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day they shall know that I am he that doth speak (3 Nephi 20:38-39).

Knowing the name of God is very important, as the psalmist testified:

10 And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee:
for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee (Psalm 9:10).

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As observed above, Mormon's great sermon in Moroni 7 begins by his addressing his "beloved brethren" and declaring the authority by which he was "permitted to speak." It appears that Mormon's sermon in Moroni 7 is a commentary on the Beatitude. "And blessed [enjoying "the state of the gods"] are all the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God" (3 Nephi 12:9).

The sermon begins by acknowledging his audience as those who walk peaceably with the children of men. It then teaches them what they must now do so they can reach the conclusion: "that ye may become the sons of God; that when he shall appear we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is; that we may have this hope; that we may be purified even as he is pure" (Moroni 7:48). In his teaching, Mormon explains that faith, hope, and charity are the keys to attaining that end.