Smith Jr. was of European descent. The Title Page explicitly prophesies the Book of Mormon would come forth by the way of the Gentile. The text itself **disqualifies** him from this biological root system.

The Word Must Precede the Work

Phase 1



The translation of the record.
The scriptures—both the Bible and
the Book of Mormon—must
already exist in the world.

Phase 2



The spiritual awakening.
The Choice Seer uses the existing
book to ignite profound conviction
among his people.

Verse 11 states the Choice Seer will convince his people of God's word which shall have already gone forth among them. The Choice Seer's primary power is not in initial translation, but in opening hearts.

The Diagnostic Matrix: Why Joseph Smith is Not the Choice Seer

Prophetic Criteria (2 Nephi 3)	Joseph Smith Jr.	The Future Choice Seer
Lineage: Raised from the seed of Joseph/Lehi.	✗ Gentile descent.	✓ Indigenous descent.
The Convincing: Convinces the Lamanites of the word.	✗ Did not accomplish this.	✓ Will convince the remnant.
Spokesman Requirement: Tongue not loosed; requires a spokesman.	✗ Highly capable orator.	✓ Will require an Aaron-like spokesman.
Fate with Enemies: Enemies shall be confounded.	✗ Killed at Carthage, Illinois (1844).	✓ Divinely protected.

The Choice Seer: A Future Prophet for the House of Israel

A prophecy from 2 Nephi 3 regarding a future indigenous leader to restore the House of Israel, distinct from historical figures.

Profile of the Prophesied Seer



A Descendant of Lehi

The Seer must be of indigenous “Lamanite” or “Nephite” ancestry, not a Gentile.



The Work of Convincing

His mission is to convince people of scriptures that have already gone forth.



A Moses-like Deliverer

He will be instrumental in the physical gathering and restoration of the House of Israel.

Why the Prophecy Remains Unfulfilled



Gentile Lineage vs. Seed of Joseph

Joseph Smith was of European descent, while the Seer is of Fruit of the Loins of Lehi.



Capable Speaker vs. Required Spokesman

...a spokesman like Aaron to Moses as his tongue shall not be loosed.



Enemies Prevailed vs. Enemies Confounded

The Seer's enemies will be confounded, ...whereas Joseph Smith's enemies prevailed at Carthage.

Reframing the past elevates the Book of Mormon's true purpose.

Honoring the Instrument:

Joseph Smith's work is not diminished. He was the chosen instrument to translate true scripture and, with Oliver Cowdery, restore priesthood authority.

Elevating the Scripture:

The Book of Mormon is not merely a supporting document to validate a single prophet's claims.

The True Purpose:

It is the foundational tool—the word of God that has gone forth—which the future Choice Seer will use to gather a people and build Zion.



A profound shift in spiritual posture: From Maintenance to Preparation

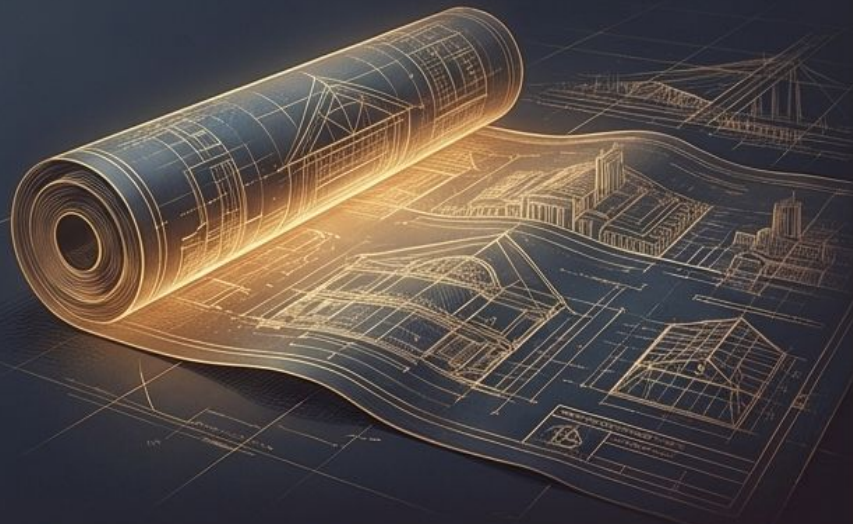
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If JS Jr = Choice Seer
(Looking Backward)



The prophesied work is essentially complete. The story has reached its climax. The Church's role is merely to maintain what was established in the 1800s.

If Choice Seer = Future
(Looking Forward)



The greatest work is still ahead. The gathering of Israel and the building of Zion remain. The Church is in the middle of the story, actively preparing the ground for an extraordinary future.

Two Seers of the Restoration: The Book of Mormon and the Records to Come

Joseph Smith:
The Gentile Seer



Gentile of European Descent

His mission was to provide the foundational scriptures that must precede the Choice Seer.

The "Word Gone Forth"

He performed the preparatory work by bringing the Book of Mormon to the world.

A Capable Speaker

Unlike the Choice Seer, Joseph Smith was an effective and loosed-tongue orator.



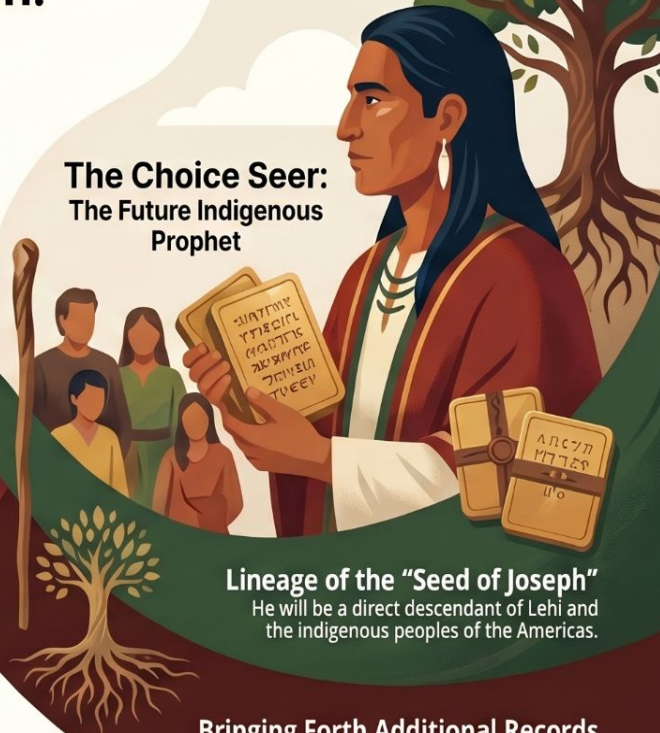
Joseph Smith

Gentile (European)	Lineage	Seed of Joseph (Indigenous)
Capable Orator	Speaking Ability	Tongue not loosed (Needs Spokesman)
Translating the Book of Mormon	Primary Work	Convincing the Seed of Joseph & bringing more records



The Choice Seer

The Choice Seer:
The Future Indigenous Prophet



Lineage of the "Seed of Joseph"

He will be a direct descendant of Lehi and the indigenous peoples of the Americas.

Bringing Forth Additional Records

He will bring God's word specifically to the descendants of Joseph.

Moses-like Deliverer

He will have a spokesman and work "mighty wonders" to gather Israel.

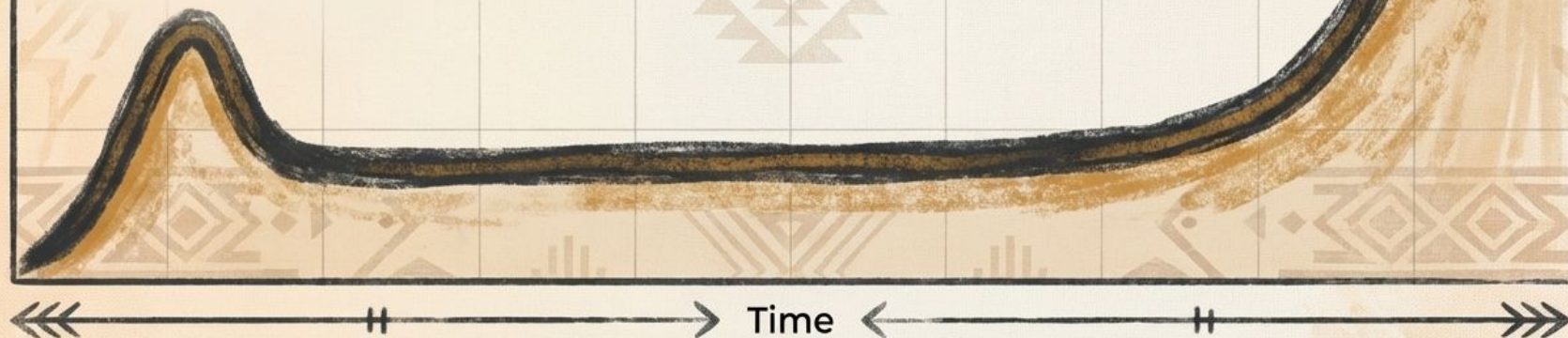
The Two-Phase Restoration Timeline

Phase 1: The Foundation

The 19th Century (The Gentile Era)
Joseph Smith brings forth the record.
Authority is established.
The book is opened.

Phase 2: The Fulfillment

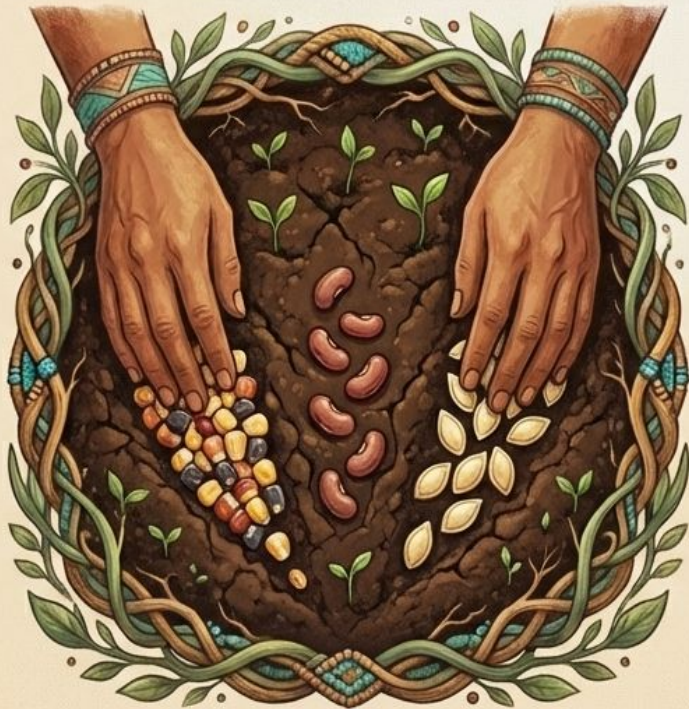
The Future (The Indigenous Era)
The Choice Seer arrives.
The Seed of Joseph is convinced.
Scattered Israel is gathered.
Zion is built.



Our Active, Present-Tense Mission

The Prerequisite

The prophecy strictly requires that the word of God must have already gone forth before the Seer arrives. The book must be in their hands first.



The Church's Role

If the Choice Seer is future, we are currently preparing the ground. Laboring among the indigenous peoples of the Americas to share the Book of Mormon is not passive waiting—it is essential, active preparation for a future harvest.

A Posture of Anticipation

The Identity: The Choice Seer is a future descendant of Lehi, not a figure from the past.

The Partnership: Joseph Smith laid the structural foundation; the future Seer will execute the gathering.

The Mission: The Church's present duty is to spread the word to prepare the way for his arrival.

The Horizon: The story of the Restoration is moving toward a grand, indigenous-led climax.





“And there shall rise up one mighty among them, who shall do much good, both in word and in deed, being an instrument in the hands of God, with exceeding faith, to work mighty wonders.”

— 2 Nephi 3:24

The Greatest Work is Still Ahead

Correctly understanding **2 Nephi 3** means recognizing that the most extraordinary prophecies of the **Book of Mormon** are not historical memories—they are future expectations.

1. The coming forth
of the sealed records
(Ether 4:4–7).

2. The convincing of
a mighty
indigenous people.

3. The building of
the New Jerusalem
(3 Nephi 21:23–24).