

Jacob vs Sherem the AntiChrist

Narrator	During the time Jacob was keeping the records of the people of Nephi and preaching the gospel, a man named Sherem also began preaching in the land. Sherem told the Nephites there would be no Christ, and lead away the hearts of many people. Knowing that Jacob had faith in Christ, Sherem sought out Jacob to shake him from the faith. (Jacob 7:1-5)
Sherem	Brother Jacob, I've been looking for you. I've wanted to talk with you a long time about the perversions you have been preaching to this people. You are perverting the Law of Moses and convincing others to do the same. You've tried to convert the Law of Moses into the worship of a being you say will come many hundred years in the future! This is blasphemy! No man can know the future! Ridiculous! (Jacob 7:6-8)
Narrator	Sherem believed that people who believed in Christ were not as intelligent as he. The Lord God poured his Spirit into Jacob's soul, so that Jacob could confound, or act against the expectations that Sherem had of the who believe in Christ.
Jacob	Do you deny Christ?
Sherem	Ha ha ha. You're trying to trick me. If there was a Christ, I would deny him, but since there isn't, I don't need to respond to that silly question. (Jacob 7:9)
Jacob	Do you believe the scriptures?
Sherem	<i>**eye roll**</i> Duh. (Jacob 7:10)
Jacob	Then you don't understand them, for the scriptures truly testify of Christ. None of the prophets has ever written or prophesied except they spoke of Christ. If the witness of the scriptures isn't enough, I can tell you that I, too, have felt the Holy Ghost, and I know that Christ will come. It has been made known to me by the power of the Holy Ghost that an atonement must be made or all mankind will be lost. (Jacob 7:11-12)
Sherem	If you know so much, prove it. Show me a sign by the power of this Holy Ghost. (Jacob 7:13)
Jacob	<i>**shocked expression**</i> Who am I to command the Great God of the Universe to do anything, much less "show you a sign"? You already know that what I'm speaking is true, but you will deny it because you are of the devil. But nevertheless, if God chooses to smite you now, let it be a sign unto you that God has power and that Christ will come. (Jacob 7:14)
Narrator	When Jacob spoke these words, the power of the Lord came upon Sherem and he collapsed to the earth. He was sick and had to be nursed for many days. Realizing he would soon die, Sherem asked that he people be brought together to hear his final words. (Jacob 7:15-16)
Sherem	Friends, I have committed a terrible sin. In fact, I am afraid that I may have committed the unpardonable sin because I have lied to God. I denied the Christ and said that I believed the scriptures when I did not. The scriptures truly testify of Christ. I have been deceived by the devil. Christ is truly coming, and the Holy Ghost is real. I will die very soon, and I am afraid that my case shall go badly at the judgment bar of God, but I confess my sins unto God. (Jacob 7:17-19)
Narrator	When Sherem had said these words, he could speak no more and died. The multitude were astonished exceedingly insomuch that the power of God came upon them and they fell to the earth. God had heard the prayers of Jacob and answered them. The people began searching the scriptures again and didn't listen to the teachings of Sherem any more. Peace and the love of God were again among the people. (Jacob 7: 20-23)
Jacob	Sweet! (Jacob 7: 22)