Summary of Approved Adjustments for the 2013 Edition of the Scriptures

Background

The current printing masters of the 1979 edition of the King James Version of the Bible and the 1981 edition of the Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, and Pearl of Great Price have deteriorated because of age and long use. The quality of the typeface is no longer as clear and sharp as it should be. In the process of preparing new printing masters, the Church has taken the opportunity to make adjustments and updates and to implement new historical findings from the Joseph Smith Papers. The following list represents the most significant adjustments in this edition:

- The quality of the font and typeface has been improved for clearer reading.
- More than 99 percent of the corrections are in the study aids (chapter summaries, footnotes, Topical Guide, Bible Dictionary, and triple combination index).
- Some minor typographical errors in spelling and punctuation in the text have been corrected to ensure fidelity to the earliest manuscripts and editions.
- Errors in cross-references, dated information, or misquoted text have been corrected in the footnotes, Topical Guide, Bible Dictionary, and triple combination index.
- In the Book of Mormon, all scripture text that is part of the translation from the plates has been placed in roman typeface. Only study helps, such as chapter headings, remain in italics.
- The style and format of titles have been standardized throughout the scriptures.
- The introductions, tables of contents, and abbreviations pages have been standardized.
- The style and language of the chapter summaries has been standardized throughout the scriptures.

Words Updated in the King James Version of the Bible

Spelling of the following words has been adjusted to reflect the spellings in more recent editions of the King James Version of the Bible since the printing of the 1979 edition:

asswaged to assuaged (Gen. 8:1; Job 16:5, 6)
aul to awl (Ex. 21:6; Deut. 15:17)
bason(s) to basin(s) (Ex. 12:12; 24:6; 27:3; 38:3; Num. 4:14; 2 Sam. 17:28; 1 Kgs. 7:40, 45, 50; 2 Kgs. 12:13; 1 Chr. 28:17; 2 Chr. 4:8, 11, 22; Ezra 1:10; 8:27; Neh. 7:70; Jer. 52:19; John 13:5)
chesnut to chestnut (Gen. 30:37; Ezek. 31:8)
ciel(-ed, -ing) to ceil(-ed, -ing) (1 Kgs. 6:15; 2 Chr. 3:5; Jer. 22:14; Ezek. 41:16; Hag. 1:4)
cloke to cloak (Isa. 59:17; Matt. 5:40; Luke 6:29; John 15:22; 1 Thess. 2:5; 2 Tim. 4:13; 1 Pet. 2:16)

enquire(-d, -s, -y, -th) to inquire(-d, -s, -y, -th) (Gen. 24:57; 25:22; Ex. 18:15; Deut. 12:30; 13:14; 17:4, 9; Judges 4:20; 6:29; 8:14; 20:27; 1 Sam. 9:9; 10:22; 17:56; 22:10, 13, 15; 23:2, 4; 28:6, 7; 30:8; 2 Sam. 2:1; 5:19, 23; 11:3; 16:23; 21:1; 1 Kgs. 22:5, 7, 8; 2 Kgs. 1:2, 3, 6, 16; 3:11; 8:8; 16:15; 22:13, 18; 1 Chr. 10:13, 14; 13:3; 14:10, 14; 18:10; 21:30; 2 Chr. 18:4, 6, 7; 32:31; 34:21, 26; Ezra 7:14; Job 8:8; 10:6; Ps. 27:4; 78:34; Prov. 20:25; Eccl. 7:10; Isa. 21:12; Jer. 21:2; Ezek. 14.3, 7, 20:1, 3, 31; 36:37; Dan. 1:20; Zeph. 1:6; Matt. 2.7, 16; 10:11; Luke 22:23; John 4:52; 16:19; Acts 9:11; 10:17; 19:39; 23:15, 20; 2 Cor. 8:23; 1 Pet. 1:10)

graft(ed) to graft(ed) (Rom. 11:17, 19, 23, 24)
havock to havoc (Acts 8:3)
intreat(-ed, -ty, -ties) to entreat(-ed, -ty, -ties) (Gen. 23:8; 25:21; Ex. 8:8, 9, 28, 29, 30; 9:28; 10:17, 18; Judges 13:8; Ruth 1:16; 1 Sam. 2:25; 2 Sam. 21:14; 24:25; 1 Kgs. 13:6; 1 Chr. 5:20; 2 Chr. 33:13, 19; Ezra 8:23; Job 19:16, 17; Ps. 45:12; 119:58; Prov. 18:23; 19:6; Isa. 19:22; Luke 15:28; Heb. 12:19; James 3:17; 1 Cor. 4:13; 2 Cor. 8:4; Phil. 4:3; 1 Tim. 5:1)
jubile to jubilee (Lev. 25:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 28, 30, 31, 33, 40, 50, 52, 54; 27:17, 18, 21, 23, 24; Num. 36:4)
lunatick to lunatic (Matt. 4:24; 17:15)
marishes to marshes (Ezek. 47:11)
mixt to mixed (Num. 11:4)
mortar to mortar (Gen. 11:3; Ex. 1:14; Lev. 14:42, 45; Isa. 41:25; Ezek. 13:10, 11, 14, 15; 22:28; Nahum 3:14)
plaster(ed) to plaster(ed) (Lev. 14:42, 43, 48; Deut. 27:2, 4; Isa. 38:21; Dan. 5:5)
platted to plaited (Matt. 27:29; Mark 15:17; John 19:2)
pluckt to plucked (Gen. 8:11)
pourtray(ed) to portray(ed) (Ezek. 4:1; 8:10; 23:14)
rereward to rearward (Num. 10:25; Josh. 6:9, 13; 1 Sam. 29:2; Isa. 52:12; 58:8)
stedfast(-ly, -ness) to steadfast(-ly, -ness) (Ruth 1:18; 2 Kgs. 8:11; Job 11:15; Ps. 78:8, 37; Dan. 6:26; Luke 9:51; Acts 1:10; 2:42; 6:15; 7:55; 14:9; 1 Cor. 7:37; 15:58; 2 Cor. 1:7; 3:7, 13; Col. 2:5; Heb. 2:2; 3:14; 6:19; 1 Pet. 5:9; 2 Pet. 3:17)
spunge to sponge (Matt. 27:48; Mark 15:36; John 19:29)
vail(s) to veil(s) (Gen. 24:65; 38:14, 19; Ex. 26:31, 33, 35; 27:21; 30:6; 34:33, 34, 35, 35:12; 36:35; 38:27; 39:34; 40:3, 21, 22, 26; Lev. 4:6; 4:17; 16:2, 12, 15; 21:23; 24:3; Num. 4:5; 18:7; Ruth 3:15; 2 Chr. 3:14; Isa. 3:23; 25:7; 2 Cor. 3:13, 14, 15, 16)

**Text Corrections of Typographical Errors**

The following corrections resolve typographical errors in spelling, wording, and punctuation, restoring earlier readings of the text and maintaining the fidelity and integrity of the scriptures:

**Old Testament**

Gen. 5:17—“eight hundred and ninety and five” to “eight hundred ninety and five”
(deleted the first and)

Gen. 30:31—“keep thy flock.” to “keep thy flock:” (changed the period to a colon)
Gen. 41:45—Potipherah to Poti-pherah
Gen. 43:11—fruits of the land” to “fruits in the land” (changed of to in)
Gen. 45:13—seen: and ye” to “seen; and ye” (changed the colon to a semicolon)
Gen. 48:15—this day.” to “this day,” (changed the period to a comma)
Num. 4:19—holy things.” to “holy things:” (changed the period to a colon)
Num. 14:17; Josh. 3:11—LORD to Lord
Deut. 14:21—“the LORD thy God” to “the LORD thy God”
Deut. 17:10—“inform thee;” to “inform thee:” (changed the semicolon to a colon)
Deut. 20:2—“the people.” to “the people,” (changed the period to a comma)
Josh. 8:33—“as well as the stranger” to “as well the stranger” (deleted the second as)
Josh. 19:22—reached to reacheth
Judg. 10:9—“Moreover, the children” to “Moreover the children” (deleted the comma)
1 Sam. 1:26—“O my lord” to “Oh my lord”
1 Sam. 2:13—flesh-hook to fleshhook
1 Sam. 12:2—gray-headed to grayheaded
2 Sam. 4:5—at noon,” to “at noon.” (changed the comma to a period)
2 Sam. 18:29—“Is the young man” to “Is the young man” (placed Is in italics)
1 Chr. 4:12—Irnahash to Ir-nahash
1 Chr. 12:8—upon the mountains:” to “upon the mountains;” (changed the colon to a semicolon)
1 Chr. 12:18—peace, peace, be unto thee” to “peace, peace be unto thee” (deleted the second comma)
1 Chr. 16:42—“Heman and Jeduthun,” to “Heman and Jeduthun” (deleted the comma)
Neh. 9:17—to their bondage;” to “to their bondage:” (changed the semicolon to a colon)
Esth. 8:4—“before the king,” to “before the king,” (changed the period to a comma)
Job 9:24—the judges thereof,” to “the judges thereof;” (changed the comma to semicolon)
Ps. 44—“To the chief Musician,” to “To the chief Musician” (deleting the comma)
Ps. 57:7—“heart is fixed;” to “heart is fixed:” (changed the semicolon to a period)
Ps. 69:11—I became” to “I became”
Isa. 33:9—like a wilderness:” to “like a wilderness;” (changed the colon to a semicolon)
Isa. 46:2—bow down together,” to “bow down together;” (changed the comma to a semicolon)
Jer. 18:17—before the enemy:” to “before the enemy;” (changed the colon to a semicolon)
Jer. 31:9—and with supplications,” to “and with supplications” (deleting the comma)
Jer. 32:5—shall not prosper.” to “shall not prosper?” (changed the period to a question mark)
Jer. 49:13—perpetual wastes;” to “perpetual wastes.” (changed the semicolon to a period)
Ezek. 23:40—with ornaments.” to “with ornaments,” (changed the period to a comma)
Dan. 2:4—we will shew the interpretation,” to “we will shew the interpretation.” (changed the comma to a period)
Dan. 8:24—own power;” to “own power:” (changed the semicolon to a colon)
Hosea 14:1—"O Israel" to "O Israel"
Amos 2:2—Kirioth to Kerioth

New Testament
Matt. 12:17—"the prophet, saying," to "the prophet, saying," (changed the period to a comma)
Matt. 16:3—"and lowring," to "and lowring." (changed the comma to a period)
Mark 9:15—"greatly amazed and," to "greatly amazed, and" (moved the comma to follow amazed)
Mark 16:18—"shall not hurt them:" to "shall not hurt them;" (changed the colon to a semicolon)
Luke 7:39—"for she is a sinner" to "for she is a sinner" (corrected misspelling of sinner)
Acts 23:32—"and returned" to "and returned" (removed italics from and)
1 Cor. 7:37—"Nevertheless, he" to "Nevertheless he" (deleted the comma)
2 Cor. 6:17—"I will receive you." to "I will receive you," (changed the period to a comma)
Philem. 1:25—"Onesimus, a servant" to "Onesimus a servant" (deleted the comma)
Heb. 4:12—two-edged to twoedged
Rev. 3:11—"I come quickly;" to "I come quickly:" (changed the semicolon to a colon)

Book of Mormon
Original Title Page, para. 2—"to show unto the remnant of the House of Israel" to "to show unto the remnant of the house of Israel" (lowercased house)
1 Ne. 10:12, 14; 15:7, 12, 16; Jacob 5:3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 14, 34, 46; 6:1—olive-tree to olive tree
1 Ne. 10:18—to-day to today
1 Ne. 14:30; 15:1—spirit to Spirit
2 Ne. 2:1, 2, 11; 4:3; 24:30—first-born to firstborn
2 Ne. 16:13—teil-tree to tei tree
2 Ne. 17:8—three score to threescore
2 Ne. 22:1—comfortedest to comfortedst
2 Ne. 24:8—fir-trees to fir trees
2 Ne. 26:9—Son of righteousness to Son of Righteousness (capitalized Righteousness)
2 Ne. 32:8—if ye would hearken unto the Spirit which teacheth a man to pray to "if ye would hearken unto the Spirit which teacheth a man to pray," (placing a comma following pray)
Alma 1:11; 47:15; Ether 8:6—plead(ed) to pled
Alma 12:31—becoming as Gods to becoming as gods (lowercased gods)
Alma 16:10—carcases to carcasses
Alma 24:11—all that we could do, to all that we could do (deleted the comma following do)
Alma 29:4—in my desires, the firm decree to in my desires the firm decree (deleted the comma following desires)
Alma 56:13—our valiant men; to our valiant men; (changed the semicolon to a colon)
Hel., book intro.—"the book of Helaman." to "the book of Helaman, and so forth." (restored a comma and the phrase "and so forth")

Hel. 13:17—"the peoples'" to "the people's"

Moroni 3:3—"I ordain you to be a priest, (or, if he be a teacher) I ordain you to be a teacher, to preach repentance" to "I ordain you to be a priest (or if he be a teacher, I ordain you to be a teacher) to preach repentance" (changed the placement of the parentheses and commas)

Introduction preceding books to 1 Ne.; 2 Ne.; Jacob; Alma; Hel.; 3 Ne.; 4 Ne.—Placed the introductory paragraph in roman typeface to indicate that the text is scripture, part of the plates and original translation of the Book of Mormon, and not a study help. For example, the introduction to 1 Nephi:

An account of Lehi and his wife Sariah, and his four sons, being called, (beginning at the eldest) Laman, Lemuel, Sam, and Nephi. The Lord warns Lehi to depart out of the land of Jerusalem, because he prophesieth unto the people concerning their iniquity and they seek to destroy his life. He taketh three days' journey into the wilderness with his family. Nephi taketh his brethren and returneth to the land of Jerusalem after the record of the Jews. The account of their sufferings. They take the daughters of Ishmael to wife. They take their families and depart into the wilderness. Their sufferings and afflictions in the wilderness. The course of their travels. They come to the large waters. Nephi's brethren rebel against him. He confoundeth them, and buildeth a ship. They call the name of the place Bountiful. They cross the large waters into the promised land, and so forth. This is according to the account of Nephi; or in other words, I, Nephi, wrote this record.

Introductions preceding chapters in books: Mosiah 9; 23; Alma 5; 7; 9; 17; 21; 36; 38; 39; 45; Hel. 7; 13; 3 Ne. 11; Moro. 9—Placed the preceding introduction in roman typeface to indicate that the text is scripture, part of the plates and original translation of the Book of Mormon, and separated it from the last sentence, which is a study help. For example, the introduction preceding Mosiah 9:

THE RECORD OF ZENIFF—An account of his people, from the time they left the land of Zarahemla until the time that they were delivered out of the hands of the Lamanites.

Comprising chapters 9 through 22.

Doctrine and Covenants

D&C 20:68—"received by baptism.—" to "received by baptism—" (deleted the period)
D&C 35:13; 133:59—thrash to thresh
D&C 35:16; 45:37; 88:87—fig-tree(s) to fig tree(s)
D&C 40:1—"James Covill" to "James Covel"
D&C 101:44, 45, 46, 51—olive-trees to olive trees
D&C 104:39—"on the the corner south" to "on the corner south" (deleted the repeated the)
D&C 107:34—"to the Jews;" to "to the Jews—" (changed the semicolon to an em dash)
D&C 112:1—"of my servants," to "of my servants." (changed the comma to a period)
D&C 115:12; 124:23, 60, 131—corner stone (or corner-stone) to cornerstone
D&C 124:26—"box-tree, fir-tree, pine-tree” to "box tree, fir tree, pine tree”
D&C 127:12; 136:2; OD 1—"the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints” to "The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints” (capitalized The)
D&C 134:6—“all men show respect” to “all men owe respect” (changed show to owe)

Pearl of Great Price
Moses 1:27—“by the spirit of God” to “by the Spirit of God” (capitalized Spirit)
Moses 7:39—“And That which” to “And that which” (lowercased that)
JS—Matt. 1:38—fig-tree to fig tree
JS—History 1:1—“of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints” to “of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints” (capitalized The)

Corrections to the Study Helps

General Changes
Contents pages—Standardized the contents pages throughout the scriptures.
Abbreviations pages—Standardized and expanded the abbreviations pages.
Chapter headings—Adjusted the chapter headings, capitalizing pronoun references to Deity; correcting incomplete sentences and inconsistent punctuation, spelling, and capitalization; and adjusting the headings to more clearly reflect the text and avoid interpretation.
Footnotes—Corrected errors in footnotes, such as incorrect references or cross-references to other scripture passages or study helps.
References to Deity—All abbreviations referring to Deity in the Topical Guide and triple combination index have been spelled out.
Reformatting of study helps—In the Bible Dictionary, numbered subtopics in a main entry have been separated to be consistent throughout the dictionary and to help the reader more readily identify each of the numbered elements; and in the Topical Guide and triple combination index the material has been reformatted for easier identification of main entries and each book of scripture (Old Testament, New Testament, Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, and Pearl of Great Price) has been separated for easier reference.
Corrections in study helps—Typographical errors in punctuation, capitalization, and incorrect references or cross-references have been corrected in the footnotes, Topical Guide, Bible Dictionary, and triple combination index.
Bible Map sections—Changes for the Bible maps include (1) placing them after the Harmony of the Gospels, (2) moving the index of place-names to follow the maps; and (3) enlarging some of the maps and placing each on a separate page.
Bible Photographs section—Changes for the Bible photographs include (1) placing them following the maps, (2) consolidating the current explanations of the photographs with the actual photographs, (3) placing each photograph on a separate page, in portrait layout, with its appropriate description and explanation, (4) improving the quality of the existing photographs and replacing some with better, more accurate images, and (5) corrected some errors in the location of place-names.
Church History Maps section—Changes for the Church history maps section include (1) placing them immediately after the triple combination index, (2) moving the
index of place-names to follow the maps, (3) enlarging some of the maps and placing each on a separate page, (4) correcting errors in location and place-names.

Church History Photographs section—Changes include (1) consolidating each photograph with its description, (2) placing each photograph on a separate page, (3) providing better quality images and some new photographs.

Old Testament

Abbreviations page—Added the explanation “Italics in biblical text” to help readers understand the use of italic typeface in the King James Version of the Bible.

Mal. 4, end of chapter—Placed an asterisk following the term “THE END OF THE PROPHETS*”; and added the following footnote: “*IE The end of the books of the prophets of the Old Testament.”

New Testament

1 Thes. 5, end of chapter—Placed an asterisk following the statement “The first epistle unto the Thessalonians was written from Athens.*”; and added the following footnote: “*More recent scholarship concludes that 1 and 2 Thes. were most likely written from Corinth.”

2 Thes. 3, end of chapter—Placed an asterisk following the statement “The second epistle to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.*”; and added the following footnote: “*More recent scholarship concludes that 1 and 2 Thes. were most likely written from Corinth.”

Topical Guide

Reformatting—The Topical Guide has been reformatted for easier identification of main entries.

Separation of books of scripture—The guide has been reformatted to separate each book of scripture (Old Testament, New Testament, Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, and Pearl of Great Price) for easier reference.

References to Deity—All abbreviations referring to Deity have been spelled out in the guide. For example, under “Jesus Christ” the abbreviations have been spelled out:

\[ \ldots \text{Philip. 2:10 at the name of Jesus every knee should bow;} 2:11 \text{ every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord;} \text{2 Tim. 2:8 Jesus Christ of the seed of David;} \ldots \]

References and cross-references—Typographical errors in punctuation, capitalization, and incorrect references or cross-references have been corrected. For example:

Under “Able,” under the subentry Numbers 13:30, “possess it . . . for we are well a. to overcome it” has been changed to “possess it; for we are well a. to overcome it,” correcting the punctuation.

Under “Sustaining Church Leaders,” under the subentry D&C 112:20, “whoso receiveth me, receiveth those . . . whom I have sent” was changed to “whosoever receiveth me, receiveth those . . . whom I have sent,” correcting whoso to whosoever.

Under “Holy Ghost, Unpardonable Sin Against,” under the subentry Matthew 12:31, the incorrect parenthetical cross-reference D&C 132:7 was changed to 132:27, which refers to blasphemy against the Holy Ghost.
**Bible Dictionary**

Historical or factual information—Some errors or outdated information of history or fact have been corrected and updated. For example:

Under “Ahab,” item 1, the last sentence “the united forces were defeated by Shalmaneser II” was changed to “the united forces were defeated by Shalmaneser III,” the correct historical figure.

Introduction—The introduction has been revised and simplified to be more consistent with other introductions in scriptures study helps.

**Bible Chronology**

Placement of the chronology—The Bible Chronology, with the existing introduction, has been moved from the Bible Dictionary to the appendix as a separate item for easier reference for the reader. A cross-reference to its new placement remains in the Bible Dictionary.

**Harmony of the Gospels**

Placement of the Harmony of the Gospels—The harmony has been moved from the Bible Dictionary to the appendix as a separate item for easier reference for the reader. A cross-reference to its new placement remains in the Bible Dictionary.

Reformatting of the harmony—The harmony has been reformatted from a landscape page layout to a portrait page layout for easier use by the reader.

Revisions to the harmony—The harmony has been extensively revised to reflect more recent scholarship and findings regarding the sequence of events.

Headings—The main headings have been simplified for easier reference.

Introduction—The introduction has been revised.

**Joseph Smith Translation**

Title of the section—Changed the title of the appendix section “Joseph Smith Translation” to “Selections from the Joseph Smith Translation.”

Typeface—Throughout the section, the typeface has been enlarged for easier reading.

Introduction—Following the title, replaced the existing introductory statement (“Excerpts too Lengthy for Inclusion in Footnotes”) with a new introduction.

Reformatting—Added the abbreviation JST before each scripture reference and a cross-reference following each reference to help the reader more easily identify the JST reference with its corresponding passage in the King James Version of the Bible.

JST entries—Added or adjusted the following entries:

- JST, Genesis 1:1–8:10 (new entry)
- JST, Genesis 9:10–15 (added verse 15)
- JST, Genesis 17:3–12 (combined two existing entries added verses 8 through 10)
- JST, Genesis 17:23–24 (new entry)
- JST, Genesis 21:31–32 (corrected the use of italics)
- JST, Exodus 33:20, 23 (adjusted and added verse 23)
JST, Mark 14:20–26 (changed entry for Mark 14:20–25 and added verse 26)
JST, 1 Corinthians 7:29–33, 38 (changed entry for 1 Corinthians 7:29–33 and added verse 38)
JST, Colossians 2:21–22 (corrected the use of italics)
JST, 1 Timothy 3:15–16 (removed brackets from summary following the main entry)
JST, Revelations 12:1–17 (moved the summary statement from the end of the entry to the beginning)

New and revised JST footnotes—Added and adjusted the following footnotes:

Added new JST references to the appendix into the footnotes: Gen. 9:4, footnote 4a; 17:3, footnote 3a; 17:17, footnote 17a; 18:2, footnote 2a; 32:30, footnote 30b; 37:10, footnote 10a; Ex. 13:19, footnote 19a; 14:16, footnote 16a; 14:16, footnote 16b; 19:21, footnote 21a; 21:12, footnote 12b; 28:9, footnote 9b; 33:20, footnote 20a; Num. 14:20, footnote 20a; 20:8, footnote 8a; 35:16, footnote 16a; 35:30, footnote 30a; Deut. 10:1, footnote 1a; Isa. 27:1, footnote 1c; 34:4, footnote 4b; 66:7, footnote 7c; Micah 5:2, footnote 2c; Matt. 3:3, footnote 3a; 3:7, footnote 7a; 3:11, footnote 11d; 7:23, footnote 23a; 9:11, footnote 11a; Mark 4:23, footnote 23a; 8:35, footnote 35b; 13:33, footnote 33a; 14:22, footnote 22a; Luke 2:40, footnote 40a; 9:23, footnote 23a; 14:27, footnote 27a; 21:25, footnote 25a; 22:19, footnote 19b; John 1:17, footnote 17a; 3:22, footnote 22a; 12:25, footnote 25a; Rom. 4:3, footnote 3a; 7:15, footnote 15a; 1 Cor. 7:29, footnote 29a.

Added new JST quotations into the footnotes: Gen. 6:6, footnote 6a; 6:7, footnote 7b; 11:8, footnote 8a; 47:29, footnote 29b; Ex. 21:20, footnote 20a; 21:21, footnote 21b; Josh. 2:5, footnote 5a; 1 Sam. 28:15, footnote 15a; 1 Kgs. 22:22, footnote 22a; 2 Chr. 18:20, footnote 20a; Neh. 6:11, footnote 11a; Ps. 33:6, footnote 6a; Isa. 6:5, footnote 5d; 37:36, footnote 36a; Jer. 2:24, footnote 24a; 18:8, footnote 8a; 18:10, footnote 10c; 42:10, footnote 10a; Ezek. 14:9, footnote 9a; 36:20, footnote 20b; 48:35, footnote 35a; Dan. 7:3, footnote 3b; Zech. 14:5, footnote 5b; Matt. 2:19, footnote 9a; 5:30, footnote 30a; 9:18, footnote 18b; 16:24 and 25, footnote a; 25:12, footnote 12a; 26:26 and 28, footnote a; 27:11, footnote 11a; Mark 8:35, footnote 35c; 14:10, footnote 10a; John 1:28, footnote 28b; 1:33, footnote 33a; 4:34, footnote 34a; 5:29, footnote 29b; 8:11, footnote 11c; Rom. 8:20, footnote 20a; 1 Cor. 6:2, footnote 2a; Gal. 3:24, footnote 24c; James 2:19, footnote 19a; 5:20, footnote 20c; 1 Pet. 4:7, footnote 7a; Rev. 9:1, footnote 1a.

Deleted one JST footnote: Heb. 5:7a.

Book of Mormon

Contents page—Changed the name “The Names and Order of Books in the Book of Mormon” to “Contents” to be consistent with other books of scripture, and moved the contents page to the beginning of the book following the original title page.

Introduction—Capitalized pronoun references to Deity to be consistent with Church style.

Intro., par. 1, sent. 2—Changed “a record of God’s dealings with the ancient inhabitants of the Americas” to “a record of God’s dealings with ancient inhabitants of the Americas,” deleting the in “with the ancient inhabitants” to provide clarity and greater accuracy.
Intro., par. 1, sent. 2—Deleted the phrase “as does the Bible” to provide clarity and accuracy so that the last clause reads: “. . . and contains the fulness of the everlasting gospel.”

Intro., par. 2, last sentence—Changed the phrase “they are the principal ancestors” to “they are among the ancestors,” providing clarity and greater accuracy, so that the statement reads: “. . . all were destroyed except the Lamanites, and they are among the ancestors of the American Indians.”

A Brief Explanation about the Book of Mormon—Added a paragraph under “About this edition” that explains the nature of the original title page and the use of italics in the Book of Mormon.

Footnotes of chronological dates—The dates appearing as footnotes have been incorporated into the chapter headings.

**Doctrine and Covenants**

A number of adjustments and corrections have been made to the introduction and section introductions of the Doctrine and Covenants, reflecting findings from the *Joseph Smith Papers* project, including the following:

Introduction, par. 8—Changed the last sentence “Finally, the testimony that is given of Jesus Christ—his divinity, his majesty, his perfection, his love, and his redeeming power—makes this book of great value to the human family and of more worth than the riches of the whole earth” to “Finally, the testimony that is given of Jesus Christ—His divinity, His majesty, His perfection, His love, and His redeeming power—makes this book of great value to the human family and ‘worth to the Church the riches of the whole Earth’ (see heading to D&C 70).”

Introduction, last paragraph—Replaced the last paragraph with four paragraphs of additional historical information:

The revelations were originally recorded by Joseph Smith’s scribes, and Church members enthusiastically shared handwritten copies with each other. To create a more permanent record, scribes soon copied these revelations into manuscript record books, which Church leaders used in preparing the revelations to be printed. Joseph and the early Saints viewed the revelations as they did the Church: living, dynamic, and subject to refinement with additional revelation. They also recognized that unintentional errors had likely occurred through the process of copying the revelations and preparing them for publication. Thus, a Church conference asked Joseph Smith in 1831 to “correct those errors or mistakes which he may discover by the Holy Spirit.”

After the revelations had been reviewed and corrected, Church members in Missouri began printing a book titled *A Book of Commandments for the Government of the Church of Christ*, which contained many of the Prophet’s early revelations. This first attempt to publish the revelations ended, however, when a mob destroyed the Saints’ printing office in Jackson County on July 20, 1833.

Upon hearing of the destruction of the Missouri printing office, Joseph Smith and other Church leaders began preparations to publish the revelations in Kirtland, Ohio. To again correct errors, clarify wording, and recognize developments in Church doctrine and organization, Joseph Smith oversaw the editing of the text of some revelations to prepare them for publication in 1835 as the *Doctrine and Covenants of the Church of the Latter Day Saints*. Joseph Smith authorized another edition of the Doctrine and Covenants, which was published only months after the Prophet’s martyrdom in 1844.

The early Latter-day Saints prized the revelations and viewed them as messages from God. On one occasion in late 1831, several elders of the Church gave solemn testimony that the Lord had borne record to their souls of the truth of the revelations. This testimony was published in the 1835 edition of the Doctrine and Covenants as the written testimony of the Twelve Apostles:
Introduction, last paragraph following the Testimony of the Twelve Apostles—
Substantially revised the paragraph to reflect the historical improvements in this edition resulting from the Joseph Smith Papers project:

Each new edition of the Doctrine and Covenants has corrected past errors and added new information, particularly in the historical portions of the section headings. The present edition further refines dates and place-names and makes other corrections. These changes have been made to bring the material into conformity with the most accurate historical information. Other special features of this latest edition include revised maps showing the major geographical locations in which the revelations were received, plus improved photographs of Church historical sites, cross-references, section headings, and subject-matter summaries, all of which are designed to help readers to understand and rejoice in the message of the Lord as given in the Doctrine and Covenants. Information for the section headings has been taken from the Manuscript History of the Church and the published History of the Church (collectively referred to in the headings as Joseph Smith’s history) and the Joseph Smith Papers.

Chronological Order of Contents—Revised the contents to reflect the changes in dates and places as indicated in the corrections for the section introductions of the Doctrine and Covenants.

Spelling of James Covel—Corrected the spelling of “James Covill” to “James Covel” in the introductions to sections 40 and 59.

Dates, places, and circumstances of revelations—The section introductions to the following sections have been adjusted to reflect correct dates, locations, and circumstances under which revelations were received: 1; 10; 13; 19; 20; 22; 32; 36; 41; 42; 47; 48; 49; 50; 51; 52; 53; 54; 55; 56; 57; 59; 60; 63; 65; 66; 67; 68; 69; 70; 72; 74; 75; 76; 77; 78; 79; 80; 81; 82; 87; 88; 89; 92; 94; 98; 99; 101; 102; 104; 105; 107; 112; 114; 115; 122; 123.

D&C 132, sect. intro.—Revised the introduction to read:

Revelation given through Joseph Smith the Prophet, at Nauvoo, Illinois, recorded July 12, 1843, relating to the new and everlasting covenant, including the eternity of the marriage covenant and the principle of plural marriage. Although the revelation was recorded in 1843, evidence indicates that some of the principles involved in this revelation were known by the Prophet as early as 1831. See Official Declaration 1.

D&C 135, sect. intro.—Revised and rewrote the introduction to read:

Announcement of the martyrdom of Joseph Smith the Prophet and his brother, Hyrum Smith the Patriarch, at Carthage, Illinois, June 27, 1844. This document was included at the end of the 1844 edition of the Doctrine and Covenants, which was nearly ready for publication when Joseph and Hyrum Smith were murdered.

OD 1—Added the following introduction and historical background to Official Declaration 1, and placed it in an italic typeface to indicate that it is a study help:

The Bible and the Book of Mormon teach that monogamy is God’s standard for marriage unless He declares otherwise (see 2 Samuel 12:7–8 and Jacob 2:27, 30). Following a revelation to Joseph Smith, the practice of plural marriage was instituted among Church members in the early 1840s (see section 132). From the 1860s to the 1880s, the United States government passed laws to make this religious practice illegal. These laws were eventually upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court. After receiving revelation, President Wilford Woodruff issued the following Manifesto, which was accepted by the Church as authoritative and binding on October 6, 1890. This led to the end of the practice of plural marriage in the Church.
The Book of Mormon teaches that “all are alike unto God,” including “black and white, bond and free, male and female” (2 Nephi 26:33). Throughout the history of the Church, people of every race and ethnicity in many countries have been baptized and have lived as faithful members of the Church. During Joseph Smith’s lifetime, a few black male members of the Church were ordained to the priesthood. Early in its history, Church leaders stopped conferring the priesthood on black males of African descent. Church records offer no clear insights into the origins of this practice. Church leaders believed that a revelation from God was needed to alter this practice and prayerfully sought guidance. The revelation came to Church President Spencer W. Kimball and was affirmed to other Church leaders in the Salt Lake Temple on June 1, 1978. The revelation removed all restrictions with regard to race that once applied to the priesthood.

Pearl of Great Price

Introduction, paragraph 1, last sentence—Changed “These items were produced by the Prophet Joseph Smith and were published in . . .” to “These items were translated and produced by the Prophet Joseph Smith, and most were published in . . .”

Introduction, paragraph 4, item 2—Changed “A translation from some Egyptian papyri that came into the hands of Joseph Smith in 1835, containing writings of the patriarch Abraham” to “An inspired translation of the writings of Abraham. Joseph Smith began the translation in 1835 after obtaining some Egyptian papyri.”

Introduction, paragraph 4, item 4—Changed “which he prepared in 1838 and” to “which he and his scribes prepared in 1838–39 and.”

Church History Chronology

The Church History Chronology has been deleted from the triple combination. A more comprehensive version will be made available on the Church History website, allowing for regular updates.