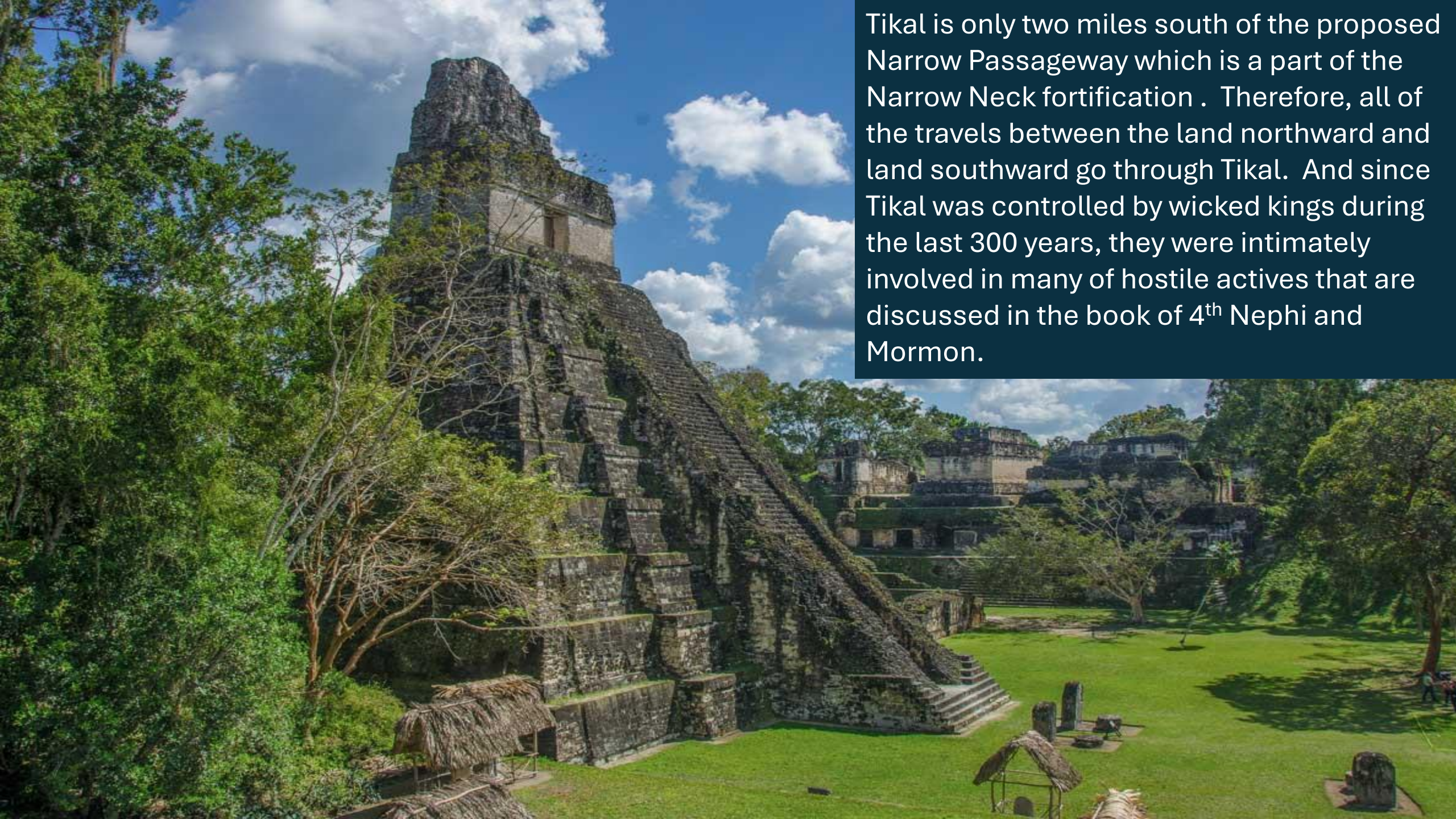


Tikal is only two miles south of the proposed Narrow Passageway which is a part of the Narrow Neck fortification . Therefore, all of the travels between the land northward and land southward go through Tikal. And since Tikal was controlled by wicked kings during the last 300 years, they were intimately involved in many of hostile actives that are discussed in the book of 4th Nephi and Mormon.



## Strong Church Members – No Kings:

There were no Maya kings in all Maya land during the first 100 years after Christ's visit to the Americas. However, this all changed shortly after members of the Church started to apostatize.

*4 Nephi 1:20 And he (Nephi) kept it (sacred records) eighty and four years, and there was still peace in the land, save it were a small part of the people who had revolted from the church and taken upon them the name of Lamanites; therefore; there began to be Lamanites again in the land.*

**Yax Ehb Xook** was the first king at Tikal, and it is estimated that he was made king around 90 AD. The date fits well with the time they had apostatized from the church. He was first in a dynasty that lasted until the Entrada or when Tikal was taken over by the military from Teotihuacan.

## Unen Behlam’s role as King of Tikal

Just prior to the important 325 AD date, **Unen Behlam** was made the king of Tikal. Tikal is just north of the Nephite city of Zarahemla (Ceibal) and during that time Zarahemla was under siege by the Lamanites and it would be under the direction of king **Unen Behlam**.  According to Harvard's study of Ceibal it was abandoned around 325 AD, which correlates with the date Zarahemla was abandoned.



# King Unen Behlam was likely involved in the 350 Treaty

The Lamanites caused that all the Nephites be moved in the land Northward. And they were there when the **Great Jaguar Paw** broke the treaty and commences aggressive war activities

*Mormon 2:28 And the three hundred and forty and ninth year had passed away. And in the three hundred and fiftieth year we made a treaty with the Lamanites and the robbers of Gadianton, in which we did get the lands of our inheritance divided.*

*Mormon 2:29 And the Lamanites did give unto us the land northward, yea, even to the narrow passage which led into the land southward. And we did give unto the Lamanites all the land southward.*



# Mormon's army "were swept off like dew fore the sun"

This scene could be similar to when the **Great Jaguar Paw** was preparing his army to attract Mormon and his men, they were  waiting for them just a few miles to the north by the fortification that is "day of a Nephite long".



# **Siyah K’ak**, the most famous person in all of Maya Land

He is not a Maya king, but he is possibly the most famous person in Maya history. He is known for his ability to conquer of assume control over vast areas of Maya land.  He is especially known for his war in northern Guatemala and his influence along the Belize border.  His military actions in this area had to be associated with the final Nephite war.  There were not other major war at that time other than the Nephite war



# **Yax Nuun Ahiin I**, also known as **Curl Snout**

**Curl Snout** was the king of Tikal at the time the final Nephite wars was reaching its last stages and was the proposed one that allowed Mormon to go to hill Cumorah.

> *Mormon 6:2 And I, Mormon, wrote an epistle unto the king of the Lamanites, and desired of him that he would grant unto us that we might gather together our people unto the land of Cumorah, by a hill which was called Cumorah.*

**Yax Deer-Antler Skull** is another king in Maya land that could not have been the king mentioned in Mormon 6. He is from Yaxchilan, a later Maya city that is along the Umacinta river. Therefore, **Curl Snout** had to be the king that granted Mormon's request to go the hill Cumorah



# Stella 31

Stella 31 is without the most famous steela in all of Maya land and is located at Tikal.

It tells of the beginnings of the final Nephite war and ties together three of the main personalities of that war:

- **Siyah K’ak**
- The **Great Jaguar Paw**
- **Yax Nuun Ahiin I**



# Timeline of the Tikal and Book of Mormon kings

