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Latter-Day Saints & Lamanites

2d Nephi 30:6 "Lamanites shall become a pure & delightsome people."

D&C 49:24 "Lamanites shall blossom as the rose."

One of the first missionary journeys to Delaware church never forgot the Lamanites not surprising a special relationship developed -. But, during the Exodus from western Illinois & SE Iowa to the Great Salt Lake Valley 1846-1853 they encountered tribes who did not know the Saints.

-Abandoning Nauvoo in 1846 under increasing mob harassment, the Saints f aced a legal trap in western Iowa territory,

- land belonged to Pottawattamie-Ottawa-Chippe-wa.

- No white has the right to enter that land except by permission of Superintendent of Indian Affairs. He resided in St. Louis Missouri, where no member of the church felt safe in going.

-Because of strong anti- Mormon feelings t hroughout the country, almost any pretext could be used to trap the LDS.

-As the Saints urged their ox-drawn covered wagons over the rolling Iowa prairie, they gave over much legal [...] repinent in SW Iowa, Known then as the Pottawattamie Purchase

-Federal authorities seemingly were unaware of the direction taken by the fleeing Saints.

-And the Saints were unaware of a

special conference scheduled in

Washington, D.C. between representatives

of the federal government and representatives

of the Pottawattamie-Ottawa-Chippewa.

-As the vanguard of the Saints wagon

trains approached SW Iowa in late May

the Pottawattamie-Ottawa-Chippewa

Federal Tribe signed an agreement

trading their lands to the U.S. Govt

in exchange for lands in NE Kansas

territory.

-When Saints arrived at the Mo. River,

they were welcomed by Indians.