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The Book of Enoch, or 1 Enoch, is an ancient religious work that was once a part of the Jewish and Christian canons. Enoch was the great-grandfather of Noah. The current known Book of Enoch contains a number of unique ideas on nephilim, angels falling from heaven, and an explanation on the need for the Great Flood. It also predicts the thousand-year reign of the Messiah. Scholars place different parts of the text as being written as early as 300 BC and the oldest parts around the first century AD. Thus, they claim this is a book that was added to over the years, just as many scholars state on the dates of much of the canonized Bible.

While this book of scripture has been rejected by the majority of modern Jewish and Christian denominations, earlier sections of the book were preserved among what is known as the Dead Sea Scrolls. In addition, it is regarded as canon by the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church and Eritrean Orthodox Tewahedo Church. This book of scripture was voted to be introduced to the Assembly of Saints of the Church of Jesus Christ in Christian Fellowship by the Council of Elders on January 5, 2019. It was then voted as scripture by the Saints April 6, 2019 at Conference.

This version of the Book of Enoch was taken from the 1917 edition translated by R.H. Charles. It has been slightly altered by David Ferriman, the First Elder of the Church of Jesus Christ in Christian Fellowship. These alterations include re-chaptering, re-versification, and being broken into the following seven sections:

- The Book of the Watchers (1–6)
- The Book of Parables of Enoch (7–13)
- The Book of Celestial Luminaries (14–21)
- The Book of Dreams and Visions (22–26)
- The Epistle of Enoch (27–33)
- Extract from the Prophecy of Enoch (34-38)
- Appendix to the Book of Enoch (39-40)

Additions to the text made by both R.H. Charles and David Ferriman are in italics. Larger additions to the text by David Ferriman were made per inspiration, however these types of additions are minor, and so this work should not be considered an inspired version like the Joseph Smith Jr. version of the Bible. In this edition, all of the Ethiopic version and the Greek version have been merged and may be read as one. When R.H. Charles could not put the two together, for whatever reason, David Ferriman prayerfully found a way to fit the pieces into one. For a clearer study on which parts of the records came from which texts, see R.H. Charles' original translation.

The current translation is freely available at cjccf.org/scriptures

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