



THE LIFE AND TIMES MORMON

Creating A Sense of Place

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Mormon -- From Shim to Cumorah -- AD 321 to AD 385

Year	Age	Event
321	10	Ammaron visits Mormon and instructs him that in Shim there are sacred records engraved on gold.
322	11	Mormon is carried into the land southward to the land of Zarahemla by his father.
326	15	Mormon is visited by the Lord at the age of fifteen, "and taste[s] and [knows] of the goodness of Jesus" (Mormon 1:15).
327	16	Mormon becomes head of the Nephite armies and leads them in battle against the Lamanites.
331	20	Mormon and his army of 42,000 defeats the Lamanite king, Aaron, and his army of 44,000.
335	24	Mormon goes to the hill called Shim in the land Antum, takes the plates of Nephi, and begins his abridgment of the records.
345	34	Nephites retreat to the land of Jashon, but are driven forth again northward to the land of Shem.
346	35	A Nephite army of 30,000 beats a Lamanite army of 50,000.
350	39	The Nephites make a treaty with the Lamanites and the Gadianton Robbers, giving the Nephites the land northward up "to the narrow passage which led into the land southward", and giving the Lamanites the land southward (Mormon 2:28-9).
		No battles fought between the Nephites and the Lamanites from AD 350 to AD 360.
360	49	Lamanites again come to battle the Nephites.
362	51	Nephites beat the Lamanites in battle and begin to boast in their own strength and "swear before the heavens that they would avenge themselves of the blood of their brethren who had been slain by their enemies" (Mormon 3:9). Mormon "utterly refuse[s]...to be a commander and a leader" to the Nephites (Mormon 3:11).
363	52	Nephite armies attack the Lamanites and are beaten back. Lamanites take the city of Desolation.
364	53	Lamanites attack the city of Teancum, but are driven back. Nephites retake the city of Desolation.

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367	56	Mormon describes "the horrible scene of the blood and carnage which was among the people, both of the Nephites and of the Lamanites" (Mormon 4:11). Lamanites take the city of Desolation back driving the Nephites before them, next attacking the city of Teancum and taking many women and children prisoners to offer up as sacrifices to their idol gods. Nephites drive the Lamanites out of their land in anger over Lamanite sacrifices (Mormon 4:15).
375	64	After eight years of no conflict between the two sides, the Lamanites attack. Meanwhile, the Nephites, from this point forth, gain no power over their enemies (Mormon 4:16-18), resulting in a nationwide retreat (Mormon 4:22).
375	64	Sometime between AD 375 and 380: Mormon resumes command of the Nephite armies.
380	69	Between AD 380 and 385: Mormon, with the permission of the Lamanites' king, gathers his people to Cumorah to fight the Lamanites.
385	74	The Nephites finish gathering their people. Around this time is when Mormon abridges the Large Plates of Nephi, and compiles the record into its almost finished product (See Words of Mormon 1:1-5, 9 and Mormon 6:6).
385	74	The Nephites and Lamanites go to battle, resulting in the annihilation of the Nephite nation, with 230,000 Nephite casualties, or 10,000 each led by 23 captains. Only 24 survive, including Mormon and his son Moroni. Mormon bids farewell to the once great nation.
		Between AD 385 and 400: Of the remaining survivors of the final battle, all are hunted down and slain, except for Moroni.

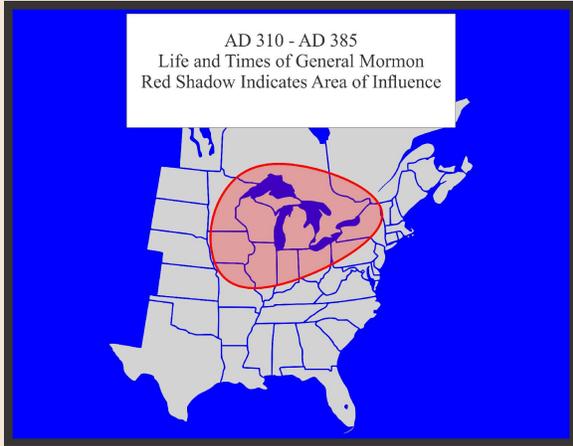


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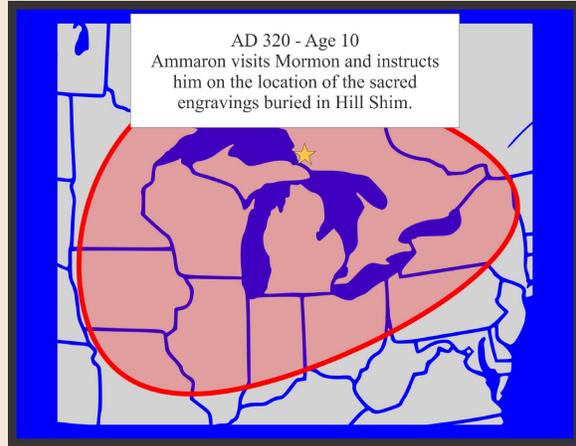


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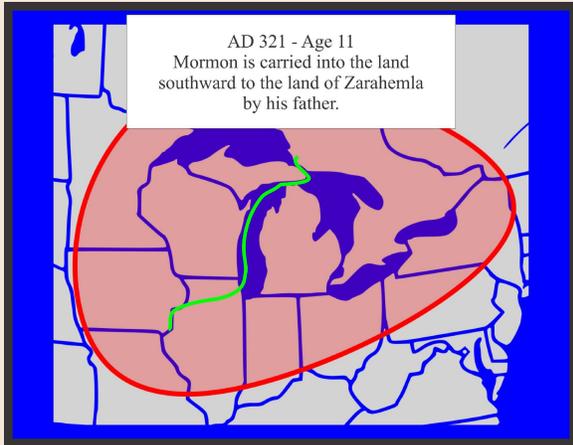


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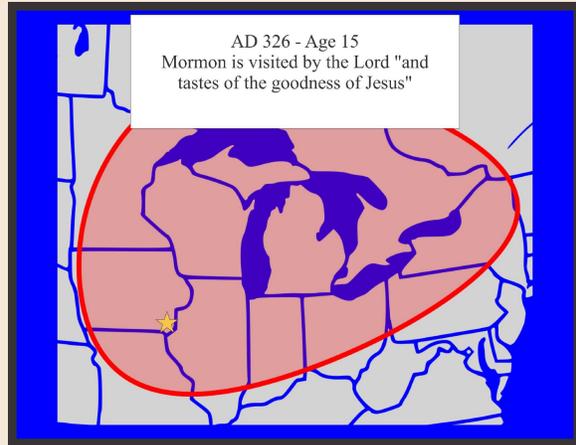


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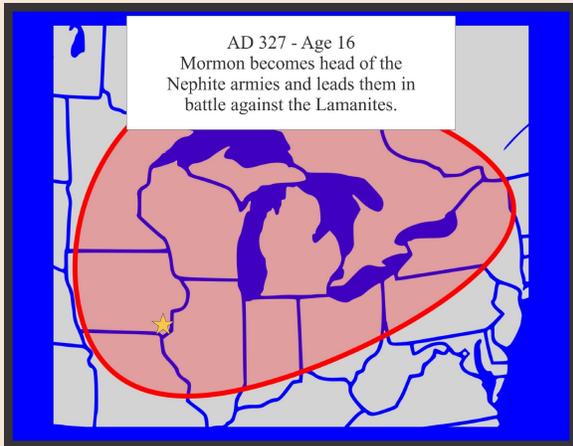


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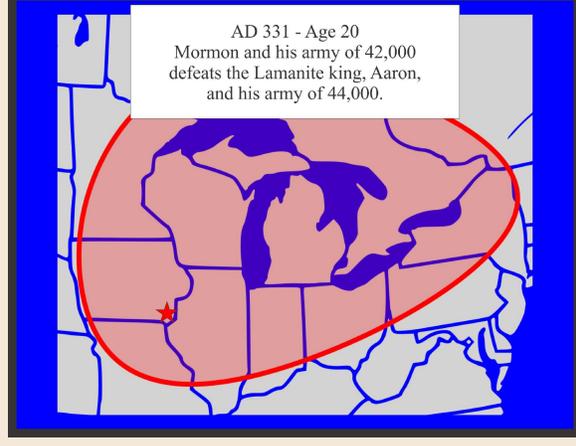


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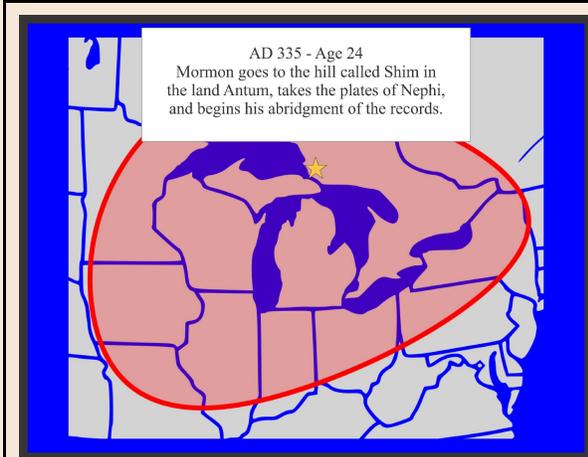


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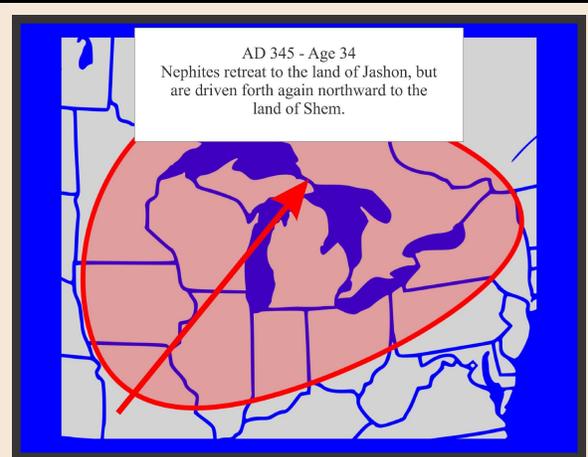


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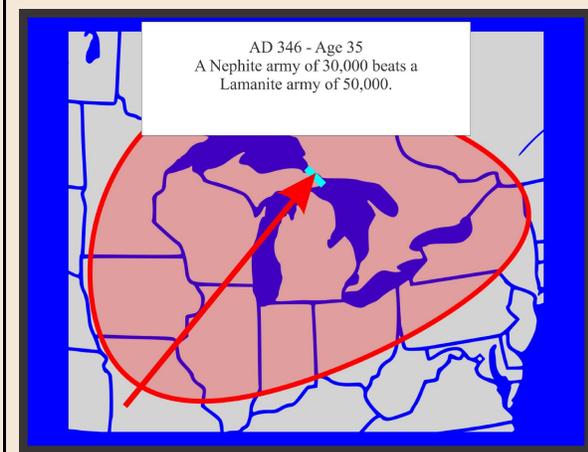


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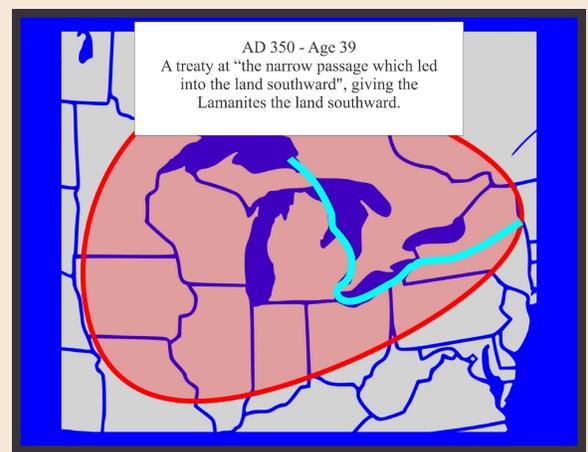


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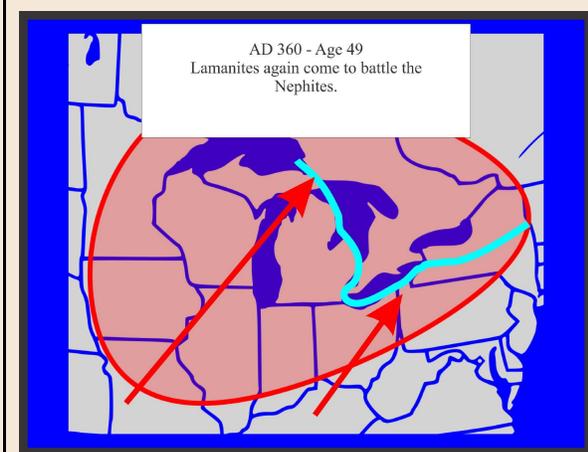


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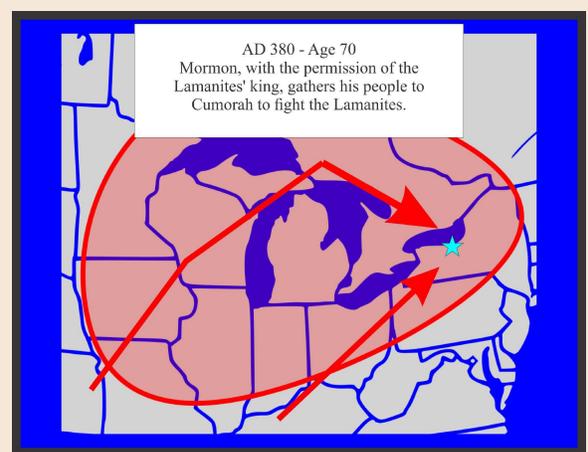


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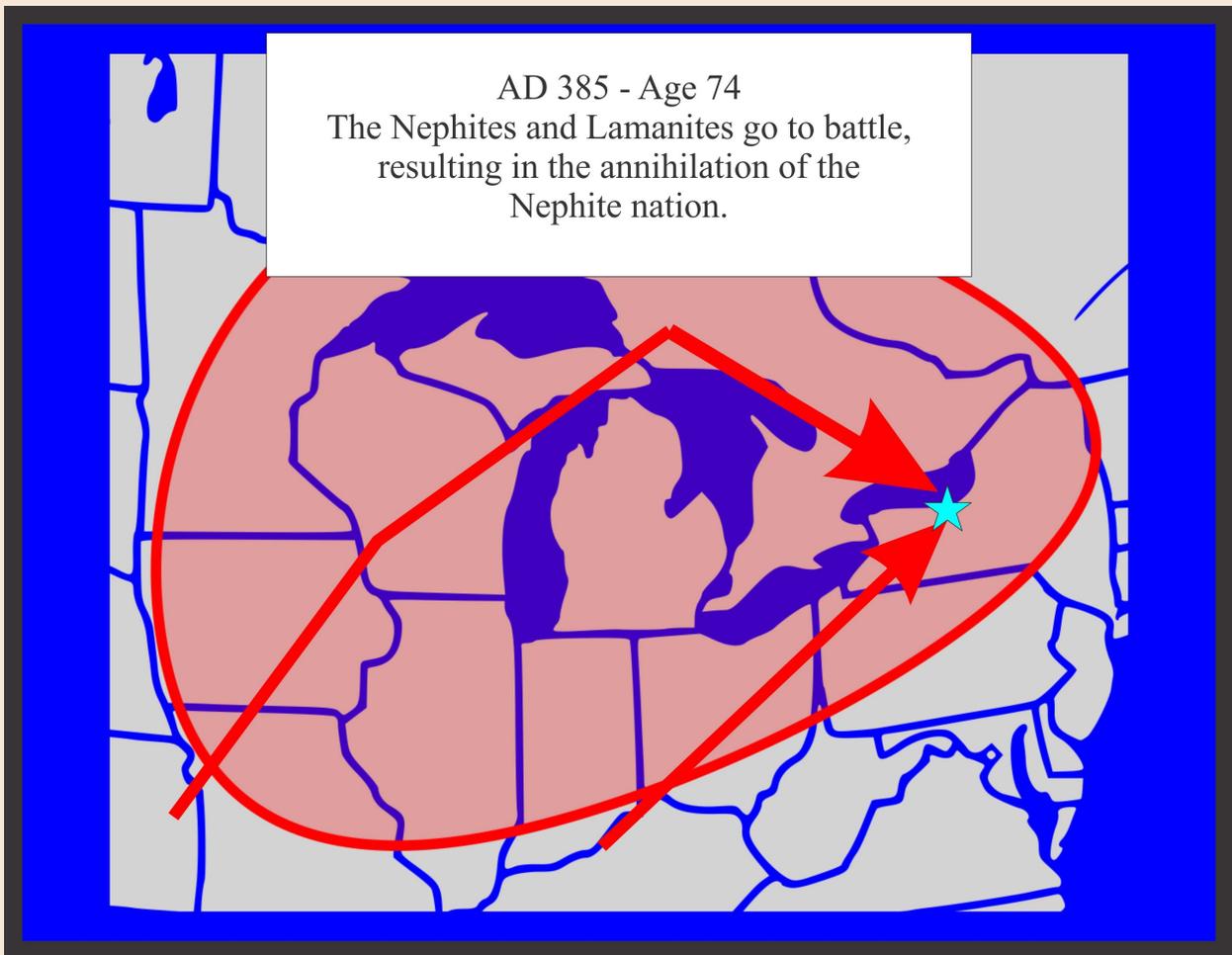


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