

THE MULEKITES OF ZARAHEMPLA BECOME NEPHITES

(Mosiah 11:77-104)

V77-90

King Mosiah has all of the people who are in the land of Zarahemla gather together (v. 77-80) to hear what has happened to the two groups of people who have been recently reunited with them while they were separated (v. 81-82).

When the people at Zarahemla hear of all that has happened to these people they are overwhelmed by the mix of emotions for these people and for the Lamanites as well (v. 83-87). The children of Noah's priests are disgusted over what their fathers did, so they reject their namesake and adopt the name "Nephites" (v. 88-89). The Mulekites are also considered "Nephites" since the kings have been of the lineage of Nephi (v. 90).

V91-96

While the people are gathered together Mosiah has Alma preach to them, reminding them it has always been the Lord who has delivered them (v. 91). Limhi and his people want to be baptized so they have Alma do that (v.94-96).

V97-104

The gathering by Mosiah is the impetus for organizing the "church" among them, because the population is too large for a single group (v. 98). Alma acts as the high priest (v. 97) and organizes priests and teachers for the different groups (v. 98-99). They form the seven bodies of believers, all of whom enjoy the same Spirit of God as they are one "church" (v. 100-104).

- 1. How did people at Zarahemla respond when the records of Zeniff and Alma were read?**
- 2. What was the reason for organizing "churches"?**