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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:

As the coronavirus pandemic continues to rage across the world, a report came out this week quoting Noam Chomsky as saying the “Coronavirus pandemic could have been prevented.” In this report Chomsky says “Nothing was done. The crisis was then made worse by the treachery of the political systems that didn't pay attention to the information that they were aware of. On December 31, China informed the World Health Organization (WHO) of pneumonia-like symptoms with unknown origins. A week later, some Chinese scientists identified a coronavirus. Furthermore, they sequenced it and provided information to the world. Did they do anything? Well yes, some did. China, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore began to do something, and they have sort of pretty much seemed to have contained at least the first surge of the crisis.” He goes on to say countries like the United Kingdom and the United States of America just ignored it. “It's worth recalling that there is a much greater horror approaching. We are racing to the edge of disaster, far worse than anything that's happened in human history.” said Chomsky. He is correct, something far worse is coming: the wrath of God; **“Rev 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.”** In this report there is no thought that God sent this. This world forgets who sent the pandemic, but we have not! We know who our Redeemer is. The question is, what are you going to do about the fact that the Lord our God sent the pandemic to this world? Are you going to ignore the people of the Lord or will you repent and flee from the wrath of God? **“Luke 3:7 Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?”**

In Israel, the ultra-Orthodox communities are refusing to submit to the stay at home order by the government of Israel. These communities make up 12 percent of Israel's population, but they make up 40 to 60 percent of coronavirus patients at four of the country's largest hospitals, according to AFP News. It is no shock they will not listen to them that have rule over them. Their history is filled with examples of not submitting; **“Jer 37:1 And king Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah. 2 But neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land, did hearken unto the words of the LORD, which he spake by the prophet Jeremiah.”** In this account, if the people of Judah obeyed the Lord their God, Jerusalem would not have been destroyed and this would not have happened; **“Jer 39:5 But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment upon him. 6 Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah. 7 Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him with chains, to carry him to Babylon.”** The Lord made a promise to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to not forsake their house, and He will call the seed of Jacob back to Him. When this happens, only a few will be saved. The ultra-Orthodox have created a religion according to their desires instead of submitting to the Lord their God and their only Hope. In order to have this Hope, they will have to admit they killed their Savior, their King, The King of the Jews. **“Mat 27:25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children. 26 Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified. 27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. 28 And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. 29 And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!”** Jesus will return, He is our only Hope, cling to the only true God.

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)**

Repent or Perish!