

A HOAX UNVEILED

God says in His Word in 1 John 2,21:

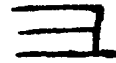
“NO LIE IS OF THE TRUTH”

You have certainly considered the two reproductions on the cover. The first one is a photographic copy of an Egyptian papyrus; the second a drawing, a rather poor copy of the same original.

If you have studied Egyptian History, even just a little, you certainly recognized this scene. Hundreds of papyrus found in tombs show the same scene. It is the classic scene of embalming, pictured on the copies of the Book of the Dead, which book was placed near the mummy and was intended to guide the dead in the hereafter. The dead lies on a bed, the standing person is the god Anubis. Under the bed you find the four canopic jars with the heads of a human, baboon, jackal and falcon. These heads are the heads of the four sons of Horus: Arnset, Napi, Qebsennuf and Duamutef. It is hardly necessary to say that all the scholars in egyptology fully agree on this subject, for it is such a common one. We shall see that more in detail later.

So, we may think that nobody would come up with another opinion. Well, one man did. Was he a scholar? Not at all. Was he more or less acquainted in egyptology? Not at all, he was living at a time when nobody was able to read and translate Egyptian. So one may ask: How did he do his translation then? He pretended to have the “gift of translating all records that are of ancient date”. So he gave an interpretation of this scene and he “translated” the Egyptian text of this papyrus, and

declared it was the Book of Abraham. Here is an example:



This single character is translated with 76 WORDS! Such a nonsense is incredible! While this character means “water” when it stands alone, it can also be used as a generic determinative. This means that in many cases it is used as only *a part of ONE word*. Its presence helped the Egyptians know that the words in which it appeared had some relationship to water. It is found in the words: drown, flood, irrigate, sprinkle, wash, drink, river, brook and so on. In the fragment of papyrus this man used for his “translation”, this character is only a part of an Egyptian word which means “pool” or “lake”. Here is the “translation”:

13 It was made after the form of a bedstead, such as was had among the Chaldeans, and it stood before the gods of Elkenah, Libnah, Mahmackrah, Korash, and also a god like unto that of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.

14 That you may have an understanding of these gods, I have given you the fashion of them in the figures at the beginning, which manner of the figures is called by the Chaldeans Rahleenos, which signifies hieroglyphics.

Now, who did this forgery? It is Joseph Smith the founder of the “Later Days Saints” commonly called “Mormons”. Of course, during his time the science of Egyptology was in its infancy, and “the prophet” could not foresee that within several decades, it would be possible to read Egyptian, and thus to check his “translation” and to unveil his hoax.

And he did other deceitful works. He “translated” a book he called Book of Mormon. Now that you know his “translating” method, you can judge for yourself the authenticity of the Book of Mormon.

Here are a few quotations from some well known egyptologists:

Dr. Sayce of Oxford, England:

“It is difficult to deal seriously with Joseph Smith's IMPUDENT FRAUD.”

Dr. W.M. Flinders Petrie of London University:

“the professed explanations, are TOO ABSURD TO BE NOTICED. It may be safely said that THERE IS NOT ONE SINGLE WORD THAT IS TRUE in these explanations.”

James H. Breasted, Haskell Oriental Museum, University of Chicago:

“Joseph Smith's interpretation... very clearly demonstrates that HE WAS TOTALLY UNACQUAINTED with the significance of these documents and ABSOLUTELY IGNORANT of the simplest facts of Egyptian writing and civilisation.”

Dr. Arthur C. Mace, Metropolitan Museum, New York:

“The 'Book of Abraham', it is hardly necessary to say, IS A PURE FABRICATION.” And the same author speaks of “the clumsiness of the IMPOSTURE.”

C. Desroches Noblecourt, Musée du Louvre, Paris:

"...your letter with the three fac similes from the RAMBLINGS of Mr. Joseph Smith. You are quite right in thinking that these INTERPRETATIONS, which somehow managed to get published, are FANCIFUL. And I find it is scandalous to let such texts circulate."

We would like to quote some others: Professor D.J.Nelson; Professor Doctor H. de Meulenaere, Belgium; T.Dévéria of the Musée du Louvre, Paris; Professor John A. Wilson, University of Chicago; Richard A. Parker, Brown University, and so on; but space does not permit.

The above mentioned facts are easy to be checked. Several of the scholars mentioned are still alive and can answer your questions.

The photocopies of the original editions of the Book of Abraham, of the "Egyptian Grammar" of Joseph Smith (written with his own hand), of the original editions of the Book of Mormon (where you can see the thousands of changes made in the present editions of the same book, surprising changes if it was the Word of God) may be obtained from: Modern Microfilm Co, Box 1884 Salt Lake City, Utah 84110 (USA).

Dear reader, you who have believed the word of this false prophet, check yourself, in asking God to lead you. **"Ask and it shall be given to you; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you."** Matthew 7,7. Now that the hoax is unveiled you can no

longer trust a liar. He is not from God, for: **"no lie is of the truth."**, but from Satan who **"is a liar, and the father of it."** John 8,44.

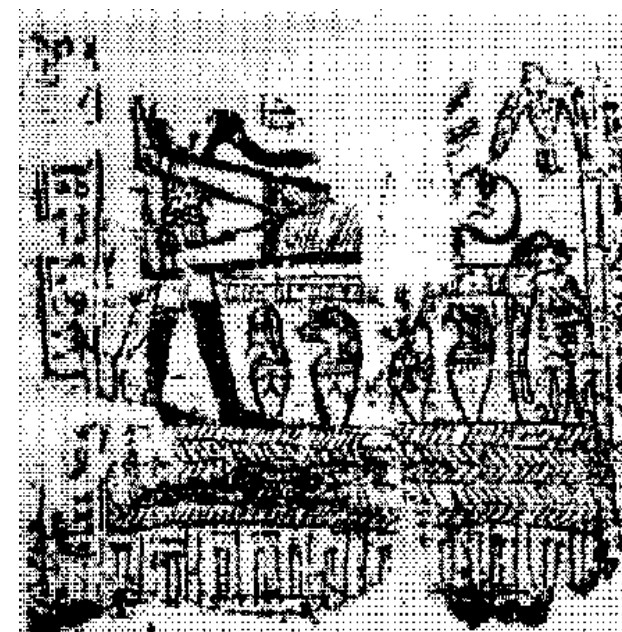
Trust the Only One who is worthy to be trusted: The Lord Jesus Christ! He, alone is **"the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by HIM."** John 14,6.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." Acts 4,12.

You have read this tract, now it is no longer possible to think that you are in the truth if you still give your confidence to a proven liar.

"We pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." 2 Cor. 5, 20 and 21.

If you have any question, you may write us, and we will try to help you find the answer in the Word of God - the Holy Bible -. If you would like more evidence, we will do our best to supply it. Write to the following address:



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Above: Photo of a part of the Sensen papyrus
Below: The copy as it appears in the PGP

