1 Nephi Chapter 6

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Chapter 6

All Things on the Plates of Nephi Are of Worth
They Persuade Men to Come to a God of Covenants
That Men Might Share in the Covenant Promises Made by God
to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob

[Comment or Preface]

1 And now [Editors Promise]
   I Nephi
do NOT give the genealogy of my fathers
   in this part of my record
   NEITHER at any time shall
   I [Nephi] give it [the genealogy of my fathers] after
to writing
   which I [Nephi] am writing for it [the genealogy of my fathers] is given
   in the record [the plates of Lehi] which [record] has been kept by my father
   Wherefore [statement #1]
   I [Nephi] do NOT write it [the genealogy of my fathers] in this work
   [the record kept by me] [the small plates of Nephi]

2 For it sufficeth me to say
   that we are a descendant of Joseph
   [changed in 1981 to “we are descendants of Joseph”]

3 And it mattereth NOT to me
   that I [Nephi] am particular to give a full account
   upon these small plates
   of ALL the things of my father
   for they [ALL the things of my father]
   can NOT be written upon these [small] plates

[Par. aa – Like beginnings “I Nephi”]
[Par. bb – Repetition of “NOT,” “NEITHER,” “ALL”]
[Par. cc – Repetition of “the genealogy of my fathers”]
[Par. dd – Circular repetition of “my father(s)”]
[Par. ee – Circular repetition of “these small plates”]
[Heb. 01 – Compound preposition “after” “upon”]
[Par. ff – Like endings “record”/“work”/“account”]
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for I [Nephi] desire the room [on these small plates] that I [Nephi] may write of the things of God

4 For the fulness of mine intent [on these small plates] is that I [Nephi] may persuade men to come unto the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob and [to] be saved

5 Wherefore [statement #2] the things which are pleasing ______ unto the world gg

[A] I [Nephi] do NOT write

[8] but the things which are pleasing unto God [O = them which] and unto those who are NOT of the world

[A] I [Nephi] DO write]

[8] [Editors Promise] 04

6 Wherefore [statement #3] I [Nephi] shall give commandment unto my seed [who are descendants of Joseph] that they [my seed] shall NOT occupy these [small] plates with things which are NOT of worth unto the children of men * * *

[Heb. 02 – God repeated 3 times = the highest God]
[Heb. 03 – Metaphorical names]
[Par. gg – Alternating contrast]
[Heb. 04 – “Wherefore” repeated three times = the highest importance]