

HUMAN INTELLIGENCE

In the Doctrine and Covenants Section 93 in verse 36 it states that the **glory** of God is **intelligence**. In another scripture reference in the pearl of great price, Moses 1:39, it says that God's **glory** is to bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man. Combining these two references it would appear that God's **glory** would be his children or as in the case of Abraham chapter 3 verse 21, His **glory** would be **intelligences**.

There are of course several definitions of the word **intelligence**. If we were to use it to mean knowledge or wisdom, then Abraham 3:18 would help us to understand that no one has more knowledge than the Savior, and in fact if we were to combine all of the **human intelligence** that we have, the Savior would still have more light, truth, **glory**, knowledge or **intelligence**. Notice the last sentence in verse 19. In section 130:18-19 we are taught that the knowledge and **intelligence** that we receive here can rise with us in the resurrection. The prophet Brigham Young said, "Knowledge or **intelligence** is progressive, here and hereafter, some have supposed that it would make but little difference with them whether they learned much or little, whether they attained to all the **intelligence** within their reach or not while they are in this world, believing that if they paid their tithing, went to their meetings said their prayers and performed those duties which were especially commanded, that it would be well with them. . . . But this is a mistaken idea, and will cause every soul to mourn who embraces or practices it. When that soul arrives in the world of resurrected bodies. . . they will realize, to their sorrow, that God required of them in this world not only obedience to his revealed will, but a searching after his purposes and plans."

The world says: "what you don't know can't hurt you." The Gospel says: "what you don't know can't help you, and can't save you." And thus we see, the vital importance of knowledge and **intelligence**. **Intelligence is the power of salvation.**

The word **intelligence** can also be used interchangeably with other scripture terms such as **intelligences**, obedience, light, truth, and others. For example if you replace the word **intelligence** with the word obedience, it will fit every scripture reference. When we reflect also on the word truth we notice in the scriptures truth always has a companion. By understanding the word **intelligence** or **intelligences** we come to better understand the need for a Savior and His grace. SEE chart below.

