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Signs of the Times: Shining Bible Light on Current Events

The Lord has wrought many blessed judgments in the world this week which can be seen plainly by any who have been given eyes to see, ears to hear, and a heart to understand by the gracious hand of God. "Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they are a rebellious house." (Ezekiel 12:2) This entire world is a rebellious house! Therefore, the Lord, the God of Israel, is punishing the people of it! Let's view some of this week's judgments from the proper perspective:

This week, the Canadian prime minister declared that there is a second wave of coronavirus already underway throughout most of Canada. They have had almost triple the number of cases over the last 5 weeks with an average of 1,144 cases reported daily during the past seven days. The average was 380 in mid-August. The Canadian government fears that a second lockdown to handle the increase in coronavirus cases will further damage their fragile economy. Worldwide we are almost at 33 million cases and just over 990 thousand deaths. For this increase in covid-19 activity, and all other happenings, the glory should be given to God only. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31) The prime minister stated that "together we have the power to get this second wave under control," but he is wrong. The Lord has all the power because He is the only God. It is naïve to think that we have any power or control, when He predestinated all things even before making us. "See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand." (Deuteronomy 32:39)

The covid-19 pandemic has caused a major increase in violence and strife throughout the world including a surge in domestic violence. The victims stay with or near their abusers due to the virus and/or lack of food, shelter, childcare, and employment. It is shameful that people are incapable of having any sort of control over themselves. We are commanded by the God of heaven and earth to show love to each other as we do to ourselves. "If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:" (James 2:8) This command is especially important when it comes to the spouse that you are bound to in His name. "So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:" (Ephesians 5:28-29)

Woe to you who have hardened your hearts against the Lord and His word. The destruction of this world is imminent; you must believe on Christ, repent of your sins, and seek the Lord with humility. "For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up. Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of the LORD is against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant." (Zephaniah 2:4-5)