

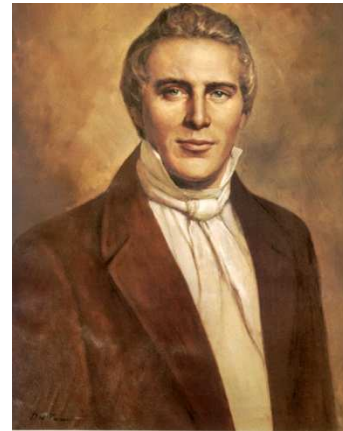
Moses 3-4



**The Doctrine of the
Fall—Its Importance
and Consequences**

Satan's Great Mistake

- **Moses 4:1-4**
- **D&C 76:25-29**
- **2 Nephi
24:11-17**
- **Abraham
3:27-28**
- **Revelation
12:7-9**



**The Prophet
Joseph
Smith
taught:**

- **“The great principle of happiness consists in having a body. The devil has no body, and is his punishment (*Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, 181*).”**



Truth Versus “True”

- **D&C 93:24-25**
- **Satan uses anything that is more/less than “truth” to deceive us—often he tells us things are truth when they are only true**
- **Modern Day examples:**
 - **Children (truth versus “true”)**
 - **Physical Bodies (truth versus “true”)**
 - **Material resources (truth versus “true”)**

Satan brought his knowledge with him-

- Elder LeGrand Richards taught: "It should be remembered that the devil and his angels, when cast down to this earth, were not deprived of the knowledge they had while in the [pre-earth life].... Because the spirits cast out of heaven with Satan have retained their knowledge and recollection of what happened there before they were cast out, they knew Jesus and the power given to him.... The



Satan brought his knowledge with him-

- same was true with respect to the mission of Joseph Smith.... Many other boys of that age had prayed without Satan's molesting them.... Therefore, except for Satan's knowledge and acquaintance that he brought with him from the spirit world, he would not have known that Joseph Smith was different from any other young boy, but he knew who "the noble and great" spirits were (A Marvelous Work and a Wonder, pp. 282-84)."



Satan brought his knowledge with him-

- Elder McConkie taught in relation to this: "Knowledge can be obtained and used in unrighteousness; Satan gains his power on this principle.... The devil has tremendous power and influence because of his knowledge (Mormon Doctrine, p. 86)."





The Great Mistake

- **Moses 4:6**
- **Moses 4:3 (10), 6; 2
Nephi 2:18, 27**
- **Moses 1:39**
- **What Satan didn't know**
- **Satan's desires**
- **God's desires for all of us**



In order for this to happen...

- Adam and Eve needed four things:

- Spirit

- Body

- Divine nature (be like God)

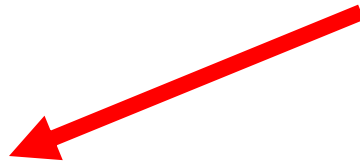
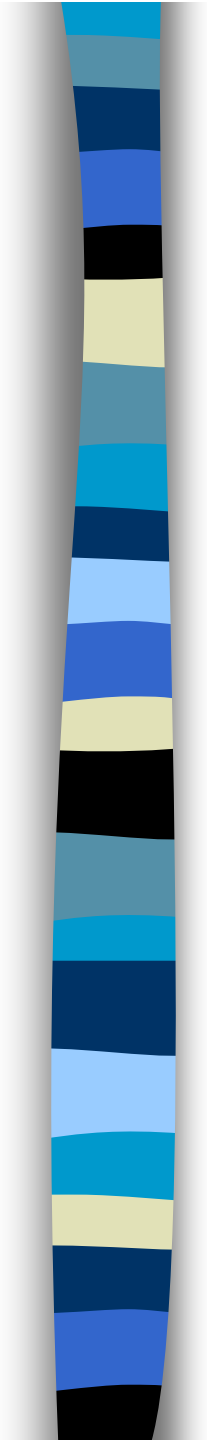
- Eternal Family

- They only had two:

- Spirit

- Body

- 2 Nephi 2:22-23!



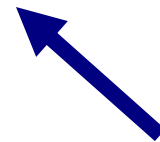
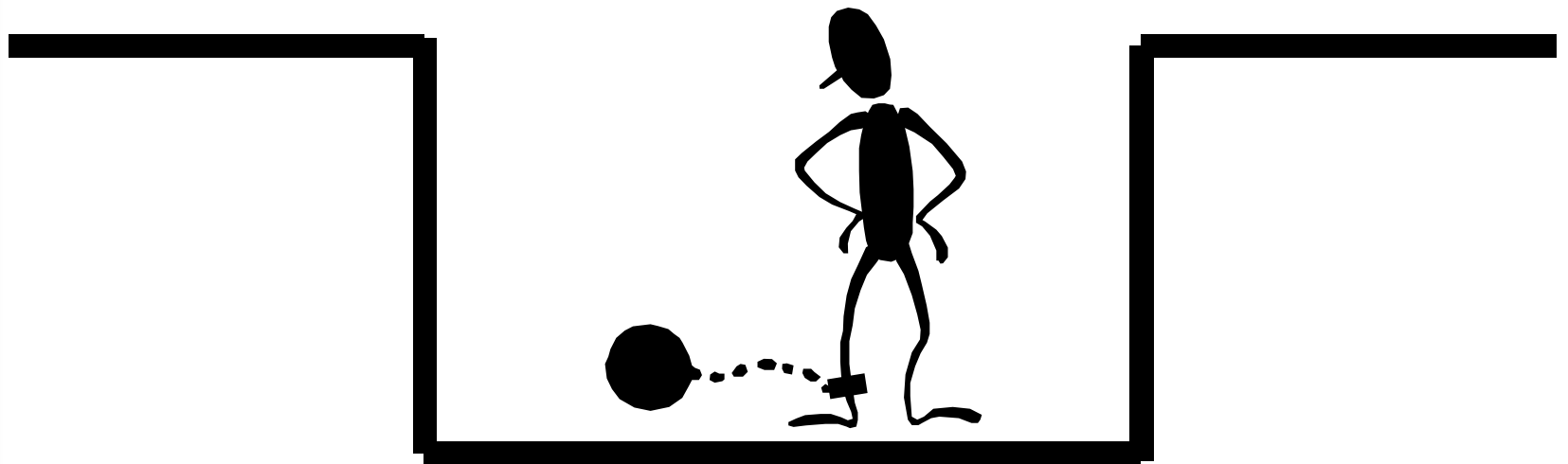
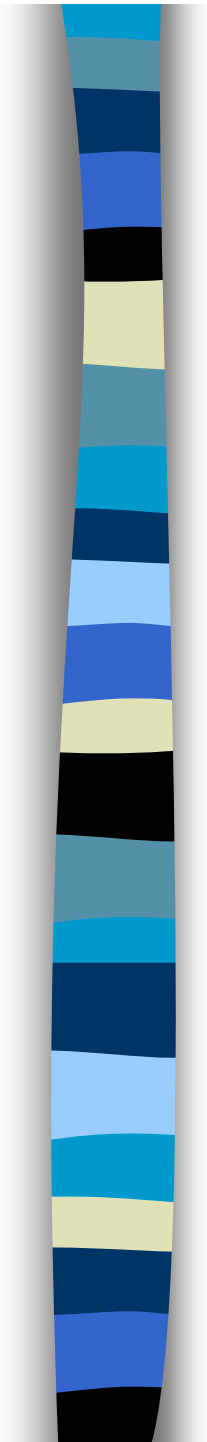
**Choice and
Accountability**





Satan's Mistake

- Adam and Eve needed four things:
- Spirit
- Body
- Divine nature (be like God)
- Eternal Family
- If he could just get Adam and Eve to sin...
- Lose Divine Nature (spiritual death)
- Die (no body)



**Men became
carnal, sensual,
devilish—subject
to the devil
(Mosiah 16:3-4)**



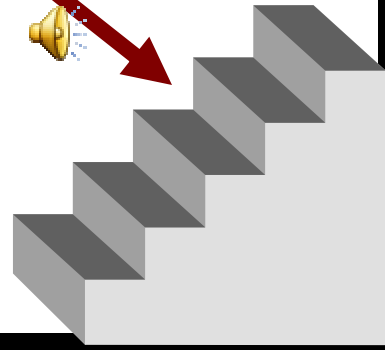
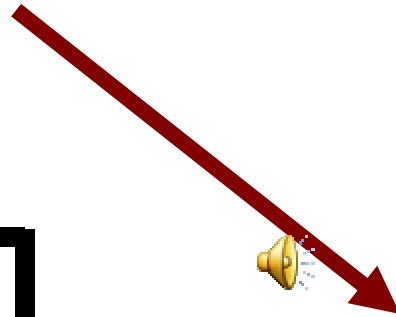
A Fall Forward



The Power of Jesus Christ

- **2 Nephi 2:6-10**
- **2 Nephi 9:6-12;
19-24**
- **2 Nephi 9:23-
24**
- **2 Nephi 31:20**
- **2 Nephi 9:41**
- **Intercession**
- **Infinite
Atonement**
- **Commence at
The Gate**
- **Press Forward**
- **Only Way**

**The Atonement of
Jesus Christ, which is
infinite and eternal
(Alma 34:10)**





Guiding Principles

- **2 Nephi 2:15-16; D&C 29:39**
- **Abraham 2:8**
- **D&C 38:1-2, 7**
- **D&C 3:2**
- **2 Nephi 2:24**
- **Opposition and Agency**
- **Protection**
- **Omniscience**
- **Never changes**
- **Divine Order**