

## CHAPTER 6

*The Lord will recover Israel in the last days—The world will be burned with fire—Men must follow Christ to avoid the lake of fire and brimstone. About 544–421 B.C.*

1 And now, behold, my brethren, as I said unto you that I would prophesy, behold, this is my prophecy—that the things which this prophet <sup>a</sup>Zenos spake, concerning the house of Israel, in the which he likened them unto a tame <sup>b</sup>olive tree, must surely come to pass.

2 And the day that he shall set his hand again the second time to <sup>a</sup>recover his people, is the day, yea, even the last time, that the <sup>b</sup>servants of the Lord shall go forth in his <sup>c</sup>power, to <sup>d</sup>nourish and prune his <sup>e</sup>vineyard; and after that the <sup>f</sup>end soon cometh.

3 And how <sup>a</sup>blessed are they who have labored <sup>b</sup>diligently in his vineyard; and how <sup>c</sup>cursed are they who shall be cast out into their own place! And the <sup>d</sup>world shall be <sup>e</sup>burned with fire.

4 And how merciful is our God unto us, for he remembereth the house of <sup>a</sup>Israel, both roots and branches; and he stretches forth his <sup>b</sup>hands unto them all the day long; and they are a <sup>c</sup>stiffnecked and a gainsaying people; but as many as will not harden their hearts shall be saved in the kingdom of God.

5 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, I beseech of you in words of soberness that ye would repent, and come with full purpose of heart, and <sup>a</sup>cleave unto God as he cleaveth unto you. And while his <sup>b</sup>arm of mercy is extended towards you in the light of the day, harden not your hearts.

6 Yea, today, if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts; for why will ye <sup>a</sup>die?

7 For behold, after ye have been nourished by the good <sup>a</sup>word of God all the day long, will ye bring forth evil fruit, that ye must be <sup>b</sup>hewn down and cast into the fire?

8 Behold, will ye reject these words? Will ye reject the words of the <sup>a</sup>prophets; and will ye reject all the words which have been spoken concerning Christ, after so many have spoken concerning him; and <sup>b</sup>deny the good word of Christ, and the power of God, and the <sup>c</sup>gift of the Holy Ghost, and quench the Holy Spirit, and make a <sup>d</sup>mock of the great plan of redemption, which hath been laid for you?

9 Know ye not that if ye will do these things, that the power of the redemption and the resurrection, which is in Christ, will bring you to stand with <sup>a</sup>shame and <sup>b</sup>awful <sup>c</sup>guilt before the bar of God?

10 And according to the power of <sup>a</sup>justice, for justice cannot be denied, ye must go away into that <sup>b</sup>lake of fire and brimstone, whose flames are unquenchable, and whose smoke ascendeth up forever and ever, which lake of fire and brimstone is <sup>c</sup>endless <sup>d</sup>torment.

11 O then, my beloved brethren, repent ye, and enter in at the <sup>a</sup>strait gate, and <sup>b</sup>continue in the way which is narrow, until ye shall obtain eternal life.

12 O be <sup>a</sup>wise; what can I say more?

13 Finally, I bid you farewell, until I shall meet you before the <sup>a</sup>pleasing bar of God, which bar striketh the wicked with <sup>b</sup>awful dread and fear. Amen.